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STRIKE LEADERS SEEK RELEASE OF LEADER

Understood Similar Cases will be Cited Before Judge Chandler to Induce Him to Set Etor Free.

TROOPS STILL ON DUTY.

Many Strikers Returning to Work, But Reported Not More Than 25 Per Cent. Now in Mills.

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 1.—Plans for securing the release of their leader, Joseph J. Etor, who is locked up waiting a hearing on a charge of being an accessory to the murder in connection with the death of Anna Lopez, occupied most of the attention of the executive committee of the textile strikers today.

Secret sessions of the executive committee of the strikers were held at their headquarters during the day and after an evening gathering, it was announced that active steps would be taken tomorrow to secure the release of Etor.

It is understood that they will endeavor to have Judge Chandler take the matter up again that they may cite to him what they claim are precedents for releasing the prisoner.

William D. Haywood, former president of the Western Federation of Miners, and William Walker, of New Bedford, both prominent officials in the industrial workers of the world, addressed meetings of the strike committee today and assured the members that the strike was not lacking in support.

Belfast Ire., Feb. 1.—Irish Presbyterians to the number of 25,000 made a demonstration here today against home rule, a dozen halls and churches in various parts of the city were filled with enthusiasts who voted resolutions declaring their undying determination not to obey the laws of any Irish parliament whose demands for money in the shape of taxes would be thrown into the fire.

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London, Feb. 1.—According to information from authoritative source at a meeting at Dover on Tuesday, as reported by the Paris newspaper, Ex-celso, between ex-king Manuel and the Portuguese pretender, Dom Miguel of Braganza, the latter voluntarily offered to help in every way in his power to restore Manuel to the Portuguese throne.

GREATER PROVISION FOR ST. JOHN HARBOR

Mr. Monk Reminds Former Minister that Estimates Never Before Included Similar Amount for Development of Winter Port—Sufficient Money on Hand to Buy Wharf Anytime Says Mr. Hazen.

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Feb. 1.—New Brunswick estimates for harbors and rivers were taken up in supply before the House adjourned today and after some discussion were passed.

Mr. Monk recalled that the work was not condemned or abandoned and he hoped to take it up later. He pointed out it was impossible for estimates of two governments to coincide exactly.

Mr. Hazen referring to the item which the Dominion government paid half for the construction of wharves in tidal waters with the local government.

FORECAST OF IRISH HOME RULE BILL

London, Feb. 2.—The Daily Chronicle published a forecast of the Home Rule bill. This provides that the Irish parliament shall have full control of customs and excise, and provision will be made for the continuance of complete free trade between England and Ireland.

VACANCY IN FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT GOES TO COL. LANDRY

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—The vacancy in the command of the fifth military division, Quebec, caused by the resignation of Lt. Col. Pelletier, has been filled by the appointment of Lt. Col. J. P. Landry, son of the speaker of the senate.

NEW BRUNSWICK MAN TO GOVERN YUKON

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—George Black, of Vancouver, has been appointed governor of the Yukon, the former governor, Alex. Henderson having resigned. The new governor is a native of Richibucto N. B. He was for years a resident of the Yukon and is thoroughly familiar with the country. He has lately practiced law in Vancouver.

OVER A MILLION LOST IN FIRE IN DARTMOUTH

Woodside Plant of Acadia Sugar Refinery Goes Up In Smoke Completely Destroying Buildings and Contents.

RAILWAY CARS WERE ALSO BURNED.

Special to The Standard.
Halifax, Feb. 1.—The Woodside plant in Dartmouth, the larger of the two establishments operated here by the Acadia Sugar Refining Co., was totally destroyed by fire tonight, with a loss of more than a million dollars.

MEXICAN TROUBLE MAKERS ARRANGE FOR FURTHER FIRE WORKS

New Orleans, La., Feb. 1.—An alliance has been effected between Emilio Zapata, the leader of the rebellion in southern Mexico, the Revistas of northern Mexico and leaders of last year's insurrectionary movement in lower California, according to apparently reliable information gleaned here by secret service agents.

GOVERNMENT HAS NO INTENTION OF HURRYING ITS WORK

Indianapolis, Feb. 1.—Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, was before the grand jury almost continuously today testifying in the investigation of the dynamite conspiracy as to the disposal of the \$225,000 McNamara defense fund.

DEMANDS ARE SO DIVERGENT IS NO CHANGE TO AGREE

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 1.—Reporting that their demands were so far apart that there was no chance of agreeing at this time, the joint conference of bituminous coal miners and operators, called to negotiate a wage scale to go into effect April 1, adjourned today.

OVER A MILLION MONTREAL BACK TO "TWENTY-THREE"

Five of Candidates on Citizens' Association Black List Returned.

LAVALLEE DEFEATS MARCIL

Giroux Back Again and Temperance Candidates Receive Severe Jolt—Hebrews Make Their Debut in City Hall.

Montreal, Feb. 1.—Alderman L. A. Lavallee, advocate, was today elected Mayor of Montreal by a large majority over Ald. George Marcil, real estate dealer.

CHILDREN ARE BADLY BITTEN BY A MAD DOG

Montreal, Feb. 1.—Four school children, two boys and two girls, were badly bitten by a mad dog at the corner of Eleanor and Ottawa streets.

PASSERBY RESCUES CHILD FROM INFURIATED ANIMAL IN NICK OF TIME—THREE COMPANIONS ALSO HURT—ANIMAL TO BE EXAMINED FOR SYMPTOMS OF RABIES.

Montreal, Feb. 1.—A passerby rescued a child from an infuriated animal in the nick of time—three companions also hurt—animal to be examined for symptoms of rabies.

SASKATCHEWAN TO WATCH INSURANCE BUSINESS CLOSELY

Regina, Sask., Feb. 1.—The government of Saskatchewan will establish an insurance department and place a superintendent in charge who will have complete supervision over all insurance companies doing business in the province.

EXTENSION OF PARCELS POST FORESHADOWED

Rural Free Delivery Must Also Go On Says Postmaster General Pelletier—Cheaper Cable Rates Necessary.

DUTIES OF DOMINION TO THE EMPIRE.

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Feb. 1.—Late this evening Mr. Pelletier, postmaster general, in Mr. Borden's cabinet, made an interesting statement with regard to parcels post and to cable rates.

BRAKEMAN CRUSHED BETWEEN TWO CARS WHEN TRAIN JOLTS

Special to The Standard.
Perth, Feb. 1.—Edward King, a brakeman on the southbound special freight which left Aroostook yesterday afternoon for McAdam, was crushed to death this evening about half past six o'clock, at Upper Kent.

GOVERNMENT IN CONTROL OF THE LISBON STRIKE

Lisbon, Feb. 1.—Apparently the government is master of the situation in the Lisbon district, where, owing to the gravity of the general strike a day or two ago, martial law was declared. It was officially announced tonight that there is not a single strike in Portugal, but this simply means that the strikers and their adherents have been overawed by the military display.

DARING BURGLARY IN CAMPBELLTON

Special to The Standard.
Campbellton, Feb. 1.—A burglary of unusual daring was committed today at W. H. Miller's store on Roseberry street. The clerk was at his dinner just next door and left the store door unlocked.

On further investigation he discovered the rear door open and tracks through the deep snow leading to the I. C. R. track. Further than this it was impossible to trace the thief, about \$15 was taken.

NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS DECREASED

Comptroller of Railway Statistics Reports Decrease in Fatalities of 120 on Canadian Lines—Level Crossings' Toll

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—Growth and development of Canadian railways and generally speaking their prosperity is indicated in a very complete and well prepared report by John Lambert Payne, comptroller of railway statistics tabled in the House today.

MILEAGE OF ELECTRIC LINES INCREASING.

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—The dividends paid in the last five years, published this year for the first time are as follows: 1907—\$12,760,435 or 2.17 per cent. on share capital; 1908—\$12,955,245 or 3.11 per cent.; 1909—\$19,250,125 or 2.97 per cent.; 1910—\$21,747,914 or 3.16 per cent.; 1911—\$30,577,740 or 4.08 per cent.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER AT HALIFAX ON THE EMPRESS OF IRELAND

Special to The Standard.
Halifax, Feb. 1.—Sir Charles Tupper and family were among the passengers who arrived by the steamer Empress of Ireland tonight. They went west on the mail special.

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