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AUSTRIA TRYING TO RAISE ARMY

Will Consist of Thirty Thousand Men

Conflict Between Provinces and Central Government Makes Soldiers' Oath Uncertain — Few Recruits Offering.

Vienna, April 19—(A. P. Correspondence)—Austria is trying to organize an army to succeed the Volkswehr under the provisions of the bill hurriedly passed during the panic that followed the German revolution. It is to be composed of 30,000 men. The treaty prohibits any aviation force.

The Socialistic elements fought for a workingmen's army with great powers vested in the soldiers' councillors, exceeding in parctice the authority of the officers themselves. They were unable to obtain all their demands but the soldiers' councillors were given a voice in the adjudication of complaints and in all disciplinary measures provided for in the military code.

The Conservatives, however, won their point in securing the allocation of recruiting in the provinces on a population basis and in provisions prohibiting political activity by the military forces.

These provincial units are to be garrisoned within the province itself and no man can be foisted upon a unit in a province in which he was not recruited without the consent of the province itself, and the men must be bona fide citizens of their province.

It is this provincial arrangement that the Socialist elements opposed most bitterly. They desired a purely national army and its recruitment as largely as possible from the working classes. On the other hand will be an army of peasant lads, and on the other of industrial classes from the manufacturing centres.

The contest between the provinces and the central government, or in other words between the Conservatives and the Socialists, is further illustrated in the curious provisions that not only is each provisincial government empowered to frame the service rules for its own contingent, but the soldier takes oath to uphold the laws of both the central government and those of his province. As there is much conflict in these it is not unlikely that a time will come when the army will not know just what it is to do.

In spite of the active efforts of the Socialists, particularly the workingmen's councils, to spur recruiting, a few men have applied for enlistment in Vienna or the other industrial centres while reports from the provinces are even more discouraging. The enlistment has been open for a month but only a very small fraction of the required 30,000 men have presented themselves.

ARBOR DAY SEES RETURN OF HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

A special programme was carried out in the High School yesterday afternoon in connection with Arbor Day celebration as follows:

High School orchestra.
Essay—"Athletics"—Benj. Cruss, IX.
Reading—Myrtle Whittaker, IX.
Banjo duet—Weldon Brown, Edward Tonsley, X.
Recitation—Francis Fritz, IX.
Essay—"Legends of Flowers"—Grace Parkinson, IX.
Vocal solo—Arthur Burns, X.
Reading—Mary Lewis, X.
Recitation—Leslie Cadell, IX.
High School orchestra.
Recitation—Muriel Hawker, IX.
Essay—"The Flowers' Party"—Harriet Roberts, IX.
Saxophone solo—Samuel Greene, XI.
Reading—Arthur Chaisson, XI.
Essay—"New Brunswick Maples"—Ida Bond, XII.
Chorus—Girls from grade XI.
Recitation—Hazel Thompson, X.
Vocal solo—Elsie Roop, IX.
Flag salutation with God Save the King.

The most pleasing feature of the programme was the reappearance of the school orchestra which, after an interruption of four years, has been revived by the High School Musical Club, and under the leadership of W. C. Bowden, its former instructor, will once again occupy a foremost place in the exercises of the school.

QUEBEC AND GOOD ROADS.

Horace J. Gagne left for Montreal this afternoon. He received a wire asking him to address the Canadian Club of Moncton, but had to be back in Montreal on Monday. After the Canadian Club luncheon last evening Fred A. Dykeman took Mr. Gagne and the president and secretary of the Club and M. E. Agar for a run in his car as far as Renforth. The visitor was grateful for the courtesy and spoke in very high terms of the fine stretch of road traversed. He says Quebec realizes the value of good roads, which not only enable farmers to operate on a more profitable scale but every year bring thousands of American motorists into the province. The people of the province cheerfully pay for what they now know to be a great provincial asset.

McTIGUE AND EGAN WERE HERE

Mike McTigue, champion middleweight boxer of Canada, passed through the city last evening en route to his home in New York. He expects to return to Halifax in a couple of weeks. Joe Egan, whom McTigue defeated on points on last Thursday evening, also passed through the city from Halifax en route to his home in Boston. The latter was accompanied by S. Kelly.

LARGE PURCHASE.

Archie Alcorn of Blackville, N. B., has recently purchased a block of 2,200 acres of timberland from William McLaggan, also of Blackville. The purchase price is said to have been $37,500.

"Nickey" Arnstein At Last In Hands of New York Police

Surrenders in District-Attorney's Office and Says He Was in Pittsburgh All During Search in Great Bond Theft Case.

New York, May 15—Jules W. (Nicky) Arnstein, said to be the "master mind" of New York's $5,000,000 bond theft plot, was arrested here today in the district-attorney's office, when he apeared there with his wife, Fanny Brice, an actress.

Arnstein told reporters he had been in Pittsburg all the time the police have been looking for him.

The elusive "Nicky" for whom Canadian and American police from coast to coast have been searching since last February, in finally fulfilling his oft repeated promise to surrender himself, appeared at the district-attorney's office bright and early.

Besides his wife, he was accompanied by Wm. J. Fallon, his lawyer. They seated themselves and patiently watched for attaches of the office to show up for the day's work.

Five minutes after their arrival Detective Edward Rayens, attached to the office, walked up to Arnstein and, by order of Assistant District-Attorney Rorke, placed him under arrest.

"Nicky" retained his reputation as a successful dodger of police until the last. Taken to Rayen's office, he described to newspaper men an entrance into the city undetected by the sleuths who have been pursuing him for months.

According to his story, he arrived at the Pennsylvania terminal from Pittsburg at nine o'clock this morning and went directly to Columbus Ave. and 9th street, where, by pre-arrangement, he was met by his wife in her automobile. He used her machine, he said, because the police had faithfully listed the number of his own car.

Finding Miss Brice and Mr. Fallon awaiting him, he entered the machine and drove down Fifth avenue with them in broad daylight.

Just to heighten the effect, "Nicky" ran into his police pursuers, thousands strong, forming for the anual New York police parade.

The Arnsetin car was held up for several minutes as the bluecoats fell in line and when he continued on his way to the criminal courts building "Nicky" passed mile after mile of policemen, reviewing them from his machine, as it were.

MORE PROPERTY IN IRELAND IS DESTROYED

Dublin, May 15—An official report issued last evening says that on Thursday night seventeen vacant police barracks and huts were raided and wholly or partially destroyed. Five post offices also were raided, the officials being held up by armed masked men. The money in the offices was taken and the instruments destroyed. Five revenue offices were raided and the income tax books removed. Notices were posted in various districts conveying threats against persons who fail to abstain from speaking to policemen.

In the raids on the revenue offices no documents relating to old age pensions were disturbed. Notices were left behind saying that nothing had been taken from them "except matter harmful to the Irish republic."

The Maynooth town hall, which was the property of the Duke of Leinster, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Bodies of constabulary and military reinforcements are arriving in the counties of Leitrim and Roscommon.

Dungarvan, Waterford, Ire., May 14—The post office here was raided today by eight armed and masked men, who stole all the letters addressed to the police.

Cookstown, Tyrone, May 14—An income tax collector was held up today by raiders, who took all of the official papers in his possession.

Spanagolden, Limerick, Ire., May 14—An unusused constabulary barracks was demolished last midnight.

FIRST THUNDER OF SEASON; WARMER WEATHER EXPECTED

An electric storm which broke over the city about one o'clock this afternoon was the first this spring. Although the morning was generally clear, the sky became rapidly overcast about noon and an hour later rain was falling.

Thunder storms usually preface warmer weather and this is in acocrd with the forecast received from the dominion observatory today, which predicts a general tendency towards higher temperatures.

LORD ATHOLSTAN IS RECEIVED BY THE KING

London, May 15—(Canadian Associated Press)—His Majesty King George received Lord Atholstan at Buckingham Palace yesterday.

HOME FROM ONTARIO.

Rev. David Hutchinson, D. D., returned home today from Toronto and Brantford. In the former city he was attending a conference of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, and in the latter city preaching jubilee sermons in the Park Baptist church, where he was pastor for fifteen years prior to coming to this city. Mrs. Hutchinson accompanied him.

Danish Strike Near Settlement.

Copenhagen, May 15—In two of the largest provincial towns in Denmark the strike of dock workers has been broken and men who have been idle are returning to work today. In this city the strike is also apparently near settlement as a result of the resolute attitude of volunteers who came forward in much greater number than required.

IN PARLIAMENT

Hon. Dr. Tolmie on Agricultural Matters

Ten Illustration Farms Planned for New Brunswick — Matters of Special Interest to the Maritime Provinces.

(Canadian Press.)

Ottawa, May 15—In the House of Commons yesterday the estimates of the agriculture department were taken up. Dr. Tolmie said the total agricultural wealth of Canada was estimated at $7,879,299,000. The minister dealt with the great need for conserving the fertility of the soil. There was a necessity for a vigorous and continued campaign of education on better methods of farming and the prime importance of live stock.

Alluding to immigration officials and agents, Dr. Tolmie put in a strong plea for actual workers and men of practical experience rather than what he called soap-box orators.

Dr. Tolmie said he was not in favor of any policy which proposed to tear down one industry in order to build up another. There was room for all. What we needed was more national thought and more business co-operation. We could not hope to talk ourselves out of debt. This was a time for energetic education, thrift and sound common sense. He urged that one of the best ways of strengthening the ties with the motherland and with other portions of the empire was to export to them the finest agricultural products that the country or even the world could produce. The possibilities in European markets were enormous.

O. Turgeon of Gloucester, said that he asked two years ago that a farm be established in Gloucester county, but the former minister of ogriculture had not granted the request. He renewed the request now.

The minister said ten illustration farms were planned for New Brunswick.

D. D. McKenzie and Hon. W. S. Fielding complimented the minister on the excellent outline of work which he had given the House. The former suggested that the speech should be printed in pamphlet form and distributed among farmers as widely as possible. Both members urged that attention be given to Nova Scotia in the matter of encouraging farmers there, in view of the fact that such a large percentage of the population produced nothing from the soil.

Hon. Mr. Mackenzie King asked that the government do something to secure cheaper freight rates on fertilizers.

A. T. Leger of Kent, N. B., asked for better definition of the functions of government officials who tested cows.

Mr. King asked for assistance towards securing cold storage facilities for fox food on Prince Edward Island, and D. D. McKenzie asked the fishermen of Nova Scotia be provided with cold storage for bait.

J. H. Sinclair of Antigonish received an assurance that the government would encourage the cattle shippers of the maritime provinces in the matter of proper storage facilities for their products. Mr. McKenzie was promised an investigation into the difficulty attending animal inspection on exports from North Sydney.

Items passed included $520,000 for the administration of the Meat and Canned Foods Act, $85,000 for the publications branch, $10,000 for the International Institute of Agriculture, $225,000 to enforce the Seed Act, $15,000 for the administration of Agricultural Instruction Act and $100,000 for improvements and alterations to experimental farm buildings.

F. S. Cahill of Pontiac made astatement regarding D. B. Hanna, president of the C. N. R., and the Canadian Northern town properties.

Third reading given bill to amend supreme court act.

The House refused to concur in senate amendments to maple products bill.

TRUCE ANNOUNCED IN ITALY'S LABOR TROUBLES.

Rome, May 15—Postal, telegraphic and telephonic services have been resumed, and all other strikes have been called off, either through satisfactory settlement or as the result of a sort of truce which will hold until a new government is formed.

HAIL STORM DOES DAMAGE IN SPAIN.

Madrid, May 15—Terrific hail storms, accompanied by thunder and lightning, have swept through Central Spain, washing away railway tracks, inundating low lands and greatly damaging olive and fruit crops.

WEAR SANDALS TO CUT PRICE OF SHOES.

Madrid, May 15—A movement by which the people would be urged to wear hempen sandals instead of leather shoes has been initiated here to compel shoe dealers to cut present excessive prices. The idea is spreading throughout the country.

As Hiram Sees It

"I see you hed one o' them Quebec Frenchmen down here yisterday," said Hiram to the Times reporter. "Kin he talk any English—or did you hev to git an interpreter?"

"Fortunately for the conversation," said the reporter, "he talks excellent English—as well as French. He can speak two languages to our one."

"Well," said Hiram, "I'm bound to say that's to the feller's credit—yes, sir. We got a man out to the Settlement that says he'd 'ave give a lot when he was in France if he'd been taught some French when he was in school. He picked up a lot of it over there an' it's mighty easy to kerry round. This Quebec feller didn't hev no horns—did he?"

"On the contrary," said the reporter, "he was a polished gentleman."

"I see," said Hiram, "he done some braggin' about Quebec."

"He did," said the reporter. "And Mr. Gagne said something that should interest you. He said they had doubled the area under crop in Quebec in three years. Not so bad for slow old Quebec. He said Americans were coming into his province and investing millions in new industries because it had the resources, the water powers and the stability of labor. He said Quebec has three thousand miles of travia or tar-macadam roads, over which thousands of American motorists come to spend money in the cities and towns, while the same good roads make the farmers prosperous."

"You don't say!" said Hiram. "Why, I thought Quebec was the last place on the face o' the airth that 'ud ever go ahead any. Seems to me I've heerd that said a good many times. Well, well, well! I guess we better wake up an' take a leaf out o' the book o' Quebec. I do remember now that Andy Macphail told us Quebec was the last citadel o' common sense, or somethin' like that. He gin'ally draws a long bow, but I guess after all we may find Quebec mighty handy some day if them Bolshies breaks out in Canady. Me an Hanner is goin' to take a run up to Quebec as soon as the roads in Noo Bruns'ick is as good as they be up there—yes, sir."

BOY STRUCK BY MOTOR TRUCK

Is Now in Hospital Where Injuries Are Said to Be Uncertain.

As a result of being struck by a motor truck in Charlotte street, near Queen square this morning, LeRoy Northrup, a schoolboy, twelve years old, residing at 150 Charlotte street, was taken to the General Public Hospital. This afternoon it was said that he was bruised about the head but the exact nature of the injuries was not ascertained. Passers-by said that the truck was numbered X 610. The youngster was carried into Dick's pharmacy, where first aid was rendered. His condition late this afternoon was said to be not quite so favorable as when he arrived at the hospital.

MANITOBA TELEPHONE WORKERS GET INCREASE

Winnipeg, May 15—Telephone workers in the employ of the Manitoba government will receive a minimum of 90½ cents an hour and maximum 97½ cents in a new wage agreement which has been ratified by the Manitoba government telephone commission and the independent brotherhood of telephone workers.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

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

Synopsis—The area of high pressure now covers the Great Lakes and middle states, while an extensive low area is developing in the far west. The weather is fine throughout the dominion with a general tendency toward higher temperature.

Fair and Warmer.

Maritime—Moderate winds, fair today and Sunday, a little higher temperature.

Gulf and North Shore—Light to moderate winds, fair today and on Sunday, becoming warmer.

New England—Fair and continued cold tonight with light frost on the mainland. Sunday fair and cool, moderate northwest winds, becoming variable.

Toronto, May 15—Temperatures:

Stations.	8 a. m.	Highest Yesterday.	Lowest During Night.
Prince Rupert	44	56	44
Victoria	44	56	44
Kamloops	44	70	42
Calgary	44	70	42
Edmonton	42	66	42
Prince Albert	44	66	38
Winnipeg	54	74	50
Sault Ste. Marie	42	52	20
Toronto	40	44	32
Kingston	48	54	35
Ottawa	46	60	38
Montreal	54	60	46
Quebec	48	56	36
St. John	44	54	38
Halifax	48	56	30
St. John's, Nfld.	34	48	30
Detroit	44	54	34
New York	50	52	44

Wilson Scored For His Criticism Of Work Of British Navy In War

H. S. Middlemiss Writes to the New York Tribune

Voices What Is Believed to Be Sentiment of Great Many Americans — President's "Lamentable Message" About British "Helpless to Point of Panic."

New York, May 15—A lengthy and well written reply to President Wilson's criticism of the British admiralty, which was made public on Wednesday by Secretary Daniels of the United States navy, is printed by the Tribune this morning. It is in the form of a letter to the editor by H. S. Middlemiss, and gives voice to what is believed to be the sentiment of a great many American citizens regarding the U. S. president's references to the British naval administration.

Mr. Middlemiss says that while the present is not an opportune time to indulge in inimical comparison of the achievements of the British and American fleets during the war, it cannot be amiss to indulge in reminiscences of what has taken place, "particularly when the president of the United States sits in silence while his secret cables are being published broadcast to the world, messages that can create only doubt as to the achievements of the silent watchers who kept from America's shores the flame of a burning world.

"In his lamentable message," continues the writer, "the president declares the British 'were helpless to the point of panic.' This he had the temerity to say less than ninety days after the United States had abandoned its policy of 'strict neutrality' and had assumed the task of self-preservation.

"This he said after three years' bitter fighting by the men of Great Britain and her Allies, for until then she had no 'associate.'"

The letter then reviews in detail the wonderful work accomplished by the British navy during the war.

"'Panic-stricken?'" quotes Mr. Middlemiss, "whatever else the admiralty and its fleet could be, it was not panic-stricken, even on the fourth of July, 1917, when a single regiment (the first of the American soldiers) marched through the streets of Paris."

The Tribune gives indirect endorsation to the views expressed by Mr. Middlemiss in the heading printed over his letter, which reads:

"That 'Panic-Stricken' Navy—Its Record of Calm and Efficient Service to the Allies Through Four Years and on Many Seas."

RUMOR SAYS THAT SMALL IS ALIVE

Missing Theatre Owner Believed Held for Ransom — Warrant Said to Be Sworn Out by Brother.

Toronto, May 15—The World this morning gives currency to a rumor that Ambrose J. Small, proprietor of certain theatre interests, who disappeared early in December last, is alive, but being held for ransom.

The paper declares that it is said that a warrant has been sworn out by Percy Small, a brother of the missing man, and that the police will execute this document when certain information comes into their possession.

It is also said, according to the World, that a late employe of the Grand Opera House has made an affidavit that a little while before Mr. Small's disappearance, he was asked to be one of a small party to kidnap Small and hold him for ransom.

QUEBEC FIREMAN HURLED TO DEATH AT FEET OF PRIEST

Quebec, May 15—Jos. Careau, motor ladder tender at No. 3 fire station here, was killed this morning while responding to an alarm. He attempted to prevent a collision with a farmer's wagon and the two rear wheels of the truck snapped in the car track and the man was dashed against an iron post. He fell at the very feet of a passing priest, who went to administer the last rites of the church but the man was already dead. The alarm was rung in for a small blaze.

DID NOT LIKE LIFE IN COUNTRY

In the police court this morning, Sitting Magistrate George A. Henderson, presiding, two juveniles, aged ten and fourteen, were tried in camera on a charge of lying and lurking in a barn off Victoria street and not being able to give a satisfactory account of themselves. Sergeant Rankine told of finding the lads. The father, a man from Norton, came to the city in search of his two little boys and took them home with him this afternoon. It seems that the family had moved from the city to Norton a short time ago, but the lads soon grew tired of life in the country and ran away from home on Tuesday. They started on their journey, a distance of thirty-three miles, but night overtook them and they had to sleep in a barn along the road and did not reach the city until Wednesday, and since that time had been wandering around the streets sleeping wherever they could find a place to lay their heads. The lads are two of a family of ten children.

One man charged with drunkenness pleaded guilty and was fined $8 or two months in jail.

SUBURBAN SERVICE ON VALLEY RAILWAY

Signatures are being received from suburban dwellers on Long Reach, and to one somewhat similar from farmers along the river to the following petition: "Mr. C. A. Hayes, Vice-President C. N. R., Toronto, Can.

"The following residents of St. John, whose families spent the summer along the Valley railway between Westfield and Oak Point, respectfully urge that a suitable passenger service be provided on this line. Such a service would enable the city people to go to their summer homes along the river in the late afternoon, and return in time for business in the morning. The same service is desired by the country people, who would thus be enabled to come to the city in the morning and return home in the evening. No other service would adequately serve the needs of suburban residents and country people. The river between Westfield and Oak Point is the most attractive for summer dwellers of any area within easy reach of the city. Even with a very slow and unsatisfactory steamer service, there is a large summer traffic. Each summer the camp meetings at Brown's Flats attract great numbers of people. The region is especially adapted to market gardening, orchards and the cultivation of small fruits. A splendid suburban traffic is capable of development within two or three years. Given the service the people will do the rest."

A copy of this petition has been placed in the office of the Canadian Cereal Co., Dock street, for any the canvasser may miss.

SOMETHING NEW IN A NOVELTY SHOWER

Something new in the way of a novelty shower was sprung on Clayton Teed, a popular member of the office staff of the Imperial Oil Company, yesterday afternoon. At the close of the day's activities, the other members of the staff paraded from their dressing rooms, armed with a varied collection of kitchen utensils in which articles of tin predominated and for a few moments the usual quiet of the office was filled with a din that would do justice to a prosperous boiler shop. One by one his fellow employes passed Mr. Teed's desk and deposited their offering toward the equipment of a new kitchen to be made ready early in June. Sincere wishes for the happiness of the future were extended.

FOR OLYMPIC FUND

Two contributions of $10 each were added to the Olympic prize fund at City Hall this morning. The donors were F. L. Potts and R. H. Dockrill.

DENIES RUMOR OF COUNTER REVOLUTION

Krassin Says Polish Offensive Has Rather United Russian People.

Copenhagen, May 15—Rumors of a counter-revolution in Moscow were emphatically denied yesterday by Gregory Krassin, Bolshevik minister of trade and commerce, in the course of an interview. He declared the Polish offensive was having a totally opposite effect, firmly knitting the Russian people and rallying them around the Soviets. This, he said, even applied to the opponents of communism, such as General Brussiloff, who was now actively leading Soviet forces.

M. Krassin asserted that Ukraine also was showing a more friendly attitude toward Russia since the bands of Petlura (General Petlura, the Ukrainian commander), had joined the Poles. He expressed the belief that the recent Moscow fire and explosions probably had been the work of Polish agents, but said no damage was caused to the military depots or the Moscow wireless station.

ENGLAND AND FRANCE READY FOR TOURISTS

New York, May 15—Conditions in England and France, so far as tourists are concerned, are almost normal, and both countries are adequately prepared to take care of visitors, it was declared here last night at a banquet given by the foreign press correspondents in honor of Major Evelyn Wrench, a member of the staff of Lord Northcliffe.

Major Wrench declared food was plentiful in England and even cheaper than in the United States, and that labor was fully occupied at wages far in advance of pre-war scales.

Maitre Casenave, French high commissioner to the United States, said the same for France.

SAY TURKISH SULTAN TO QUIT IN TREATY PROTEST

Constantinople, May 15—(Associated Press)—The Turkish Sultan will resign hs throne in protest against the severity of the peace treaty presented to Turkey by the allied powers, according to a rumor today which is credited in many quarters.

SOLDIER HUSBAND IS MISSING SINCE MAY 1.

Halifax, N. S., May 15—A young wife in New Aberdeen is distracted over the prolonged absence of her husband, Lawrence Leblanc, who has been missing from their home since May 1. He was employed in No. 9 colliery, and recently returned from overseas. The police are investigating.

SURRENDER OF CARRANZA IS LATEST WORD

Had Broken Through the Revolters' Line

Said to Have Given Himself Up With Some 800 of His Forces — Flores Holds Mazatlan — Fighting Was Severe.

(Associated Press.)

Vera Cruz, May 15—President Carranza, who with a force of loyal troops has been resisting rebel attacks near San Marios, state of Puebla, for the last five days, has broken through the rebel lines to the southeast and, accompanied by 1,000 men, has fled into the mountains between Puebla and Oaxaca.

Before abandoning their last positions the Carranza troops destroyed their trains and war material, which could not be carried with them.

General Murguia and General Urquiso, with some of the Carranza troops, are still fighting near San Marios for the purpose of retarding the pursuit of the fleeing president.

Washington, May 15—Despatches from the embassy say that Mexico City papers of May 12 stated that Generals Gonsales and Obregon had issued formal statements favoring Antonio Villareal for provisional president. Other candidates mentioned were Iglesias Caldron, a Mexico City lawyer; Juan Sanches Asconeo, acting secretary of foreign affairs, and General Jacinto Tevino, chief of staff for General Gonzales.

The American consul at Vera Cruz reported yesterday that he had arranged for departure of foreigners aboard Carranza's train, invested by revolutionary forces under a flag of truce. The British consul at Vera Cruz and two Americans are on the train.

Brownsville, Tex., May 15—Matamoros, opposite Brownsville, quietly surrendered to Mexican revolutionary forces yesterday. It was the last northern border point remaining in the hands of Carranza officials.

LATER.

SAY CARRANZA HAS SURRENDERED.

New York, May 15—General Carranza and 800 men have surrendered to the forces surrounding them in the Mexican mountains, according to word received here today by way of Nogales.

This information was given out by Manuel De La Pena, self-styled commercial attache in this city of the new Liberal Mexican government. He said he had received his information from Alfonso Alamada of the Mexican bureau of information at Nogales.

General Santiago also surrendered with General Carranza, according to word received by De La Pena. Troops under command of General Flores are in possession of the port of Mazatlan, on the west coast, according to the same source of information.

IS 65 YEARS IN FRATERNITY

Major John Darling Outdoes Masonic Record of Montreal Man.

In a despatch from Montreal recently it was stated that ex-Alderman Isaac Henry Stearns probably held the record of membership in the Masonic fraternity in Canada and a lodge was named in his honor at the celebration of his sixtieth anniversary as a Mason last evening. Major John Darling of Hammond River, Kings county, has been a member of Corinthian Lodge, No. 18, F. & A. M. at Hampton for sixty-five years, having been made a member in 1855. On June 11 he will celebrate his eighty-ninth birthday. In 1860 he was worshipful master of Corinthian Lodge and has taken an active part in the lodge until recently when his health became impaired.

N. S. POST OFFICE MATTER TO COME BEFORE HOUSE

Mr. Duff, Lunenburg, Will Ask for Correspondence Regarding Volger's Cove Office.

Ottawa, May 15—(Canadian Press)—The way in which post office matters are conducted at Voglers Cove, N. S., is to be the subject of a question to be asked in the commons on Monday by Wm. Duff of Lunenburg.

Mr. Duff will ask for a copy of all correspondence between the post office department at Ottawa, the post office inspector at Halifax and any persons at Voglers Cove.

FIRE DESTROYS LOT OF SPUDS

Three Warehouses Burned at Cary's Mills, Maine—$150,000 Loss.

Houlton, Maine, May 15—A loss estimated at $150,000 was caused by a fire that burned three potato warehouses, 700 barrels of potatoes, several tons of fertilizer and two box cars at Cary's Mills, four miles from here, last night.