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KIDNAPPING OF ORGANIZER FOR ONE BIG UNION

Taken from Beinfait, Sask., and Put Over U. S. Border —Threat of Tar and Feathers if He Returns.

(Canadian Press.)

Winnipeg, July 19—The kidnapping of W. Christophers, "one big union" organizer, who three weeks ago was conveyed in an automobile from Bienfait, Sask., to the United States side of the border and told not to return on pain of being tarred and feathered, was condemned by a mass meeting here on Sunday afternoon under the auspices of the Winnipeg Labor Defence Committee.

A special committee was formed to "secure justice for the workers in the Bienfait district."

The business agent of the "one big union" reported that in Bienfait, Taylortown and other villages in the district he had been shadowed by mounted and provincial police and he had been forced to hold meetings in the bush. He asserted that things had come to a terrible pass when that was the state of affairs in a Canadian district. F. J. Dixon, M. L. A., was chairman of the meeting.

MAKE ATTEMPT TO FORM COMMUNIST PARTY IN ENGLAND

London, July 18—(A. P. Correspondence)—An attempt, will be made to form a Communist party in England on August 1, at a national convention of "left wing" socialist and industrial organizations. Socialist bodies of the extreme left have been holding "unity conferences" intermittently for several months with that end in view.

The invitations to the convention point out that three points are considered cardinal by the promoters, the dictatorship of the proletariat, the soviet system, and adhesion to the Third Internationale.

The direct promoters of the convention are the British Socialist party, the anti-war majority section of which was once the Social Democratic party; the Workers' Socialist Federation, composed of Miss Sylvia Pankhurst's followers; and the Communist Unity group of the Socialist Labor party. The Socialist Labor party has not signified its intention to participate in the convention.

A great deal of discussion has arisen over the attitude the powerful Labor party may take toward the convention. The British Socialist party is affiliated with the Labor party, but the Workers Socialist Federation and the Communist unity group have refused to be connected with it, and the Labor party itself so far has made no official pronouncement concerning the proposed convention.

There is a difference of opinion among the political groups as to whether the convention will succeed in forming a Communist party with a following sufficiently large to give it any considerable influence, but is is considered virtually certain that as a result of the convention there will be a big readjustment and regrouping of socialist bodies to correspond to irreconcileable differences of policy.

PRESIDENT AND CANDIDATES ARE IN AGREEMENT

Washington, July 19—(Associated Press)—Complete agreement on the League of Nations question and unity in their party's cause was declared yesterday by President Wilson and Governor Cox of Ohio, Democratic presidential candidate after a conference at the White House.

Meeting for the first time since the San Francisco conference, the president and the governor, together with Franklin D. Roosevelt, the vice-presidential nominee, spent an hour discussing the league and other campaign issues. All three afterwards issued formal statements voicing solidarity of purpose.

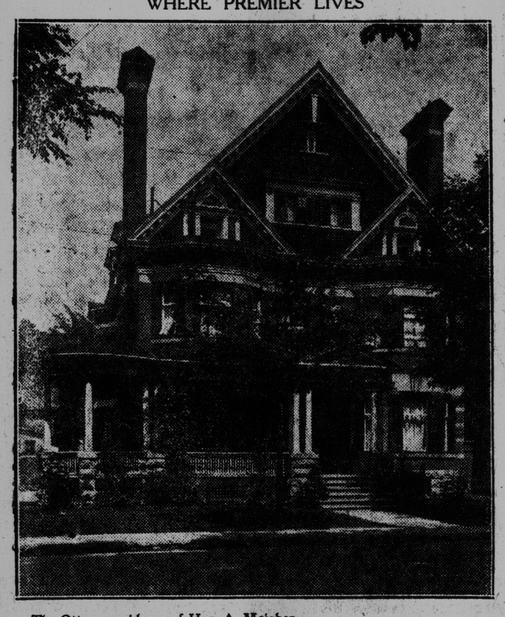
HARVESTERS TO BE SENT WEST

(Canadian Press.)

Ottawa, July 19—At an important conference of representatives of the passenger departments of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific railways, and the minister and officials of the department of labor on Saturday, the question of recruiting and transportation of labor for the western harvest was discussed.

Through the employment service a careful survey of the labor requirements for the harvest was made and it appeared that about 30,000 harvesters would be needed. It was agreed at the conference that harvest excursions will be despatched west from all the eastern provinces in order to distribute the burden of supplying this volume of lavor over all parts of the east as evenly as possible.

WHERE PREMIER LIVES



The Ottawa residence of Hon. A. Meighen.

NO DECISION ON COAL QUESTION

Joint Conference in Washington Discusses Transportation and Pre-Payment of Freight.

(Canadian Press.)

Washington, July 19—Movement of a winter stock of United States coal to Central Canada was considered here on Saturday by members of the board of railway commissioners of Canada and the United States interstate commerce commission. No decision was reached at the conference, which will be resumed today.

F. B. Carvell, chairman of the board of railway commissioners and Commissioner McLean are here representing the Canadian side of the question.

Discussion on Saturday was understood to have centered about plans to prevent transportation delays and the advisability of giving priority in movement to coal shipments.

Prepayment of freight charges on goods shipped into Canada from the United States was discussed also. Because of the adverse exchange rate, the Canadian representatives oppose payments in American money at the Canadian end of the haul, as is necessary on through rates. It is believed probable that efforts will be made to divide the through rate so that the money will be accepted in each country for the portion of the haul made there.

FARM HAND IS HEIR TO FORTUNE

Boylston Man to Get Share in Million Dollar Estate.

Boylston, Mass., July 19—David Nicoll Cant, a farm hand employed for nine years by F. C. Stark, has been identified by a Boston law firm as one of the heirs to a one million dollar estate in Dundee, Scotland, for whom search has been made for years. Mr. Cant will leave Boylston within a month to claim his inheritance.

A SPECTACULAR FIGHT WITH BEAR

Anyox, B. C., July 19—Putting wild west movie stars to shame, Alfonso Kobloff, chef de cuisine at Granby's mess house, is the local hero of a spectacular bear capture. That he is alive to tell the tale is a miracle.

Kobloff and a Chinese farmer were skirting the edges of Granby Bay, so the story goes, in a skiff looking for a rowboat which had gone adrift, when a big black bear emerged from a thicket and made his way toward the pair. The farmer retured a few paces, but Kobloff, a cowboy of renown in his day, jicked up a folded rope from the boat, dodged the bear in its rushes and neatly slipped a noose over its head.

Standing on hind legs, bruin started again toward his captor, who then deftly threw a couple of half hitches over the animal's extended forepaws.

Neither man had a gun. Kobloff delivered a hard blow on the bear's skull with a hammer, however, apparently killing him.

Pushing off in their boat the men essayed to tow the bear home. When a few rods from shore the bear revived and pulled a movie stunt of his own by attempting to crawl into the boat with two very unwilling passengers. The Chinese succeeded in holding him off with a boathook until Kobloff again brought the hammer into play. Bruin's hide was sent to Vancouver for mounting.

AIRPLANE LANDING PLACE ON HOTEL ASTOR ROOF

New York, July 19—An airplane landing place will be constructed upon the roof of the Hotel Astor.

LAKE PLACID INN IS PREY OF FLAMES

Some Canadians There and All Have Narrow Escapes — One Woman Seriously Hurt.

(Canadian Press.)

Lake Placid, N. Y., July 19—Fire destroyed the Lake Placid Inn at an early hour yesterday and Canadians and patrons from other places, had narrow escapes for their lives. About fifty-eight in all were at the hotel and only two or three of them managed to save any clothing.

One woman, believed to be Mrs. Post of New York, jumped from the third storey of the building, and was seriously injured. She was taken to Lake Saranac Hospital.

Mrs. Harry Robinson of Montreal, staying at the inn with her husband and two children, lost jewelry valued at $6,000.

LEAD CANADA

St. John Y. M. C. A. Boys Make Best Record in Leaders' Corps Examinations.

At the Y. M. C. A. centres throughout Canada last May Leaders' Corps examinations were written. These consisted of gymnasium tests and written papers in first aid, Hygiene and other subjects. Twenty-five local boys took the papers at the Y. M. C. A. here and all twenty-five were successful, constituting a record for Canada, for one association. Toronto had three associations and only thirty-five successful candidates while Montreal had three associations and only twenty-two successful contestants. It is not surprising, therefore, that the local Y. M. C. A. officials are gratified that St. John, with only one association should lead all Canada with the excellent record of twenty-five contestants all successful.

The results which have just been received follow: St. John seniors, second year leaders, Herbert Morton 91, Percy Long 91, Raymond Pendleton 91; first year senior corps, Basil Robertson 92, Roy Willett 90, Murray Nixon 90, Charles Jordan 89, Reginald Barbour 84, juniors, W. A. Noble 90, G. Stamers 87, W. C. Lee 86, R. A. Patterson 84, R. Hayes 83, W. Stewart 83, D. Robertson 81, C. Barker 81, R. Sproule 81, H. T. Williams 81, T. H. Robinson 79, E. P. Gunn 79, W. Curran 77, R. Langstroth 77, F. Haley 77, and H. Humphrey 75.

CZECHO-SLOVAK TROOPS DEPART FROM VALCARTIER

(Canadian Press.)

Quebec, July 19—The last of the Czecho-Slovaks troops stationed at Valcartier Camp, numbering about 3,500, entrained last evening for Halifax, whence they will sail for Europe.

Previous to their departure Brig. General Landry, G. O. C. M. D., Number 5, presented to them two flags of the dominion as souvenirs of their sojourn in Canada, and at the same time paid a fitting tribute to the fine soldierly and gentlemanly qualities demonstrated on all occasions by the Czechs.

THE BROOKLYN CLUB'S MASCOT IS DROWNED

Columbus, Ohio, July 19—Ben J. Lewis, 16, of Brooklyn, mascot of the Brooklyn National Baseball Club, was drowned in the swimming pool at an amusement park here yesterday.

Funeral of Eugenie.

Farmborough, Eng., July 19—With impressive ceremony the body of Empress Eugenie yesterday was drawn on a gun carriage through a troop lined, leafy avenue, to St. Michael's Abbey, to a resting place in a crypt of St. Michael's chapel beside the remains of Napoleon III. and the Prince Imperial.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "hold me—I got my tax bill this morning. I see red. I want to rush out and blow up city hall. They have raised my taxes again. It's something fierce. I don't do anything but pay taxes. I will not pay any more. I'll move out to Rothesay or go to the States. What are the people thinking about? Those men at city hall just sit there and vote money—and vote money—and the people have to pay the bills. Who said this was a free country? We're slaves. But this is the limit for me. I wont stand it. I'll show them there is one man who knows his rights. This town is going to the dogs—and I am going where they don't grab all you earn for taxes. My mind is made up."

"My!" said Hiram. "I hed no idee this hot spell 'ud take a-holt o' you like that. Open the winders. Git your coat off an' put a wet cloth on your head. You might git a sunstroke."

"The heat has nothing to do with it," stormed the reporter. "It's this tax bill."

"You're like Sile Jones," said Hiram. "The 'sessors raised his taxes fourteen cents last year, an' he swore he'd sell out an' move away. In prayer meetin' he prayed to be saved from the extortioners—an' they say when he done it he hed one eye open—glarin' at Bill Smith, one o' the 'sessors, that was settin' in front of him. Look-a-here, Mister—I've heerd you holler about bad streets, an' poor water service, an' forty things the town orto hev. Did you expect 'em to come down out o' the fog some night—or did you ixpect the mayor an' commissioners to pay the bill out o' their own pocket? I'll tell you what I think—an' I won't charge you a cent fer it—I think you get a pooty fair city council that's tryin' to make things better. If you want things better you got to pay fer 'em. If I lived here I'd be willin' to pay big taxes fer the next five years—so the town could be made what it orto be. You can't git somethin' fer nothin'—an' this town's been goin' along at the tail o' the hunt long enough. If you jist buck up the way you orto—you won't know the old town ten years from now. I'd pay up if I was you—an' set a good example—yes, sir."

REDS REPORTED TO HAVE TAKEN VILNA

Warsaw, July 19—Occupation of Lida, fifty miles south of Vilna, by the Bolsheviki after heavy fighting, is reported in a communication issued by the war office today.

In Southern Polesia the Bolsheviki drove out Polish mountaineers and occupied the village of Dabrowica.

London, July 19—The Bolsheviki, according to a communication issued at Moscow Sunday, are energetically pursuing the Poles southwest of Vilna. In the direction of Lida and Baranovitchi, the Bolsheviki say they have reached important points to the eastward of Baranovitchi.

HON. MR. WIGMORE'S FIRST STATEMENT

Trade of Canada Shows Improvement of $136,000,000.

Ottawa, July 19—A betterment of approximately $136,000,000 in the trade of the dominion for the first three months of the fiscal year as compared with the same period last year is shown in the first monthly trade statement authorized by Hon. R. W. Wigmore, newly installed minister of customs. The total is $591,087,460. Most of the increase is for June.

C. N. R. DOING BETTER IN THE RECEIPTS COLUMN

Toronto, July 19—Gross earnings of the Canadian National Railways for the week ended July 14 were $2,000,998, an increase of $341,910 over the corresponding week of last year. The gross from January 1 to date, this year, is $49,498,778, an increase of $4,640,419.

Alberta's Crop.

Calgary, July 19—The fifth Alberta crop report of the Calgary Herald states that reports from special correspondents all over Alberta report conditions highly satisfactory, in some cases better than for years.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteological service.

A disturbance which developed over Minnesota on Saturday has moved across the Great Lakes, causing heavy showers over the greater part of Ontario and Quebec.

In the western provinces the weather has been mostly fine and very warm.

Rain.

Maritime—Fresh to strong southeast to southwest winds, rain today and part of Tuesday.

Gulf and North Shore—Fresh to strong easterly winds, rain today and on Tuesday.

New England—Thunder storms this afternoon and tonight, followed by fair weather Tuesday. Cooler tonight, moderate southwest to northwest winds.

Lorries Bombed in Cork 60 or 70 Soldiers Injured

Civilians Throw 29 Bombs in Early Morning After Night of Serious Trouble—Street Fighting, Two Men Killed and Forty Wounded.

Cork, July 19—Two military lorries loaded with soldiers which passed through the streets of Cork at three o'clock this morning were attacked by civilians with bombs and blown up. Between sixty and seventy soldiers were injured. The civilians threw twenty-nine bombs.

This attack followed a night of terror into which the city was plunged as a result of street fighting in which Sinn Feiners and the military participated. Two men were killed and some forty were wounded in the gun fighting, which brought the total casualties well over the one hundred mark.

The Sinn Feiners used the guerilla tactics which had been outlined in the plan of campaign of the republican army.

Earlier Reports.

Cork, July 19—Several persons, including women, were wounded in street fighting last night, occasioned by excitement over the killing of John Burke, Belfast. Many shots were fired and four victims of bullets were rushed to hospitals in serious condition. Others of the wounded were taken home after first aid treatment. Armored cars and lorries filled with soldiers were called from the barracks and stationed at various points. Quiet has been restored.

Most of the casualties occurred in the northern part of the city. Burke was a former soldier. He was bayonetted by the military in Belfast.

Belfast Judge.

No arrests had been made in connection with the killing of Commissioner Smythe of the Royal Irish Constabulary in the county club at Cork. People passing the club at the time had no idea that a tragedy was being enacted inside. It was over in a few minutes. A moving picture show adjacent to the club was closing when the shooting occurred and the murderers easily mingled with the crowd and escaped.

Another account of the shooting of Commissioner Smythe says that on entering the smoking room one of the assassins exclaimed: "Where is he?" then turning to the victim he said: "Were not your orders to shoot at sight? Well, you are in sight, so prepare." Whereupon three shots were fired.

Smythe staggered and rushed toward his assailants, only to be met by another volley. He fell against the wall, and, seeing that their object had been accomplished the assassins left the room.

Inspector Craig was struck by a bullet which glanced off the wall. An inquest was to be held today if jurors could be obtained.

Mail Seized.

Belfast, July 19—By means of a wall hurriedly built across the tracks a gang of armed men yesterday stopped the West Clare mail train near Milltown-Malbay and abstracted official documents from the mail bags.

Cork, July 19—This city was in a state of terror last night as a result of street fighting which broke out following a bayonetting incident in the street in which a former soldier was killed.

About ten p. m. indiscriminate fire started in virtually all sections of the city. The casualties reported up to this morning were one dead and fourteen wounded.

The firing, which was participated in, it is said, by military patrols in motor lorries and armored cars, caused consternation. Frightened women and children hurried into side streets and doorways and knocked frantically at houses for admittance. Volunteer patrols hurried to their assistance, but several young girls and former soldiers already had been hit by flying bullets and were taken to the hospital.

The rush of civilians from the principal streets was followed by the volunteers, who warned the people to lie down while the volunteer guards watched the movements of the armored cars.

After midnight the streets were comparatively quiet, with the military patrolling them, but there was occasional firing up till two o'clock this morning.

MOBILIZATION IN SYRIA; FRENCH MAY TAKE DAMASCUS

More Serious Situation Developing Over Refusal to Accept French Mandate for Country.

London, July 19—A general mobilization in Syria has been ordered as a reply to the French ultimatum to King Feisal that he acquiesce in the French mandate for Syria, according to a despatch to the London Times from Jerusalem.

The despatch adds that if General Gouraud, French commander, does not receive a satisfactory reply by today, the French forthwith will occupy Aleppo and march on Damascus.

Another despatch to the Times from Cairo quotes a report received from Haiffa, Syria, dated last Friday, as saying the French had advanced in force to Rayak with armored cars, airplanes and artillery and that it was assumed their destination was Aleppo and Damascus.

The London Times last Saturday printed a report that the French had begun operations in Syria and were moving toward Aleppo and Damascus.

FOREST FIRE NEAR GAGETOWN TODAY

A telephone message from Gagetown to The Times at 2 o'clock this afternoon was to the effect that the forest fire which was raging so fiercely last night has subsided somewhat, though the village is not yet out of danger. At the time the message was received it was not raining there, though it was thought that rain was imminent. The fire has crept up to within about three-quarters of a mile from the village and is threatening the house of Paul Briggs at Swan Creek. A westerly wind is blowing with increasing velocity, though not bearing directly on the village. The entire male population of the village is out fighting the flames and great hopes are entertained that the rain will be sufficiently heavy to quench the fire.

The blaze was first noticed at Hersey Corner on Saturday afternoon and the alarm given. It did not become serious until yesterday afternoon when it began to fork out, separating into two branches making toward Pond Lake and Gagetown.

AUTO FROM HERE IS HELD UP AND LIQUOR SEIZED

Fredericton, July 19—Chief Inspector W. D. Wilson has been informed by SubInspector L. G. Moore of St. Stephen that, on information received from St. John, he stopped an automobile going from St. John to St. Stephen on Friday night and seized its cargo of forty-five gallons of alcohol and one case of liquor. Two Maine men were in the car. They were arraigned by Magistrate Vroom on Saturday and fined $450. The seized stuff is being forwarded to Fredericton. It is thought it was intended for St. Stephen and vicinity as the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus was to be at Calais on Saturday.

FLETCHER SUSPENDED.

St. Louis, July 19—John A. Heydler of the National League, who is in St. Louis on a tour of the circuit announced today that Arthur Fletcher, Philadelphia shortstop, had been indefinitely suspended for conduct during Saturday's Philadelphia-St. Louis game. Fletcher was ordered out of the game by Klem for disputing a ball called on Clemons in the sixth inning.

First Victory.

Montreal, July 19—In the Eastern Amateur Lacross Association on Saturday, Nationals scored their first victory of the season by defeating the Montreal Amateur A. A. team, 8 to 3. Only a handful of spectators turned out to witness the match.

MAY REDUCE THE SUGAR EXPORT TO UNITED STATES

(Canadian Press.)

Ottawa, July 19—Export of sugar from Canada to the United States is under close attention by the Board of Commerce and, according to a statement issued yesterday, steps are in contemplation which, without drastic interference with trade conditions, may be expected to reduce such transactions to a minimum.

CARPENTIER TO RETURN TO U. S. IN SEPTEMBER

Paris, July 19—Georges Carpentier was given a rousing reception such as is usually accorded popular royalties upon his arrival in Paris last night. Carpentier announced that he would return to the United States, sailing on La Lorraine on September 4.

SALE TO NEW YORKERS.

New York, July 19—(Canadian Press)—An important sale of salt cake has been made to New York interests by the salts and potash company of Kitchener, Ont., of which the president is A. J. Gough of Sellars-Gough, and the managing director W. G. Weichel, formerly M.P. for North Waterloo.

The company owns extensive salt deposits at Dana, Sask., a few miles from Saskatoon.

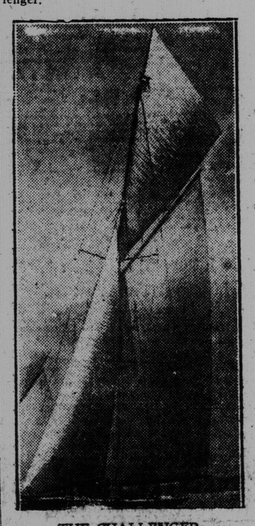
The railroad brotherhood executives are holding a grand council in Chicago in the wages award matter.

SPECULATE AS TO NEW SKIPPER OF THE SHAMROCK

Report Says It Will Be Captain Turner, Sailing Master

Sir Thomas Said to Favor Designer Nicholson — He and Friends Confident That Resolute Can Be Defeated.

Sandy Hook, N. J., July 19—Speculation above and below decks of the America's Cup racing fleet today centred upon the successor to Captain Wm. P. Burton, whom Sir Thomas Lipton plans to remove as skipper of the cup challenger.



THE CHALLENGER.

"Shamrock, the Fourth," challenger for the America's Cup.

Sir Thomas and Captain Burton have had several talks on the matter and Captain Burton still continues as skipper, though the announcement that he has been succeeded in command may be expected at any time.

Capt. Albert W. Turner, sailing master of the Lipton Cup sloop, who had the wheel of the Shamrock when she made some of her gains in Saturday's race, was being talked of today as Shamrock's new skipper. It was said that he would be given the wheel tomorrow and that Capt. Burton would sail on the challenger, though he would not handle the tiller, but this was not confirmed.

Sir Thomas had not said who would succeed Captain Burton, but has told his friends that he likes Designer Nicholson, Colonel Duncan F. Neil, Sir Thomas' representative on the Shamrock, and Captain Alfred Diaper, of the 23 metre Shamrock, are also under consideration, it is understood. No information could be obtained as to whether Mrs. Burton would continue as time keeper of the Shamrock. Sir Thomas Lipton, his friends and advisers have all confidence in the ability of the cup challenger to defeat the Resolute.

Sir Thomas' friends say that with a stout wind Shamrock should show her heels to the Resolute, which may have trouble with her top hamper and rigging in heavy weather, and that in light airs in which the defender shows to best advantage the Resolute cannot complete the course within the time limit of six hours.

The mainsail of the Resolute has been re-cut and will be bent on this afternoon. It was a new sail and showed signs of stretching after the wetting in last Thursday's race. The stay-sail of Shamrock has also been re-cut.

The race tomorrow will be over a thirty mile triangular course, ten miles to a leg. Saturday's triangular contest having been called off because the sloops could not finish, the rules provide that the race should be re-sailed on the next succeeding race day.

Jarvis the Man?

New York, July 19—According to the New York Times, Commodore Aemilius Jarvis of Toronto, Canadian yachtsman, is mentioned as a possible successor to Captain Burton as helmsman of the Shamrock IV.

The Newspaper says: "Mr. Jarvis is recognized in the United States as being an able man at the wheel, and the one of the group who is most conversant with American racing conditions."

On Board the Steam Yacht Victoria, July 19—(By wireless to the Associated Press)—Sir Thomas Lipton spent the morning conferring with his yachting experts but was not inclined to discuss at length the report that he had planned to replace Captain William P. Burton as skipper of the cup challenger. While saying that the report was "inaccurate" he declined to give any explanation. Sir Thomas let it be known, however, that he was not satisfied with the handling of the Shamrock by Captain Burton in last Saturday's race.

BURTON GETS ANOTHER CHANCE

LATEST.

Sandy Hook, N. J., July 19—Captain William P. Burton will be given another chance at the wheel of Shamrock IV.