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## COMPLETED ACTION OF MINISTER OF MILITIA

Sir Ian Hamilton Warmly Praised Method of Training Soldiers.

BELIEVES RED COAT BINDS EAST TO WEST.

Imperial Inspector General of Troops Pleased with Canadian Army—Big Party Visited Western Instruction Camps and Cities.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, July 4.—General Sir Ian Hamilton, inspector general of the imperial forces, and Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia, returned to Ottawa tonight from their trip to the west, inspecting all the camps and regiments they went through to the coast. Sir Ian would not comment upon the military fitness of the militiamen, as that will be the subject of a special report before his return to England on the 24th. He made, however, some interesting remarks on the western country.

"It is essentially a place for old soldiers and young women," he said, "and I am amazed at the growth and progress everywhere."

"I believe that the red coat is binding the east and the west as much as ever. It is the prodigious efforts of the Grand Trunk, the Canadian Pacific and the Canadian Northern. The common interest between the eastern and western soldiers is due to a common love and respect to the British flag and institutions."

Sir Ian praised highly the spirit of the western soldier and commended the action of the Minister of Militia in acquiring new large areas for training and manoeuvring purposes. Last year such areas were taken a hundred years ago by Great Britain, he said, and would now possess the thousands of acres she so badly needs. He was particularly pleased with his reception at the Sevel Camp at Winnipeg where the Highlanders were camped.

The general appreciated the action of the Canadian Pacific in employing so many old soldiers as policemen at their stations in the west. He met many a South African, and stated that in no case did he hear a word of regret about coming to Canada.

Sir Ian goes tonight to St. Bonaparte, the country home of Sir Rodolph Forster, where the 6th regiment is now being entertained. After inspecting the corps he will go with Col. Hughes to the lower provinces.

The Minister of Militia referred to the divergent races and creeds whom the general had met in the Canadian militia, instancing French, Germans, Americans, Galleys, Mormons and half breeds. All, he said, shared in a common loyalty to the British flag. The Minister observed a keen spirit of work among the soldiers and stated that the day was past when the annual training was a period of idleness.

"The small percentage of the bum element has been eliminated or straightened up," said Col. Hughes, "and I did not hear a word of complaint, but everywhere commendation over the absence of liquor. The men in camp do not want it."

"There is no need of compulsory service in Canada as the people have been educated to voluntary military training. There is, however, a need of more and better trained officers and to meet that need in part we are establishing a new scheme of unitary training corps. Another need is more clothing and equipment in case of emergency. The militia is growing in popularity as is evidenced by the fact that 72,500 over the present establishment had applied to be formed into corps. When I was in Victoria we formed a new Highland regiment on the spot. Upwards of 16,000 are being trained this year and the strength of our militia forces is now 78,000, apart from 35,000 cadets. We intend to secure larger training areas for Toronto and Western Ontario."

The Minister of Militia remarked an intensely British spirit in the West where the Americans are becoming the best of British subjects.

"The best defence scheme for Canada on land," he said, "is a million and a half men trained to shoot straight. Then we need have no fear of the invader."

Brigadier General Ellison, Major Madocks, A. D. C., Col. Victor Williams, Adj. General, Lieut. John Bassett, A. D. C., and Lieut. Stithers, the English and Canadian staffs, also returned to the capital tonight.

## FRENCHMEN MAY RUN THEIR OWN HOTELS

Paris, July 4.—A new hotel licensing bill, giving French hotel proprietors special long credit borrowing facilities, was adopted by the French Senate today.

Senator General Auguste Mercier said the bill would permit Frenchmen to compete in the hotel industry in France, of which 80 per cent. was now in the hands of foreigners.

## GIVES UP STAGE TO WED A PRETTY SCHOOL GIRL



The wedding of Miss Lella Wilson Hodgins, a pretty Central High School girl, of Chevy Chase, D. C., and member of an old Washington family, and Frederick Edwin Hand, which took place secretly some time ago, has become public.

Mr. Hand was leading man for stock companies. Mrs. Hand, who is eighteen years old and pretty, and her husband had been sweethearts since childhood. There was an intermission in their love affair which covered a period of a couple of years, however, while he was on the stage.

As soon as the bridegroom definitely decided to leave the stage the marriage was agreed upon.

## AUTO RACERS MEET DEATH IN BIG RACE

Harry Knight and His Mechanician Killed at Columbus, Ohio.

THOUSANDS SAW FEARFUL CRASH.

Knight Was Driving at 70 Miles an Hour When Tire Blew—World's Record Broken Despite Fatality.

Columbus, Ohio, July 4.—Harry C. Knight, of Indianapolis, known as the "Hero of the Indianapolis Speedway," was almost instantly killed and his mechanician, named McCallister, a native of Houston, Texas, died at the hospital tonight from a fracture of the skull sustained this afternoon when Knight's car, which was running at seventy miles an hour when the accident occurred, struck the side of the grandstand and was hurled into the air.

Johnny Jenkins, of Springfield, Ohio, was following Knight at a short distance, and according to some of the witnesses, ran over Knight's body, which had fallen to the track. Jenkins declared he ran over something, but does not know whether it was a body or part of a machine.

Knight's head was badly mangled and the top torn off. His legs were driven into his arm pits, and the remainder of the body badly mangled. When the tire blew the car turned over twice and landed in an upright position. McCallister was thrown out at the first turn and suffered a fractured skull. Knight was pinned and mangled under his steering wheel, but fell out just as the car finally righted. He died almost immediately after assistance reached his side.

Ralph De Palma, who was following close on the heels of Knight and Jenkins, was running at a high rate of speed, but managed to shave by the wrecked car without smashing into it.

Thousands Saw Accident. The accident occurred immediately in front of the grandstand and was witnessed by thousands of spectators. Although Knight gave his residence as Indianapolis, his parents live at Jonesboro, Ind., near Marion. He was 23 years old. He gained the title of "Hero of the Indianapolis Speedway" seven years ago, when he ran into a brick wall in preference to running down a driver who had been thrown from his car to the track. Just previous to the time he had started

## MRS. OLIVER GELBERT SEES MAN WITH LIGHT IN MILL; FIRE SPEEDILY FOLLOWS

Old Maynes & Riley Grist Mill Building on City Road Damaged to Extent of \$20,000 or More—Evidence of Work of Daring Firebug—Mrs. Geldert Saw Man With Flashlight at Work in Mill and Sent Neighbors for Police—Fire Broke Out Few Minutes Later.

As a result of what is believed to be the work of a firebug the grist mill on City Road, formerly run by Maynes and Riley and recently purchased by J. Harvey Brown, was gutted by fire last night and the damage to building and machinery will amount to \$20,000 or more.

About eleven o'clock last evening, Mrs. Oliver Geldert, who lives on Johnston street, just across the I. C. R. tracks from the grist mill, heard a sound like the breaking of glass and, looking out of the window of her residence, saw a light moving inside the mill. After a few minutes of observation she came to the conclusion that a man using a flashlight was at work in the mill, and thinking that his presence in the mill at that time of night was suspicious, she called Harry Spang and William Bolton, who live nearby, and asked them to investigate. When she told them what she had seen they said they would go for a policeman, and started out in search of one. Meanwhile Mrs. Geldert watched the mill and in a few minutes it burst into flames.

Fire Spread Rapidly. An alarm was rung in from box 231 and the firemen from No. four station were soon on the scene. When they arrived the engine room, where the fire had evidently started, was in flames, and the blaze was spreading rapidly to the upper stories. A second alarm was turned in and other sections of the brigade lost no time in going to the fire.

Several streams from hydrants on City Road were soon in operation and the fire was kept under control. The fire spread through the building as if it was a tinder box, and if there had been a high wind the whole district would have been in flames. The fire was extinguished on three stories by wooden structures.

The firemen got to work in remarkably quick time, and although the fire was raging in all parts of the building, and bursting through the roof in places, the fire was kept under control. The fire was extinguished on three stories by wooden structures.

The Third in Short Time. The fire in the grist mill last night was the third which has broken out there within a comparatively short time. About four months ago the firemen were called to put out a blaze there, and some time before that there was another fire, though in neither case was the damage amount to much. When asked if they had any information as to the origin of the fire, both Com. McCallister and Chief Blake, who were on duty during the fire, said they had no idea how it started.

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## JAMES WHITE APPOINTED TO BIG POSITION

Order in Council Gives Secretary of Conservation Commission Rank and Salary of Deputy Minister.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, July 4.—An order in council was passed at yesterday's cabinet meeting appointing James White to the position of assistant to the chairman of the Conservation Commission with the rank and salary of a deputy minister. Mr. White will continue as secretary of the commission.

The appointment is made by virtue of a special act passed during the last session.

An order in council has been passed authorizing regulations governing storing of dangerous goods within the limits of any public harbor, when such goods are not intended for shipment on any vessel. No explosive or inflammable or dangerous goods of any kind may be kept on any pier, or in any hull, scow or floating stage in any harbor without written permission of the harbor master, under penalty of \$100 for each offence. The harbor master may decide, subject to appeal to the marine department, what goods are included under these regulations and may order their removal whenever permission has not been granted.

A. H. O'Brien, whose position as law clerk of the House of Commons was recently abolished, was appointed to one of the newly created positions of legal officers of the justice department at a salary of \$5,000 per year. The most of law clerk of the House will hereafter be filled by an officer known as parliamentary counsel. To that position F. H. Gibberne, K. C., Assistant Deputy Minister of Justice will likely be appointed.

Notices of the incorporation of the Telegraph Publishing Company, which is to publish the new Liberal daily newspaper in Montreal, in the Canada Gazette. The capital stock is \$500,000, and the company is authorized to acquire any printing or publishing business and franchises.

## BULGARIANS AND SERBIANS HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR TWO DAYS

Servian Troops Take Positions Which Bulgarians With 100 Guns Defended—Greeks Win Victory at Kilkish—Conflicting Reports.

Belgrade, Servia, July 4.—The Servian troops today took from the Bulgarians two strong positions to the north of Kotechana, which the Bulgarians defended with machine guns and field guns. Afterwards the Bulgarians retreated to Kotechana.

Vienna, July 4.—Evidence that serious fighting is occurring in Macedonia is found in the arrival of large numbers wounded and prisoners at the frontier. Servian and Greek sources it is next to impossible to form any accurate idea of the progress of the combatants.

There still has been no formal declaration of war, and although it is reported that the Bulgarian minister to Greece has been recalled, he has not yet departed from Athens.

Frontier Venizelos announced in the Greek parliament today that the Greek forces had won a victory at Kilkish and captured sixty guns. This appears to have been secured by the amazing swiftness of the Greek advance from Saloniki, which, according to various correspondents, took the Bulgarians completely by surprise.

The Servians claim a victorious advance to Kotechana, but the Servian invasion of Bulgaria has been repulsed, and Bulgaria, it is reported is executing a turning movement which nullifies the Servian advances. Suspension of judgment regarding the operations therefore is advisable under present conditions.

The reported change of the minister again Knight had been officially declared out of the race because of a loss in engine troubles. Regardless of the officials he re-entered the race.

Ralph Mulford won the race, breaking the world's record for 200 miles on a dirt track. He made the distance in three hours, 21 minutes and 18 seconds. The Columbus track last year by Spencer Wishart, in three hours, twenty-eight minutes, four and a half seconds. Harry Endicot was second with the time of three hours, forty-five minutes and thirty-four and fifty-five one-hundredth seconds. Ernest Reeder was third with the time of three hours, forty-five minutes and thirty-three and sixty-five one-hundredth seconds. R. DePalma finished fourth and last, with the time of three hours, forty-two minutes and thirty-two and sixty one one-hundredth seconds. Prizes aggregated \$5,000.

## HUSBAND TOOK 12,000 DRINKS IN FIVE YEARS

Dastardly Attempt to Wreck Maritime Express Train a Failure.

BIG PILE OF TIES PLACED ON RAILS.

Engine Struck Obstruction but Owing to Quick Action of Engineer Stayed on Embankment—Was Travelling Full Speed.

Moncton, July 4.—While running through Eryplan darkness at a speed of forty miles an hour, the Maritime express which left here at 22 o'clock Thursday evening, came within an ace of piling up in the ditch near Derby Junction at 3:15 Friday morning, when it struck a sleeper which had been placed across the rails on a curve half a mile east of the North-west Miramichi bridge, between Derby Junction and Newcastle.

The locomotive was derailed but through some fortunate fluke, stuck to the road bed instead of taking to the ditch, probably averting what would have undoubtedly been one of the worst disasters in the history of the I. C. R. The placing of the tie on the track was clearly the work of train wreckers.

When he felt the engine strike the tie, the engineer applied the air brakes, and this aided by the slight up grade, assisted in bringing the train to a stop before much damage was done.

It was found that only the front track of the engine was on the track and the engine got her back on the track again without assistance in about thirty-five minutes after which the train proceeded to Newcastle. The Maritime was in charge of Conductor W. M. Thompson and Engineer Norman Sinclair, both of this city.

This is the second case of attempted train wrecking to occur on the I. C. R. within a comparatively short time, the other being the recent case at Amherst, where a switch light was thrown away to allow the Springhill local to run into a switch which had been opened for the purpose of wrecking her. I. C. R. detectives are at Newcastle working on the present case.

## TWO "FLAG INCIDENTS" IN THE WEST

Waving of Stars and Stripes by Americans Inflames Moosejaw Crowds.

WINNIPEG HAS A FREE FIGHT.

Brainless Youth Flaunts Large American Flag in Faces of Canadian Soldiers—Then it Happened.

Moosejaw, Sask., July 4.—Waving two American flags on Main street an American was set upon by a score of youths. The Stars and Stripes were soon trampled into dirty rags and then the man was rolled in the mud. The street was in ideal condition for the crowd's purpose. Immediately afterward an American attempted to raise a flag on the top of a lamp post. It was torn down and a free fight ensued.

Earlier in the day fifty Americans, waving flags, attempted to march up Main street. Fearing a riot, the police turned them back to the hotel, where they had been celebrating.

Winnipeg, July 4.—The sight of a young man waving a large American flag in the faces of the returning one hundredth regiment, started a small sized riot here today. The flag was trampled under the feet of the marching soldiers and several of those who took part in the free-for-all fight that followed received black eyes and cut faces. The young man escaped serious injury.

The incident occurred while the regiment was returning from Sewell Camp. Near the Union Bank, a waiter stepped to the curbing and started to wave the flag of his country in the air, at the same time shouting "hurrah for the American Eagle."

Col. J. B. Mitchell, in command of the regiment, ordered one of his men to request the American to put away the flag. Before the soldier could comply several civilians preceded him. One of them grabbed the flag and threw it into the street, where it was torn and trampled under the feet of the soldiers.

Late comers seemed to be at a loss as to the identity of the man who waved the "Stars and Stripes." The result was a free for all fight. Constables quickly quelled the disorder.

## MRS. JOHN B. SEARS



In a sensational suit for divorce heard in a Chicago court Mrs. John Barry Sears charges that her husband took twelve thousand drinks in five years of married life, including the number absorbed during the jolly honeymoon period. Mr. Sears enters a counter charge and declares that his wife was treated for the "whiskey habit."

## ENGINEERS TO HOLD MEETING

New Brunswick Society of Domestic Sanitary and Heating Engineers to Convene in Fredericton.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, July 4.—The annual convention of the New Brunswick Society of Domestic Sanitary and Heating Engineers will open here on Tuesday next and will be attended by delegates to the number fifty odd from all parts of the province.

His Worship Mayor Hooper will give an address on Sanitation, by Sanitary Engineer J. A. Slater, Plumbing Inspector of New York city.

On Wednesday evening the members of the local society will entertain the visiting delegates at a dinner to be given at the Queen Hotel. President A. H. Farrell of the local branch of the society will preside at the dinner. The convention will close on Wednesday evening and there will probably be some other forms of amusement provided for the delegates.

## THREE GERMAN YACHTS READY FOR BIG RACES IN AMERICAN WATERS

Kiel, July 4.—The Tilly XVII, owned by Prince Henry of Prussia and C. V. Krogmann, of Hamburg, was not selected as one of the German representatives to participate in the Sonderklasse races of Marblehead, Mass., in September, as at first reported.

The official list of the German competitors to go to America was issued today.

Angela, owner, Herr Weitzmann, of the Imperial Yacht Club, of Berlin.

Serum, owner, Waldemar Tietgens, of Hamburg.

## BIG BARN BURNED NEAR GAGETOWN

Special to The Standard. Gagetown, July 4.—About eight o'clock Thursday evening a barn owned by W. Corbett and rented by a farmer named Fred Cooper, was burned, resulting in a loss of \$200. The fire was started by children playing in the hay with matches.

A collection is being made to meet the farmer's loss and already \$100 has been received.

Sir J. Carson, counsel for Lord and Lady Seckville, who are seeking to establish their right to a fortune of \$2,000,000 left to them by Sir John Edward Arthur Murray Scott, made a telling address in opening the case for his clients. Mr. P. B. Smith is the opposing counsel.