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Chamber of Deputies Agrees With Senate on Compromise

FUND FROM CONTRIBUTION

State to Provide Money Only When Forced Savings Fall Short

Paris, March 21.—Finding that the continued opposition of the senate to the workmen's old age pension bill, passed by the chamber in 1906, prompts to postpone indefinitely the realization of this reform, which the radical wing of the Republicans have been pressing for some thirty years, they finally passed a resolution serving notice on the government and the senate that this compromise must become law before the expiration of the present year.

INDICATIONS POINT TO TAFT AND BRYAN

Development in Various States—Iowa Governor's Opinion

New York, March 21.—Governor A. B. Cummins of Iowa, who was in town tonight to attend the Iowa Society dinner, said that Secretary Taft will be nominated at the next election and elected. He also predicted that Bryan would be the Democratic candidate for president.

INSPECTOR STRICKLAND

Well Known Officer of Mounted Police Dies at Saskaatchewan

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STOESEL IN PRISON

Commences to Serve Term of Ten Years to Which Death Sentence Was Commuted

St. Petersburg, March 21.—Lieutenant-General Stoesel, whom a court martial recently sentenced to death on charges of cowardice and treason in surrendering Port Arthur to the Japanese, but whose sentence was commuted by Emperor Nicholas to ten years' imprisonment, yesterday began serving his term in the St. Peter and St. Paul fortress.

INTERNATIONAL CHESS

American Players Have Advantage Over Englishmen in University Match

Philadelphia, March 21.—The Americans had a decided advantage tonight when playing in the cable chess match between teams representing Oxford and Cambridge of England, and those representing Columbia, Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Cornell, Brown and Pennsylvania was adjourned.

MISSIONARY WORK

Committee of Presbyterian Church Appoints Men to Western Fields

Saskatchewan's Prospect

Toronto, March 21.—Sheriff Leonard Calder, of the supreme court of Saskatchewan, who is in the city, predicts a record yield of wheat for that province this year.

Boy's Attempt at Suicide

Montreal, March 21.—Fourteen-year-old David Mackoffsky tried to hang himself this morning at his home on LaGauchetière street. His mother is said to have scolded him, whereupon he tried to end his life.

Encouraging Outlook

Montreal, March 21.—Despite the irrational disturbances in commercial circles of the Dominion caused by the financial stringencies, the officials of all transportation companies here report prospects for the coming season most encouraging.

Finlay River Gold Field

Ottawa, March 21.—R. G. McConnell, geologist, of the geological survey, says he does not see why plenty of gold should not be found in the Finlay river district.

Telephone in Saskatchewan

Regina, March 21.—The first rural phone system in the province was inaugurated this week at Pilot Butte, when the farmer telephoned the Canadian American Rural Phone company. There are already thirty farmers on the list, and plans have been made for the building of fifty miles of line with the opening of spring.

LOSS OF LIVES IN RAILWAY WORK

Long List of Casualties Caused By Explosions of Dynamite

Mostly in New Ontario

Deputation Urges Dominion Help in Fight With the White Plague

Ottawa, March 21.—In the Commons R. L. Borden, asked whether negotiations were being carried on regarding the passing of American warships through the Great Lakes. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said no negotiations were pending. Occasionally permission was given, not for warships, but for training ships to pass up the Canadian canals through to the lakes.

Grain Exchange in Hard Position

Winnipeg Body Likely to Lose Its Costly Unfinished Building

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American Concerns Worsted

Caracas, Venezuela, March 18, via Willensstad, March 21.—The high federal court of Venezuela yesterday handed down a protest with which there is no appeal, against the Manco company and the Orinoco company, limited, American concerns, annulling the favor granted them under which they operate in Venezuela.

Where the Big Autos Are

Ogden, Utah, March 21.—While the American car in the New York to Paris race is making for Death Valley, westward from Golfield, the other three cars now running in the contest are struggling out from Ogden, where the Italian car arrived tonight to remain until Sunday. French car number one passed Ickram, Wyo., this afternoon, of Sheriff Robertson's proceeding west of Kimball, Neb. French car No. 2 is going to San Francisco by rail freight.

Regatta for Springfield

New York, March 21.—Springfield, Mass., was selected tonight as the place for the regatta which is being arranged by the National Regatta Association of America. The meeting of the national committee will be at the New York Athletic Club. The Harlem Regatta association and the Saratoga association were the only bidders for the regatta.

UNIQUE SEIZURE

A Locomotive of the Canadian Northern Tied Up By Sheriff at Edmonton

Edmonton, March 21.—One of the most unique seizures ever made by a sheriff, even in the west, where the initiative is usual, was made last week by Sheriff Robertson at Edmonton. An execution was served upon a passenger engine of the C. N. R. and for their views with respect to the seizure at the depot here, it was an impact claim of \$1,400 that caused the seizure.

Scottish Immigrants for B. C.

Winnipeg, March 21.—Major Creighton, of the Salvation army, leaves on Wednesday for Halifax, where he will meet the Allen Line steamer, which is expected to carry a large contingent of immigration to British Columbia and Vancouver island on a special train.

Cruiser's Captain Rescued

St. Thomas, March 21.—The British cruiser Scylla, which was captured by the Turkish fleet, was rescued by the British warship captain put out to his ship while that vessel was being used for a double-tracked condition when found and the boat was water-logged.

DIRT SOON TO FLY ON G. T. PACIFIC

Contractors Preparing to Ship Big Plant From East of Winnipeg

Vancouver, March 21.—The enormous plant now being used by Foley, Walsh & Stewart in carrying out their contract for double-tracking the C. P. R. between Winnipeg and Port Williams and building the Thunder Bay branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway will be shipped early next month to Vancouver. It will be utilized in connection with the firm's contracts to build the Kitimat branch and the G. T. P. hundred miles east of Prince Rupert.

LAND GRANT INVOLVED

Southern Pacific May Have to Disgorge Two Million Acres in Oregon

Washington, March 21.—The House committee on public lands today passed a resolution authorizing the attorney general to bring suit to recover two million acres of land from the California and Oregon Railroad company, which has contracted with the Southern Pacific company, which land it is charged, was acquired by the company by grant from the government on the condition that it should be sold at \$250 an acre. It is asserted that the railroad company has refused to dispose of the land.

Girls' School Burned

St. Louis, March 21.—Forest Park university school for young women, and having an enrollment of three hundred students from all parts of the country, was burned today. All perished in the building except one in safety. The fire started from a defective fuse, it is believed.

Captain McCarter's Case

Chicago, March 21.—The decree in the case of Oberlin McCarter, former captain in the United States engineer corps, was entered today by Judge Kearsant, in the United States circuit court. Practically all the findings are in favor of the former army officer.

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Chinese Laundryman Shot

Montreal, March 21.—Hop Lee, a Chinese laundryman, was shot and probably fatally wounded last night by an unknown person, supposed to be an English Canadian, as the result of a dispute over laundry.

Young Incendiarist Sentenced

Cornwall, Ont., March 21.—Philip K. Lowe, of Finch, pleaded guilty yesterday to two charges of arson in connection with the conflagration which broke out here at 4 a. m. on May 13 and 14, 1897, almost wiped out the village of Finch, and was sentenced to three years in Kingston penitentiary on each charge, the sentences to run concurrently.

Big Wolf Story

Chicago, March 21.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Cheyenne, Wyo., says a tracked by a large pack of timber wolves, the drivers of the Italian car 'Sust,' in the New York-Paris auto race, were forced to use rifles and machine-guns, and they were held in the valley to drive the hungry animal away. The car was creeping along over a muddy road when the cry of the wolves was heard behind them, and the animals, growling hoarse each minute, surrounded the car. They were not frightened by the tooting horn of the machine, nor did they fear the lights that were flashed on them. They snapped at the rubber tires and mud guards, and then the revolvers were waved in the air, and the wolves were picked up the pellets of 20 walrus shot by the Italians.

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Down an Embankment

Syracuse, N. Y., March 21.—A Bellevue avenue car on the Syracuse Rapid Transit street railway system jumped the track at a curve in the western part of the city tonight, dashed across the pavement and down a thirty-foot embankment, seriously injuring four people.

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