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CUTS DOWN SALE OF CANAL BONDS

Secretary Cortelyou Deems it Unnecessary to Issue Full Amount

Washington, Dec. 6.—Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou has decided to reduce by one half the issue of Panama canal bond allotments, which are thus limited to the amount of $25,000,000. The first best offers which will be accepted will be between 102 and 102½, ranging up to 106, the average being a figure slightly in excess of 103.

The amounts of bids from individuals and institutions which it has been possible to accept will, as heretofore, not be large. The remainder of the acceptances will be from national banks. The bids accepted have come from every section of the country, and are mostly in small lots.

Secretary Cortelyou further announced that the notices of acceptance will be prepared and mailed to the successful bidders with the least possible delay. The notices will state that payments for the bonds will be expected to be made at the treasury of the United States, or at some subtreasury, as indicated in the bid of the subscriber, within ten days' notice by subscriber. In cases where the subscriber has not indicated the place of payment the notice sent will include a request that the place of payment be immediately known to the secretary. All subscribers should await receipt of the notice from the department before taking any action respecting payment for the bonds.

The offering of Panama canal bonds was largely over-subscribed, but the improvement in business conditions following the announcement of recent measures of relief by the treasury department is regarded by the secretary as warranting him in limiting the issue at this time to half the amount, namely $25,000,000. This is almost exactly the amount of the disbursements from the general fund from the treasury that have been made during the year on Panama canal account. The allotments of the 3 per cent. certificates will not, the secretary said, go over $25,000,000. They are confined to national banks throughout the country, which were in a position to take out at once additional circulation, this being a measure designed to afford immediate relief, inasmuch as a considerable time would necessarily elapse before the Panama canal bonds could be put on the market.

President's Intentions.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Although several interviews have been published with recent White House callers, to the effect that President Roosevelt has declared now that he will not decline another nomination, it is known that the President has made no such political declaration. It is pointed out that should he contemplate such action, he would naturally not embody it in a casual conversation with a caller, to be repeated or withheld as the caller should elect, but would make it direct, and that he has not done.

STANDS BY JAPAN

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Speaks of "Alliance Between British Lion and Japanese Crown"

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Speaking at the Liberal nominating convention here, Sir Wilfrid Laurier characterized Mr. Borden as an opportunist in abetting the reintroduction of racial prejudices in British Columbia. He would say to British Columbia: "I do not share your sentiments. So long as I have the honor to be the adviser of his excellency, never will I do anything to endanger the alliance between the British lion and the Japanese crown. No man is worthy of calling himself a leader of a political party who was not ready to run the risk of losing the popularity of his party and to do his duty by his country."

A COSTLY COMMISSION

Inquiry Into Insurance Business Took Nice Sum Out of Dominion Treasury

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 6.—The accounts concerning the royal commission on life insurance in Canada, and what it cost, is set forth in the auditor general's report.

The total given is $85,887, Judge McTavish receiving $30 per day for 155 days, Commissioner Kent, $30 for 143 days, and Commissioner Langmuir a similar amount for 149 days; C. P. Shepley, chief counsel, was paid $25,000; W. N. Tilley, jr., counsel, $10,000; Secretary Ross, $1,700; Milan Dawson, actuary, $2,650; Nelson Butcher, stenographer, $6,112.

In addition the commissioners received living and travelling expenses. Judge McTavish received $947; Mr. Kent, $977; Mr. Langmuir, $598. Shepley's expense bill was $35, and Tilley's $1,395, and there was many miscellaneous accounts.

Korean Outbreak.

Tokio, Dec. 6.—A despatch from Seoul today says that following the departure of Prince Ito, the Japanese resident general in Korea, a few malcontents attempted an uprising and towards midnight on December 5 a crowd of Koreans attacked the branch police station. During the attack one Japanese was killed, one was injured and several Koreans were wounded. The outbreak was quickly quelled.

JAPANESE BELIEVE EXODUS WILL CEASE

Local Boarding House Keepers Dispose of Their Businesses in This City

The Japanese of Victoria are firmly of the opinion that the immigration of their countrymen to the Canadian Pacific slope is over. They state that the Japanese government before the Lemieux mission was a fact had taken means to prevent the exodus to Canada and America generally, and their action was not dictated entirely out of consideration for the feelings of the citizens of the Dominion or of the United States.

Japan is anxious to see Korea and a good portion of Manchuria populated with her citizens and while America offers greater inducements to the individual citizen of the landing of the Rising Sun, government influence is being exerted to prevent the migration to alien shores.

That the local Japanese are sincere in their belief is evidenced by the fact that within the last few weeks two of the Japanese boarding house keepers in Victoria have disposed of their businesses and are preparing to leave the city.

It has been rendered almost impossible for the Japanese laborer to obtain a passport to Canada, the United State or the Hawaiian islands. It must be proved to the satisfaction of the Japanese department of emigration that emigrants have interests in the country to which they wish to go, or relatives whom wish to join before passports are awarded and the executions to this rule are few.

While the belligerent little empire in the east insists on her right to be observed as a world power being recognized, it is not desirous of becoming embroiled either with the United States or with its ally's greatest dependency and this reason has had not a little to do with the course of policy pursued by the government at Tokio.

The migration of Japanese from the Hawaiian islands to Canada is of course beyond the jurisdiction of the mikado and his councillors. As long as the Japanese there find it more profitable to come to Canada that movement is likely to continue until such time as the Canadian government puts a check upon it.

FORCEFUL JAPAN

Hon. C. S. Hyman Says Nippon Will Monopolize Trade of Orient—China a Mere Vasal

London, Ont., Dec. 7.—For the first time since his return home, Mr. Hyman was permitted to see newspaper men yesterday.

He said he was feeling much better. For months he suffered from insomnia and it was really not until he started for home that it was possible for him to sleep as he formerly did. He said he would have to be very careful for some time yet.

"There will be no war between Japan and the United States," said Mr. Hyman. "Such war is unnecessary in Japan's interests, and Japan knows it. But just as surely as American policy of exclusion is carried out, just so surely Japan will secure all the trade in the Orient."

While in Japan, Mr. Hyman heard no talk of war, but he could not fail to notice that all Japanese have a "chip on the shoulder" air. They feel their power mightily. Japanese are not worrying about what Canada or the United States are doing, but are keeping track of every move being made.

When at Nagasaki he saw a vessel of 14,000 tons burden launched, which, in his opinion, excelled anything he had seen in the Orient. This will be an idea of how the Japanese are going ahead. China is merely a vassal of Japan. Heaven alone knows what will happen there in five years, for China cannot go along as she is. If the United States excludes Japanese, it will merely mean that when the act of exclusion is passed the United States and Canada will be passing an act to cut off the mighty trade of the east. Japan will not go to war with the United States or Canada. She will simply use her commercial position in the east to shut us out of our trade there.

This is a mighty problem. If we are shut out by Japan, what is to become of the Canadian Pacific line of boats. How will the Canadian Pacific and the Grand Trunk Pacific be effected?

Regarding his intentions, Mr. Hyman said he could say nothing, as yet all depends on his health.

Ottawa Sawmill Shut Down.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—J. R. Booth's sawmill, employing over 600 men, has been closed down. Other local lumber manufacturers have also discontinued operations for the season. In all nearly twelve hundred men are affected by the closing down of the mills. All mill owners agree that this year has been hardly as good as last, but in some mills an equal amount of lumber has been sawn.

Saskatchewan's Buildings.

Montreal, Dec. 6.—Hon. Walter Scott, who arrived here this evening on his way to the Mediterranean, announced that the committee of architects appointed to look into the design of the legislature buildings at Regina, will meet in Montreal in a few days. Prof. Nobbs is chairman of the committee, which will examine seven plans, one of which is submitted by Darling, of Toronto. The plans call for a building to cost a million and a half. One of the American competitors is Cass Gilbert, who designed the Minnesota house.

Clara Bloodgood's Suicide.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 6.—The body of Clara Bloodgood, the actress, who committed suicide by shooting herself in her room in the hotel Stafford last night, was sent to New York by her husband, Wm. Lambier, of New York, who reached Baltimore this morning. He declined to receive visitors, but through John Emerson, stage manager of the company, stated that the note left for him by his wife gave absolutely no clue as to the motive for her act. It referred to some business matters which she desired him to attend to for her in New York, and evidently had been laid aside for mailing.

Pettibone Jury Completed

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 6.—The jury to hear the case against Geo. H. Pettibone, charged with the murder of former Governor Steunenberg, was completed late this afternoon.

BRING BACK PRIZES FROM VANCOUVER

Local Poultrymen Make Good Showing at Terminal City Show

(From Sunday's Daily.)

Victoria exhibitors did remarkably well at the poultry show in Vancouver which was concluded yesterday. With twenty-eight birds they brought back thirty prizes, twenty-eight first, second or third prizes among them with two special prizes. The show was one of the best on the Pacific coast, the judging was extremely fair and the arrangements were perfect. The Vancouver fanciers have promised to bring over a large number of birds to the poultry show which will be held in this city January 14 to 18, and are confident of retrieving some of the laurels snatched from them on their own ground by the local exhibitors.

Elmer Dickson, of Oregon, judged the heavy breeds to the satisfaction of all, while Mr. Wilkinson, of Breckin, a recent arrival from the old country, judged the games, the bantams and the pigeons. The exhibit in the latter clas was especially good and was according to Mr. Wilkinson the best show of imported birds he has seen on this continent.

The Victoria birds were taken over by William Baylis, president of the Victoria Poultry association. The prizes taken by local men were as follows:

J. Woods: Buff Orpingtons—Cockrels, 1 and 3; pullets, 2, 3 and 4; special prize for Buff Orpington breeding pen.

H. D. Reid: Rosecomb Brown Leghorns, hens, 1 and 3; Buff Orpington, hens, 2 and 3; Black Orpingtons, hens, 2.

H. T. Kinkscote: Indian Runner Drake, 2 and 3; Indian Runner Duck, 2.

William Baylis: Partride Wyandotes, cockrel 1, pullet 1, hen 2; Black Sumatra Games, cock 1, cockrel 1, hen 1, pullet 1; Columbia Wyandotes, cockrel 2, pullet 2; Buff Wyandotes, cock 2, cockrel 3, pullet 2; Ring Necked Pheasants, 1 and 2 and special prize. Special prize for largest capon.

It is hoped that all members of the local poultry association will attend the meeting on Tuesday evening next to complete arrangements for the show to be held in this city.

HARBOR WORKS FOR FAR EASTERN PORTS

Millions Being Spent in Development of Several Ports of Japan

Millions of dollars are being expended in harbor works at Japanese ports despite the impoverished state of the nation. At Kobe the greatest works are under way, and pending their completion there is difficulty in handling the trade of the port, and local journals are pointing out that the handicap during the interregnum of seven years may drive business to rival ports. In this connection, the Japan Chronicle of Kobe, says:

"Not much has been heard about the new harbor works scheme for Moji, but the plans are completed for its construction, and although the scheme is not such an ambitious one as that for Kobe, it is likely to prove a formidable rival. The trade of Moji, both in imports and exports, has shown a steady increase during the past few years, though the value of its exports for the nine months ended September Kobe and Moji are paying a high as against 7,562,959 yen for Kobe, while Moji's imports amounted to 1,625,205 yen, compared with the of 13,622,579 yen for Kobe—the highest total in Japan. At present it looks as if the trade of Kobe may be interfered with, while that at Moji will continue as before during the building of the respective harbor works. The Moji undertaking is to be constructed at Okubo, a most suitable harbor. Like the new Kobe harbor, that at Moji will have four quays, the latter having, in addition, a spacious dry dock attached. But whereas these jetties at Moji will all be 600 feet in length those at Kobe range from 420 feet to 3,960 feet. These figures in themselves are sufficient to indicate the difference in the extent of the two schemes; but it is expected that Moji harbor, small by comparison as the figures suggest, will be in working order before that at Kobe; and the fact that the former is being built with foreign capital and under foreign superintendence lends interest to the progress and development of the two schemes. Both Kobe and Moji are paying a high price for their harbor works, and it remains to be seen which will prove the better investment for the municipalities concerned.

"The recent completion, after five or six years' work, of the Nagoya harbor and the opening of that busy port to foreign trade is a matter of no little concern to Kobe, and it is more than probable that some of the foreign shipping of Kobe will now find its way to the Aichi port. These matters are worth considering in view of the threatened disorganization of Kobe trade during the coming seven years—and with the Osaka "white elephant" so close at hand, it would never do to be too sanguine that the first stage of the Kobe harbor works will be completed within the time specified. We hope it may be so, and that in the meantime wise counsels will prevail in the settlement of the serious difficulty that has arisen. Certain it is that unless something effective is done Kobe will find it difficult to retain its present position as the leading port for import trade, and a check will have been given to the remarkable progress which has been shown of late."

Prohibition in Illinois

Chicago, Dec. 6.—Hundreds of saloons were closed in Illinois today, the local option voted at the last election in fourteen selections, becoming effective at midnight. Eight counties are now totally "dry" while six allow saloons in only a few precincts. The prohibition sentiment was also felt farther north in the state, where many towns voted out the saloons. In addition, a systematic campaign for the Sunday closing of saloons has been undertaken in Chicago and several score of saloonkeepers of the city have been arrested on evidence gathered by agents of the Chicago law and order league.

SUNDAY CLOSING IN KANSAS CITY

Actresses Haled to Court on Charge of Breaking Law

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 7.—Drastic measures were taken here today to enforce the Sunday closing law. The grand jury indicted 228 traveling actors and actresses and employees of local theatres charged with violating the Missouri law forbidding labor on Sunday. Of this number 141 were arrested and gave bond for $200 each, while the others evaded the officers and left the city without being apprehended.

The court room presented an unusual and almost ludicrous appearance when the persons arrested were lined up before Judge Wallace to give bonds. Many of the performers went directly from the matinees to the court house, and had not an opportunity to remove the paint from their faces. About one-third of them were women, many of them chorus girls.

The announcement had been made that the arrests would come at the conclusion of the matinee performances. When the deputy sheriffs learned that the actors and actresses at some of the houses were preparing to leave town, they concentrated their forces at the Century, a vaudeville burlesque house. When the performers made a rush together to leave the theatre the officers detained all they could, but many escaped.

A fight for Sunday closing has been waged by Judge Wallace for several weeks. He recently ordered theatrical managers to close on Sunday. They refused to do so, and secured a temporary injunction preventing his interference with their performances. The federal court dissolved this injunction, and Judge Wallace sought the indictment to force compliance. It is his intention to have the managers and players indicted each week and to arrest them and place them under individual bonds.

Sir Charles Tupper

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., and Lady Tupper, will leave for a visit for Vancouver on Sunday evening.

Suit Over Winnipeg Estate

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—In the suit of Denny V. D'Oust, the court allowed the appeal of the defendant, Dujardine. The daughter will thus lose her interest in the estate. D'Oust was a liveryman.

For Buckingham Rioters.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier subscribed $100 on behalf of the fund for the Buckingham rioters now in jail. The fund goes to the support of their families.

The Mount Temple.

Halifax, Dec. 6.—The C.P.R. steamship Mount Temple moved twenty feet nearer Ironbound island, as a result of yesterday's storm, and now lies in a safer and better position than before. It is considered now that there are good prospects that the steamship will be floated and brought into port.

Ore Production

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 7.—Following are the shipments and ore receipts from the southeastern districts of British Columbia for the past week and year to date: Shipments—Rossland, week, 7,090; year, 263,470. East of Columbia river, 3,453; 168,872. Boundary, none; 1,141,000. Total, 10,543; 1,568,342. Receipts—Trail, week, 5,407; year, 248,029. Marysville, 600; 29,400; Northport, 2,620, 94,060. Others, none; 1,110,079. Total, 8,677, 1,481,568.

To Build Fine Church

Wetaskiwin, Dec. 6.—The Roman Catholics of this place and vicinity purpose erecting a very handsome church to cost $60,000. The site is the fine one opposite the city hall, and the stone is already on the ground.

Northwest Appointments

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—Chief Justice Wetmore, of Saskatchewan, has been appointed administrator of the province during the absence on leave of Lieut.-Governor Forget. The justices of the supreme courts of Alberta and Saskatchewan have been appointed commissioners to administer the oath of allegiance to all office holders in the two provinces.

Secretary Taft at Berlin

Berlin, Dec. 6.—United States Secretary of War Taft and the members of his party arrived here tonight from Russia. He was met at the station by Ambassador Tower and Lieut.-Col. John P. Wisner, the American military attaches. In an interview the secretary declared that his journey was without political significance. Mr. Taft leaves here tonight for Hamburg and Cuxhaven, where he will embark tomorrow on the steamer President Grant for New York.

King Oscar's Condition.

Stockholm, Dec. 6.—A bulletin issued this evening by the physicians in attendance on King Oscar showed that no essential change in the monarch's condition had taken place during the day, except that his strength again was decreasing. His temperature was 99.86 and his pulse beat fairly strong, but irregular.

Russian Student Disorders.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 7.—Student disorders have again broken out at the university here for the first time in several months. Today police entered the university buildings and dispersed a meeting of students. Over one hundred arrests were made. This afternoon the streets surrounding the university were patrolled by mounted police, who dispersed little knots of students as they formed, occasionally making use of their whips.

Want Football in Brazil.

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 7.—The Cornell Association football team has received an offer to play in Brazil this summer. Manager Sarmento is in receipt of a proposition to play three games with teams in the league of the province of Saopaulo. Expenses for fifteen men and seventy-five per cent. of the gate receipts are guaranteed.

Sarmento, who is a native of Saopaulo, declares the team will bring between $20,000 and $30,000 back to Ithaca. He says that the interest stimulated by the prospect of a foreign trip will bring out strong material and help Cornell win the intercollegiate championship this spring.

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SEASON AT MONTREAL

Great Increase in Passenger Traffic, But Freight Business Not So Satisfactory

Montreal, Dec. 6.—The navigation season of 1907, at the port of Montreal may be regarded, on the whole, as having been satisfactory, especially in the passenger traffic and in the customs revenue, both of which show large increases over last year. For passenger traffic it was the greatest season in the history of the St. Lawrence. The C. P. R. Atlantic liners had an increase of 33 per cent. and the Allan line 25 per cent, while the Dominion line vessels carried 7,000 passengers more than the season of 1906. But on the whole the freight business, from a steamship standpoint, is declared to be not so satisfactory as in previous year, though the volume of traffic was larger. From the opening of navigation up to Dec. 1 the number of sea going vessels entering the port totalled 740, representing a tonnage of 1,924,475, as compared with 820 vessels and a tonnage of 1,973,223 in the like period of 1906, or a decrease of 80 vessels and 48,748 tons.

ROCKET GUNS ARRIVE

One for Banfield Creek Life Saving Station; Other is for Cloose

Two Lyle rocket guns with their equipment have been received by the marine department, one of which will be stationed at Banfield creek, for use in connection with the Banfield creek lifeboat, the crew for which was taken by the steamer Quadra which left here yesterday morning. The other rocket gun will be established at Clo-oose, where a surf lifeboat has been placed, although owing to the failure of the government to provide sufficient remuneration no crew can be secured for it. The intention is to provide a horse to carry the gun and equipment along the trail, which has been constructed for 22 miles by Mr. Macdonald and staff of men, who have been working there this summer and who will resume operations next summer.

A COAST LINE

Jebsen & Ostrander of Seattle, who are managing agents for M. Jebsen of Hamburg, are making arrangements, according to report, for a coast service between Seattle and San Francisco and Mexican and Central American ports, and also for traffic arrangements with Oriental coast lines which will enable them to pick up freight at all ports of this coast to be shipped from Seattle by the monthly freight line, which they recently organized, and for which the British steamers Sheila and Maori King were recently purchased.

FORMOSA HEAD-HUNTERS

Japanese Said to Have Invented a Scheme for Exterminating Them by Electricity

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—The extermination of the savage and murderous head-hunters by electrocution is the latest novelty introduced by the Japanese in Formosa. Walter Clifton, manager of a Formosa Mercantile Co., who arrived here yesterday on the Japanese liner America Maru, is the authority for the statement that to wipe out the tribe which is retarding the commercial development of Formosa heroic measures are being adopted by the Japanese.

"These head-hunters" said Clifton, "number about 100,000 and infest the entire east country of the island. All efforts to capture them have failed. They recently decoyed a party of the three hundred Chinese and Japanese into an ambush on the pretence of showing them some treasure, and killed all but three.

"In punishment for this treachery, the Japanese inaugurated a method of electrocution. Large bodies of troops were sent out, and now, when a company of head hunters is located the place is surrounded by a wire fence. The wires are charged with electricity. The soldiers begin to shoot and the savages stampede and then the wires get those that the bullets miss."

French Village Theatricals

The town usually receives two annual visits from a travelling theatrical company, and to satisfy the tastes of all the connoisseurs, three and sometimes four pieces are given in the course of a single evening. The night I was present the "Two Orphans," "Camille" and "The Bells of Corneville," were given one after another. It is therefore almost useless to say that the performance commenced at 6.30 and terminated somewhere between midnight and 2 a.m.

Half an hour before the curtain rose a small boy went through the town ringing a large dinner-bell, and as if by magic the streets began swarming with people, all bending their steps in the same direction.

The theatre itself is a curiosity. At one time it had been a grain store house, and even today it sadly resembles its original state. But if there is no carpet it is not missed, for the floors are covered with sawdust. And if the seats are so narrow that naturally robust person can sit in them, there are at least two boxes, which on gala occasions are occupied by the mayor and the underprefect respectively.

Once having paid for his seat "provincial" never leaves the theatre until the end of the performance, whether it interests him or not, and as he is not accustomed to go so long without refreshment, he carries a basket of provisions in his arm and refreshes himself between the acts. Certainly there are numerous persons who look down" on this "vulgar custom," but they belong to the "smart set" and sit in the orchestra stalls. Nevertheless even they carry boxes of bon-bons and candied fruits in a convenient pocket and pass them discretly to their friends and neighbors during the entire evening.

It would be impossible to describe the performance given by such a company under such conditions. Suffice to say that the actors are usually people who have chosen that profession for the lack of something better, or oftentimes to keep from starving. Many of them have heavy debts in almost every town, and it is not astonishing to see a creditor go to the theatre and pay for his seat in order publicly reclaim his money.—From "Sleepy Little City," by Francis Wilson Huard, in the November Scribner.

Strike Coal Seam

Among the visitors in the city yesterday were C. G. Bernard, of Vancouver and E. Hodgson, the former being secretary of the company which is at present exploiting the Oyster valley coal fields. Mr. Hodgson is in charge of the drilling operations. The company has struck a seam of coal at a depth of 2,000 feet, and it is expected that still heavier seams will be found below the present one.

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