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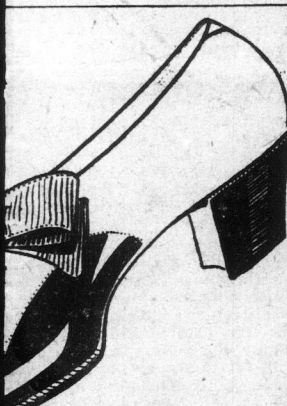
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Abdul Hamid Will Be Constitutional Monarch

SULTAN WILL RETAIN THE THRONE

Young Turks Will Grant Abdul Hamid the Sovereignty, But on Hard Terms—No More Private Garrison

SULTAN MUST PAY EXPENSES OF ARMY

Army of Investment Demands Sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Millions to Recoup the Nation for Losses

Constantinople, April 26.—The Sultan of Turkey will be allowed to remain upon the throne, but on condition that he give guarantees against relapse to absolutism.

The conditions are as follows: The walls of Yildiz Palace to be razed; The barracks at Yildiz, quartering about 20,000 men, under the immediate orders of the Sultan, also are to be razed.

In the future there will be stationed at the Palace a guard of one hundred men only, to be changed daily and supplied from the different regiments of the army. It is impossible for the Sultan to bribe them.

The Sultan must pay the expenses of the expedition from Saloniki from his private fortune, and furthermore, the Sultan, whose property is largely invested abroad, must make a gift to the nation of \$250,000,000, as a basis for

TURKISH CABINET RESIGNS EN MASSE

Constantinople, April 26.—Tewfik Pasha, the grand vizier, this morning transmitted to the Sultan the resignation of the entire cabinet, and communicated this fact to Parliament.

Rest One Hundred Men

In an interview today, Enver Bey, one of the military leaders of the Constitutionalists, said:

"Our satisfaction with our victory is overclouded by the loss we have sustained. About one hundred men have fallen, including eight officers. Major Mukhtar Bey was a victim of treachery. The officers of the Taksim barracks informed us that they would surrender. Mukhtar Bey, with a detachment of soldiers, went forward to receive the surrender, but as soon as he was within range, the mutineers opened fire, killing him and fifteen men, all of whom were pierced by many bullets. This cowardly and treacherous act induced me to adopt an energetic course.

"After fighting for hours, we reached the long-desired goal. The Yildiz garrison gave up its arms voluntarily. We have decided to leave the troops at their posts as they are now perfectly harmless. There will be no

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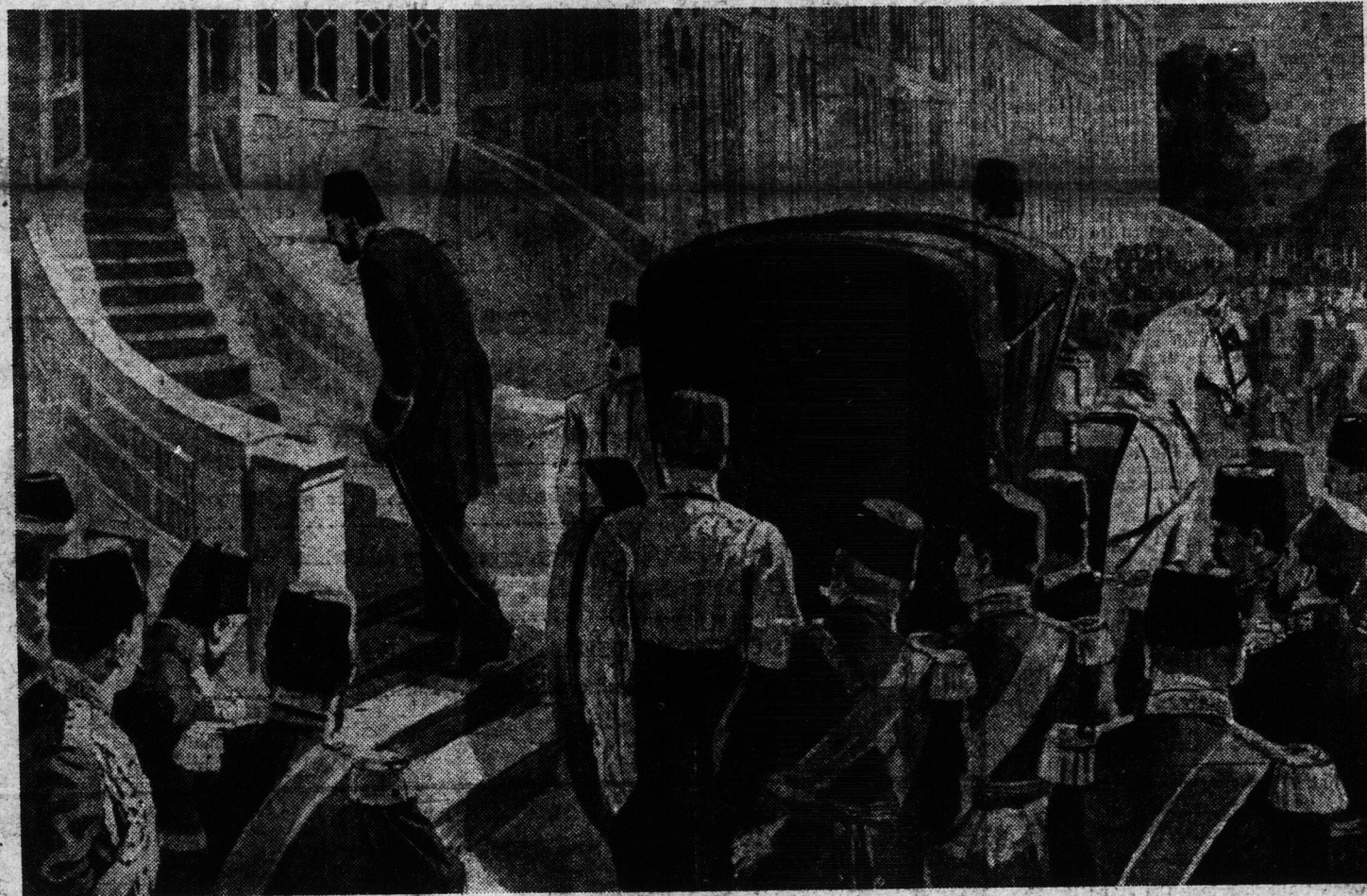
TO SIGNAL MARS FROM TEXAS TOWN

Texans Plan to Start Something But Professor Pickering Thinks There Would Be Nothing Doing at Other End

Fort Worth, Tex., April 26.—A movement has been started here to induce W. H. Pickering, professor of astronomy at Harvard University, to make attempts to signal the planet Mars from West Texas.

It is pointed out that the clarified atmosphere, level ground and large uninhabited condition of that section make conditions perfect for experiments.

Not for the Professor. Cambridge, Mass., April 26.—Professor W. H. Pickering, of the Astronomical Observatory at Harvard University, (Continued on Page Two)



ABDUL, THE DAMNED"

The Sultan of Turkey, Whom the Victorious Young Turks Will Allow to Retain His Throne, But Under Restrictions

CANNOT ANNUL RUSSIAN CORPS BILLION DOLLAR FANS WERE HURT WEDLOCK THERE HOLDS TO TASK COMBINE IS MOOTED IN CYCLE CRASH

Chief Justice in Supreme Court in Buffalo Establishes Striking Precedent in the Case of a Couple Wed in Canada

MARRIAGE VOWS MUST BE LIVED UP TO

Buffalo, N. Y., April 26.—The question of whether a marriage solemnized in Canada can be annulled in New York State was decided by the Justice while in special term of the Supreme Court today, when he handed down his decision in the case of Frank J. Donohue against Ada Donohue, in which he dismissed the plaintiff's case to annul the marriage which was performed in Ridgeway, Ontario, on August 8th last.

In arguing the case, the attorney for the defendant stated that the laws of Ontario should govern and Justice White's opinion upholds this contention, stating that the laws of New York State upon the question of annulling marriages have no effect. If the marriage had been performed in this State, the contract would have been voidable. Justice White stated that in which it is performed in valid here, he adds that the plaintiff created the conditions from which he now seeks to escape and was aided by the defendant, and that he must leave them as he found them. Costs are assessed to Donohue.

Miners Try to Reach Agreement

Scranton, Pa., April 26.—With the hope of coming to a final agreement, the executive boards of the three anthracite districts of the United States went into secret session at 10 a. m. today to consider the latest proposition for settling the differences and the operators.

CABINET DISCUSSES FIELDING'S ESTIMATE

Ottawa, April 26.—Saturday's cabinet meeting considered the supplementary estimates which Fielding will bring down shortly. The estimates will cover only other expenditures which in the best interests of the public cannot be avoided.

Continues March to Tabriz Despite Shah's Promises and Will Remain There Until Assured of Proper Government

HAS FOOD SUPPLY FOR THE EUROPEANS

St. Petersburg, April 26.—The Russian column under General Sparyk is continuing its march towards Tabriz regardless of the reported understanding between the Shah of Persia and the Nationalists.

The Foreign Office believes that it would be injudicious to recall these troops no matter how many promises the Shah may make, since the danger to Europeans in Tabriz would again become acute immediately this pressure was removed.

The expedition will be kept in Persia until the Shah's pledges to constitute a proper government are actually put into effect.

It is taking food supplies to relieve the immediate necessities of the people.

HEAVY SENTENCES FOR THESE CROOKS

Two Burglars Who Tried to Enter Policeman's House in Brooklyn Get 42 Years and 34 Years Respectively

New York, April 26.—Justice Dixie, in the County Court in Brooklyn today, continued his policy of severity on burglars. A week ago he sent a man down for 42 years for attempted burglary, and this afternoon he imposed a sentence of 34 years upon Meyer Krinick, the other partner in various burglaries. The two men, who were caught picking a lock of a policeman's apartment in Brooklyn on April 3rd, were also charged by the police with being the perpetrators of more than 100 burglaries in various parts of Brooklyn.

Harriman Instructs Leading Corporation Counsel in Many Cities to Devise Means of Merging Lines

TWELVE THOUSAND MILES OF RAILROAD

New York, April 26.—According to a report circulated in this city, E. H. Harriman has instructed leading corporation counsel in this and other cities to devise a means of merging the N. Y. C. lines into one \$1,000,000,000 corporation with a central management and one treasury.

If effected, this would operate more than 12,000 miles of road, including the New York Central, West Shore, Lake Shore and Michigan Southern, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis, Pittsburg and Lake Erie, Lake Erie and Western, Canada Southern and a number of others now controlled by or allied with the New York Central.

No details are said to have been decided upon yet, but it is understood that it is not proposed to include the Nickel Plate line.

Rider Going at Rate of a Mile a Minute Thrown Over Fence and Across Grand Stand But Escaped Injury

TWO WITNESSES HAD SKULLS FRACTURED

Los Angeles, Cal., April 26.—Thousands of persons at the Coliseum motor cycle track yesterday saw a rider going a mile a minute thrown over the fence and across the grand stand without suffering serious injury.

Two spectators, however, who were standing at the race, were probably fatally injured. The accident occurred in the five-mile event. Freddie Hyuyck of Chicago was leader, and on the upper turn collided with Earhart of Los Angeles, who shot up the track as Hyuyck was going by. Earhart was thrown high in the air.

His feet struck the head of Howard Piper of this city, and Piper's head bumped that of Charles Hory, of Hialeah, Kansas. The skulls of both men were fractured by the impact.

PARTIES GO JINGO TALK TO LOCATE NEW LINE IS POPPY COCK

Four Parties Leave to Make Preliminary Surveys for Canadian Northern From Edmonton to Kamloops.

TERMINUS NEAR MOUTH OF FRASER RIVER

Will Spend End of Year in Country South of Kamloops in Locating Line to Terminus Near New Westminster

Vancouver, B. C., April 26.—Forty Canadian Northern surveyors are outfitting in Vancouver and Kamloops today to start immediately north from Kamloops in four parties of ten each to make preliminary surveys from Edmonton.

Two parties from the latter place will also start immediately and work south. They expect to have the location work done by September and will spend the end of the year in the country south of Kamloops.

It is authoritatively stated that the Canadian Northern will take the south branch of the Fraser river from near New Westminster. From the latter place it will probably come in over the Northern Pacific or Great Northern tracks, making its main terminus on the Fraser River, between Westminster and the mouth of the river.

WESTERN GRADUATES OF QUEEN'S ANNOUNCED

Kingston, April 26.—Following are the names of the successful graduates of Queen's University from Western Canada.

Degree of M.A.—M. S. Colquhoun, Deloraine, Man. Degree of B.A.—H. J. Black, Edmonton; E. Nelson, Guesey, Sask; G. W. Shens, Grand Coulee, Sask; F. G. H. Warren, Moose Jaw, Sask; W. Saunders, Gladys, Alta.

Degree of B.S.C.—T. A. Brewster, Banff, Alta.; J. B. Salt, Vancouver. Civil Engineer (sanitary)—J. E. Carmichael, Strathcona, Alta. Degree of M.D. and Ch.M.—H. E. Chatham, Stettler, Alta.; J. C. Schillabeer, Regina, Sask.

MINISTER OF WORKS RETURNS FROM TRIP

Inspected the Government Work in Progress Around City of Vancouver

Hon. Theo. Taylor, minister of works, has returned to the city from a trip to the government work in progress around Vancouver. With Hon. Carter-Cotton he inspected the Point Grey townsite and visited Burnaby and North and South Vancouver.

He left on Thursday night and was accompanied by Hon. Dr. Young, the minister of education and the following morning he inspected the normal school. It is making good progress and will be ready for occupation by fall. The roof has been added and the work of installing the heating apparatus is under way.

Weston is Two Days Behind

Lincoln, Ill., April 26.—Edward Payson Weston, the pedestrian, was compelled by bad weather and by a temporary indisposition to rest here today and yesterday. He is now two days behind his original schedule. He left here this afternoon for Springfield.

Murderer Committed

Edmonton, April 26.—Barrett, the convict who murdered Deputy Warden Stedman, was given his preliminary hearing and committed for trial today. He reiterates that he is ill and that Stedman would not let him see his brother.

WEST MAY FINISH SEEDING THIS WEEK

Winnipeg, April 26.—Sunday ushered in a complete and welcome change of weather from the cold spell which checked seeding operations all last week throughout most of the spring wheat country and farmers are everywhere busy today with prospects if the weather holds that the bulk of the wheat seeding will be finished by the end of the present week. Alternating light frosts and thaws have brought the ground into first-class shape.

Canadian Member of British Parliament Visiting Montreal Declares War Talk Is Absurd

CANADA WOULD ERR IF SHE FOLLOWED LEAD

J. Allen Baker, M. P., Asserts Idea of Germany's Imminent Supremacy Is Fallacious—Scrap-Heap Ships

Montreal, April 26.—Mr. J. Allen Baker, M. P., for Finsbury in the British House of Commons, one of the Canadians now sitting in the Imperial Parliament, who is in this city, does not believe in the German invasion scare. It was he, in fact, who had prepared the resolution deprecating the heavy military and naval expenditure but, being sick, his seconder acceded to the request and the resolution was withdrawn.

Mr. Baker, in an interview today, expressed himself in the strongest terms against the advisability of the nation giving away to the exaggerated pretensions of those who are working up the German scare. He also admitted to see that Canada has been stampeded into a similar policy. It was, of course, very pretty, he said, to see Australia, New Zealand and Canada coming up one after the other and offering practical assistance to the mother country in case of war. But, he added, the imperial authorities had no real need of any such aid, as the present time, although he admitted that it might be an object lesson to Germany in showing to the Kaiser the practical side of imperial unity.

Mr. Baker said there could be no possible doubt as to the fallacy of the contention that Germany had been hiding away Dreadnoughts and that by the end of 1912 she could leave Great Britain away in the rear as regards naval superiority. It was true, he added, that Germany would have thirteen ships of the Dreadnought type in her navy at the end of 1912 if her present plans are carried out in their entirety, but it was contrary to the facts to endeavor to make people believe that Germany was making every advantage of it. Mr. Baker then spoke of the great mistake Canada would make if she were to be stampeded into making a large expenditure for naval and military purposes.

HONEY MOON WAS CUT SHORT BY ARREST

John Ness and His Young Bride Both From Seattle, Held in Vancouver on Charge of Stealing a Suit Case

Vancouver, B. C., April 26.—The honeymoon of John Ness and his young bride of Seattle was cut short this morning by his arrest on the charge of theft of a suit-case in an uptown rooming house. The accused stoutly denies the charge.

The case is an exceedingly pitiful one, for the couple, who are aged twenty-two and eighteen, respectively, had only eight dollars between them when arrested today.

In court Ness was asked if his wife could have stolen the suit-case, which was found in their room, and which Ness declared he had never seen before. He said he did not know, and added that he had known her but a short time. They were married two weeks ago. The bride's maiden name was Mamie Fletcher and her parents live in Seattle.