

MEDIATION FOR HUERTA

Refuses Offer of The South Americans

TO INCREASE ARMY INSTEAD

Appointing Five New Generals of Higher Rank — U. S. Government Still Biding Its Time

(Canadian Press). Mexico City, Mexico, March 7.—General Huerta received today a message in the United States in which he was asked whether or not he would accept combined mediation of Brazil, Argentina and Chile, to settle the Mexican problem.

The provisional president replied by saying that this mediation would be on no conditions, but emphatic in view of the fact that the relations with countries named are not of a cordial nature.

As indicative of Huerta's intention to resist the attempt of the army, the cable today issued a decree providing for the appointment of five divisional generals of the army, rank not now in vogue, and ten general officers of the staff, which is officially admitted that the attack on Huerta has been resumed.

That the government is determined to establish a Federal bank is officially announced. As a reason for this it is stated that notwithstanding the fact that the banks now existing have been given the privilege of issuing notes of three times the amount of their reserve, they have shown no intention of aiding the government by so doing.

Answer to Note. Washington, D. C., March 7.—State department officials have decided that there will be no answer made to the note recently presented by the Huertista government suggesting that, on account of the Benton incident, the United States should revoke the right it had extended to the Constitutionalists to purchase arms in this country.

The United States government is using its time, while the commissions appointed by the Constitutionalists to investigate the recent cases of Benton and the disappearance of Gustave such, make a report.

IT JUSTIFIED IN USING DOCTOR'S NAME

Parishboro, N. S., March 6.—The tragic death of Mrs. Frank Wheaton is a topic of conversation. There is no doubt that the death of Mrs. Wheaton due to a criminal operation, but it is a strong feeling that Dr. Jeffrey should not have been mentioned officially in the verdict on the evidence submitted at the inquest.

SNOW MELTING ON MARS

Ottawa, March 7.—The so-called canal of Mars are now exhibiting striking developments, according to Dr. Lowell, of the Flagstaff Observatory.

RATE INCREASE SUSPENDED

Ottawa, March 7.—The Railway Commission has issued an order suspending the proposed increased tariffs on Canadian railways for sleeping accommodations as regards sections and wing rooms. The railways have announced that they will require passengers to purchase two full fares if they do not use the drawing room, and a half to secure a section, that one upper and lower berth.

TRUCKER INJURED

Worcester, Ont., March 7.—Martineau, a trucker, was injured today when his truck struck a large tree trunk on the edge of a road. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital where three stitches were put in the cut on his forehead.

WEATHER BULLETIN

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

Snow or Sleet. Toronto, Ont., March 7.—Maritime—ch to strong variable winds; occasional snow or sleet today and on Sunday.

Explorer Has Quarter Million But Needs \$50,000 Additional

Sir Ernest Shackleton Working Fifteen Hours a Day Completing His Plans—Determined to Use Weddel as Base

New York, N. Y., March 7.—A London cable to the World, says: Sir Ernest Shackleton has now secured \$250,000, which was needed to carry out his exploring trip across the Antarctic continent in the south. He wants \$50,000 more to have a margin for the supporting parties. The government has offered \$100,000 as free gift. Another person offered \$150,000 for the cinematograph rights, but the explorer said this remains to be decided. Sir Ernest Shackleton is working fifteen hours a day at the preparation, and he is obliged to postpone his long-expected trip to America and Norway, owing to the demands made upon him. He declines to discuss any further the Austrian explorer Koenig's claim to priority of the idea in fixing Weddel as a base, insisting that he mentioned this intention soon after his last return from the Antarctic, whereas Koenig claims to have published his plan only last May. Whether the Austrian explorer or not, Sir Ernest Shackleton says is a matter of indifference to him.

DRIVERS OF MYSTERIOUS RIG ARE FUGITIVES FROM LOCAL REFORMATORY

Boys Who Stole Horse and Carriage Near Digby Believed to be Fred. Wilson of St. John and Leo McGinn of Moncton—Descriptions Correspond

That the two strange boys who have been seen in the neighborhood of Digby and left a horse and carriage in the woods, which the police of the town think were stolen, are Fred Wilson and Leo McGinn who escaped from the Industrial Home for Boys at East St. John on the night of February 28 is the conviction of S. E. McDonald, superintendent of the home, who was in telephone communication this morning with Chief Bowles, of the Digby police force.

The description of the boys given by the chief corresponds to the most minute detail with that of Wilson and McGinn, the latter, a French Canadian, originally from Moncton, who speaks broken English. The boys are apparently aged about 16 and 17, and are both of the same age. Each has dark hair and is dark skinned. The boys are believed to have used the mysterious rig at Digby as a means of escape. They wore blue overalls, which had evidently been taken from the home, had no overcoats, and had their overall straps outside their jackets.

It has been found by Chief Bowles that the two boys left Digby on the Halifax express and instructions have been forwarded to have them arrested if possible.

Both of the boys have records in the home. Fred Wilson, of St. John, having robbed an English girl at the station of her ticket to the old country and a sum of money, committed another theft in the market and a third at the Dufferin hotel. McGinn, the French Canadian, was committed and also convicted of robbery.

Both of the boys were in the home when the horse and carriage were stolen. It is believed by the authorities that the two boys who occupied the team when the horse was last seen, were Fred Wilson and Leo McGinn. The horse was last seen on the morning of the 28th, and the animal was so cruelly killed it is still occupying the attention of the police authorities.

WOMEN EMIGRANTS MAY AVOID CANADA

Reasons Why They Should Go Elsewhere Pointed Out in England—No Free Land Grants

London, March 7.—A discussion has been proceeding in the Referee, an English Sunday newspaper, on the position of women emigrants to Canada. One of the latest criticisms is furnished by M. M. Sewell, of Putney who writes:

"I may add two objections to Canada as far as women are concerned. One is that Canada refuses the free grant of land to women that is given to men. Two or more girls with a knowledge of farming and a little capital can do very well in Canada, even putting up their own buildings; but women are not to be the leader of the settlement movement. He was alleged to have carried on the propaganda under the guise of efforts to convert the Ruthenian peasantry to the orthodox faith, but with the real intention of cutting them from their allegiance to Austria-Hungary and drawing them toward Russia. The movement was said to have been promoted and financed in Russia. The other thirty-one convicts were condemned to terms ranging between six months and two and a half years in prison and all, in addition, were fined small sums.

Twenty-three others were acquitted. The original number of prisoners was 84, but some of these were released after the preliminary examination. Evidence was given in the course of the trial to the effect that it was Russia's intention eventually to conquer a great part of Hungary.

AMHERST'S NEW CHARTER. Commissioner Agar, who returned last evening from Amherst where, at the invitation of the board of trade of that town, he had spoken on the previous evening of the workings in St. John of the commission form of government, spoke in high terms of the progressiveness of the town. He had received very hospitable treatment. While he said the people of Amherst had an open mind as to the merits of different forms of city government, it was apparent that many in that town, which is about to apply to the legislature for a city charter, are strongly in favor of adopting the commission government at the same time as they receive their city charter.

A SURPRISE PARTY. A pleasant surprise was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Burgess of King street, West, last evening, when about forty of their friends invaded their home and spent the evening in games, music and dancing. During the evening refreshments were served by the ladies after which Hance Bendixen, on behalf of the guests, presented to Mr. and Mrs. Burgess a handsome china tea set. After a violin solo by H. Wolgar and some musical selections by Mr. Lawson, the party broke up shortly after midnight.

LOWER PRICES FOR RUBBERS. An increase has been noticeable since the announcement of the extension of the regulations with regard to allowing eleven pound parcels delivery through the parcels post. Merchants and others are taking advantage of this clause.

Sir George Ross Died Today

Former Premier of Ontario Passed Away at Eight O'clock This Morning—His Distinguished Career

Toronto, Ont., March 7.—Sir George Ross, senator of the Dominion of Canada, and prior to 1906, premier of the province of Ontario, died at eight o'clock this morning, after an illness of several weeks.

NEW I. C. R. TIMETABLE IN EFFECT ON MONDAY

Quebec Express Will Leave at 6.15 p. m. and Make Suburban Stops — Arrangements For Suburban Service Involve Needless Expense

The new time-table for the Intercolonial Railway, to become operative on Monday, was issued today. It announces the change with regard to the time of departure of the Quebec express, which in future will leave St. John at 8.15 making all the suburban stops to Hampton. There is also provision for the C. P. R. arriving at 2.10 p. m. from the east, to make the suburban stops between Hampton and the city, on Saturday.

From point of view of practical economy, what is regarded as the most important item in this connection is the continuation of the arrangement of running an engine and van from Moncton each day to bring into the city the string of freight cars left at Hampton in the early morning.

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PROBATE COURT

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Proclamation of Martial Law a Piece of Political Strategy

The Work of Beneficent Boss "Rich But Honest" Who Took This Method to Stop Government's Career of Extravagance

London, March 7.—D. A. McMillen, who has just arrived from Rio Janeiro, explained yesterday that the proclamation of martial law in Brazil was a piece of political strategy on the part of Pinheiro Machado, the beneficent boss of Brazilian politics. Machado, he said, is immensely rich and honest. President Dantas conducted his regime with such wide through means that the credit of the country stopped. The government, Mr. McMillen says, owes \$2,000,000 to the merchants of Rio Janeiro alone.

STEAMER SUNK; CREW ADRIFT IN OPEN BOAT

Seaside Park, N. J., March 7.—Eighteen members of the crew of the steamer Charlemagne Tower Jr., which sank near here, are adrift on the ocean in an open boat. The boat seems to be heading for sea in a southeasterly direction. The steamer sank in fifty feet of water, three quarters of a mile from shore.

H. B. Thompson of Brooklyn, first mate, and three of the members of the crew were brought ashore. The revenue cutter Itasca put to sea to search for the missing men.

MR. HAZEN INSISTED ON VIOLATION OF CIVIL SERVICE RULES

Ottawa, March 6.—Hon. Bruno Nestler, minister of inland revenue, came in for some scathing criticism in the consideration of his estimates in the house today. He frankly told the house that in appointing John McDonald, a New Brunswick butcher, to the position of excise inspector, in defiance of the civil service examination act, he did so because Hon. Mr. Hazen had been "very pressing" for the appointment. He also said he had dismissed officers of the department because Hon. Dr. Reid, minister of customs, had said they were partisans. In the McDonald case he said that some of the officers of the department had recommended appointment by promotion.

Recent letters to friends state that Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Mackay were at Sheperd's famous hotel in Cairo, Egypt, on their way up the Nile.

Mr. Arthur Thomas and Mrs. Leigh R. Harrison expect to leave early next month for a lengthy visit to the south.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Tapley announce the engagement of their only daughter, Helen Louise, to Mr. Seymour Bathbone, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bell Bathbone, of Ottawa, the wedding to take place in April.

Mrs. Percy Thomson expects to leave this evening for a short visit to Boston. Miss Lillian Kaiser returned yesterday from Moncton after a visit to her father. Dr. Hutchinson returned home today on the Boston train.

SASKATCHEWAN'S TRIUMPHS

Saskatoon, Sask., March 7.—This week at the International Corn Exposition held at Dallas, Texas, U. S. A., J. C. Hill & Sons, of Lloydminster, Sask., won outright the \$1,000 trophy offered for the best peck of oats.

This is the third time the trophy has been won by the Lloydminster firm of grain growers, and it therefore becomes their absolute property. It is instructive to note that during recent years, the world's most coveted grain growing trophies have been won by farmers of the Saskatchewan district. In 1911, Seeger Wheeler, of Rosthern, captured Sir Thomas Shaughnessy's \$1,000 prize offered at the great New York Land Show, for the world's best wheat. Last year, Paul Gerlach, of Allan, won the world's wheat championship at the Dry Farming Congress, Tulsa, Okla., and now the Hills, of Lloydminster, have, for the third and final time, secured the great oat trophy at the International Corn Exposition, at Dallas, Texas.

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THE BLACK RIVER CASE. With regard to the complaint of a resident of Black River that the guard on duty there allowed inmates in a house quarantined because of smallpox to go out and mingle with the public at an auction, Dr. G. G. Melvin said that he believed the matter was the guard's fault and that no one was allowed to leave the house except to go about the farm.

MRS. MARY KENNEDY. Mrs. Mary Kennedy, widow of William H. Kennedy, died early this morning at the home of M. S. Mooney, 108 Watson street, West End. Mrs. Kennedy had been a well-known resident of the north end. Her husband, who died about nine years ago, was an engineer.

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IN QUEST OF STANLEY CUP

Champions of Pacific Coast in Toronto

TO MEET N. H. A. WINNERS

Newly Landed Will Play With Canadiens Against Toronto—Great Excitement Over Tonight's Game

(Canadian Press). Toronto, Ont., March 7.—In quest of the Stanley cup, the Victoria champions of the Pacific coast league, arrived here yesterday morning, and are at the Prince George.

The players are all in the best of physical condition, except for fatigue, caused by the three thousand mile train trip. They will work out daily at the local arena until the N. H. A. winner is declared.

Tonight's Game. Montreal, Que., March 7.—Managing Director Kennedy of the Canadiens, announces this morning that Newy Lalonde will positively play against Toronto and that Gardner will play if he is able. This however, is not certain.

The betting today is two to one on the Canadiens for the match tonight, and even money on the series. There is probably a master of ten thousand dollars up now, and this it is expected, will be about doubled after the Toronto train as well as those from Ottawa and Quebec have all arrived.

Hockey tickets are cheap at four and five dollars today. There are hundreds of half crazy enthusiasts looking for them and everyone who is officially or semi-officially connected with the match tonight has had the lotteried out of him since yesterday noon.

Toronto Train Arrives. There is a quiet suspicion here this morning that the Toronto case in fact was a bluff, and are taking a leaf out of the Ottawa book.

Ottawa has been noted for making a poor month when the question of their condition came up, and Montreal hockey enthusiasts are thinking that Toronto is doing the same thing.

WANTED A THOUSAND EXTRA TO REMARRY HIS FORMER WIFE

She Thought the Thousand She Gave Him Enough and Had Him Arrested When He Drew \$400

Quebec, March 7.—The arrest of a commercial traveler named Gosselin on a charge of obtaining money on false pretenses here, led up to a remarkable story in the Court of Sessions today. The case was not guilty. The charge against him was made by a young woman of means named Gaudet.

Her story was that she and the accused were married some years ago, but after a short time they discovered that there was an impediment to their marriage. They then appealed to the courts and had the marriage declared civilly annulled. The church authorities subsequently annulled it also. The parties then drifted apart, the woman going to the United States. As time passed the impediment to marriage had been removed by the granting of a dispensation by the church. The parties again came together, and the man informed the woman that he would marry her again provided she would give him \$1,000. She agreed to do this, and he gave her a check for that amount. All arrangements for the wedding were completed, but the woman alleges that the day before the proposed ceremony the man informed her that he had changed his mind about marrying and would not see her unless she gave him another \$1,000. She refused to do so. Next day the pair accidentally met at the bank where the woman said she ascertained that the man had deposited the check in his name, but had withdrawn \$400 of it. She then told the bank manager not to pay the rest of the money to the accused, while the latter insisted on getting it. The manager then informed him that the money would not be paid except by order of the man.

It was on the alleged drawing of the \$400 that the charge of receiving money under false pretences was entered.

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