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LONDON TIMES CHANGES HANDS

LORD NORTHCLIFFE IS SOLE PROPRIETOR

Napoleon of Journalism Has Attained a Long Cherished Ambition.

London, June 29.—Lord Northcliffe, the principal proprietor of the Daily Mail and many other publications, has acquired the sole proprietorship of the London Times. The preliminary arrangements have been kept a profound secret and the sale of the paper coming so soon after its organization into a limited liability company to prevent its purchase by C. Arthur Pearson, will create astonishment throughout the world.

The purchase was completed only within the last ten days and the arrangements for the transfer of the paper will be made in a few days' time unless prejudiced by what will be regarded as a premature announcement of the sale.

"While I am unable to state how much Lord Northcliffe paid for his latest acquisition, I can say that the price paid for the good will of the Times is sufficient to satisfy all those members and relatives of the Walter family, and there are many, who had financial interests in it under the wills of successive proprietors. For the machinery alone Lord Northcliffe paid \$400,000, this being the valuation put upon it by the Times and it is within my knowledge that it is his intention to sell the plant and replace it with another of more complete and up-to-date order."

MR. SKEARER'S ILLNESS

Toronto, June 29.—Rev. Dr. Skearer, secretary of the social and moral department of the Presbyterian church, is at the Western hospital, where he has been operated upon for internal troubles. The operation gives every promise of success.

MR. PUGSLEY QUING NEWSPAPER OWNERS

Four Writs Issued Against John McKane, Reputed a Multi-millionaire.

St. John, N. B., June 29.—Four writs have been issued against John McKane, reputed a multi-millionaire, and owner of the Telegraph and Times, at the instance of Hon. W. Pugsley. The claims amount to over \$35,000.

The writ is said to be the result of non-payment of certain notes in connection with the purchase of the Telegraph and Times.

STATE OF FRASER

Yale, B. C., June 29.—The Fraser river has risen six inches.

TRAFFIC IN ALIEN WOMEN VIA CANADA

"Underground" Railroad is Brought to Light in Crusade Against Practice.

Chicago, Ill., June 29.—In the United States District Attorney Edward Sims' crusade against the traffic in alien women, an "underground" railroad, similar to that used before the civil war in smuggling negroes from the south into northern states, has been unearthed by immigrant inspectors and secret service men.

The system of bringing alien women into the United States, by way of Canada in spite of the vigilance of the immigration officials, is said to have been divulged by one of the girls examined by the board of inquiry. According to her story, girls are brought from France and Russia, and other foreign countries, to St. John, Nfld., and to Anticosti Island, near the mouth of the St. Lawrence river. From these places they are taken to Montreal in private boats and up the Richelieu river to Rousses Point, N. C. Both Attorney Sims and Dr. S. D. Davis, inspector in charge of the immigration bureau, acknowledged that they had learned of this underground railroad, and that steps have been taken to break it up.

MUST EXTRADITE ABSCONDER.

New Britain, Conn., June 29.—A telegram from the state department to Governor Woodford states that the Supreme court of Mexico has walked against the appeal of Wm. F. Walker, the absconding treasurer of the savings bank of New Britain, who has been financially embarrassed.

SINGING FRENCH MASS.

North Bay, Ont., June 29.—Father O'Brien refused to consent to French people singing the St. Jean Baptiste Mass after they had got the permission of the French priest to sing it. The French parishioners left the church immediately and held an indignation meeting.

VICTIM OF LIGHTNING.

Fort William, June 29.—John M. Fraser, foreman of the Fort William Brick and Tile Company, was struck and instantly killed by lightning on Sunday. He was aged 35.

CARS TURN TURTLE IN WRECK OF C. P. R. EXPRESS

Many Injured When Train Goes Over Embankment—Victorian Escapes.

Tottenham, Ont., June 29.—Six coaches of a Canadian Pacific express for Winnipeg, which left Toronto at 9:30 on Sunday evening, were wrecked at midnight near Tottenham. Six wrecked and tourist cars went down a twenty-foot embankment, completely ruined.

Forty were injured, many being west-erners, including Alf. Bagden, of James Bay. The passengers had all retired. The coaches were broken up. It was the worst wreck in years with so few seriously injured.

Only five of those injured were taken to the hospital, their names being Miss Miller, Port William; Mrs. John Swan, Parry Sound; John F. Price, Regina; Mrs. H. Morris, Brandon, and Mrs. T. Riddell.

The weight of the coaches and the fact that the lights did not ignite the wood caused a great disaster. The cause of the accident was a split rail.

Among the passengers in the above train was Miss Edith F. Brown, a daughter of P. R. Brown, of Victoria. A telegram received by her father states that she is happily married. She is on her way from college in Montreal to spend her summer holidays in Victoria.

PLEADS GUILTY TO ASSAULTING REFEREE

Capital Lacrosse Player Appears to Answer Serious Charge.

Ottawa, June 29.—Fred Taylor, a player on the Capital lacrosse team, who assaulted Referee Tom Carlin in Saturday's game, was brought up in the police court this morning and pleaded guilty. There was intense interest in the case as this is the first occasion on which a player has appeared in court on such a charge, though there have been other occasions in which players have been prosecuted for fighting on field with other players.

At the request of the chief of police the case was remanded until Friday.

NIGHT RIDER SENTENCED.

Paducah, Ky., June 29.—The first night rider conviction in the state was secured on Saturday when the jury returned a verdict of one year in the penitentiary in the case of Dr. E. Champion, of Benton, Dr. Champion, who is a prominent young physician, of Lynn county, was accused of participating in the raid of Birmingham, Marshall county, last April, when John Craggs, an aged negro, and his few-months-old granddaughter were shot and killed and several negroes whipped.

"BOB" SIEVIER MUST FACE THE MUSIC

Notorious Plunger Arrested and Accused of Threatening Blackmail.

London, June 29.—A great sensation has been caused throughout England by the arrest to-day of Robert Sievier, editor of the Winnipeg Post, and one of the best known sportsmen in this country, on the charge of attempting to blackmail Jack Joel, a nephew of the late Barney Barnato, the "Diamond King."

Sievier was arrested at the Sandown track during the afternoon racing on Saturday and brought to Bow street, where he was remanded to prison for a hearing to-day. He is charged with having threatened to publish a defamatory article about Joel unless the latter paid to him \$25,000.

Sievier is famous as the heaviest player in England.

FRANCE MAY NOT RATIFY TREATY

TRADE CONVENTION TOO FAVORABLE TO CANADA

Agriculturists of Republic Fear Increased Competition as Result.

Ottawa, June 29.—Advice received from Paris by the government, indicates that there is strong probability of the French senate declining to ratify the Franco-Canadian trade convention unless some modifications are made. Some opposition has risen to the treaty among the agriculturists of France who fear an increase in competition from Canada under the special preference granted by the treaty to Canadian products.

Despite criticisms of the opposition to the provisions of the treaty, when it was before the Commons, and their argument that Canada was reaping no very substantial benefit, it now appears that in France the opinion prevails that Hon. L. Brodeur and Hon. W. S. Fielding negotiated a treaty unduly favorable to Canada. Another reason that militates against the ratification of the treaty at present is the fact that negotiations are now on between France and the United States looking to the passing of a trade treaty and the French senate fears the concessions granted to Canadian manufacturers in some lines and to Canadian agricultural products may be made the basis of the demands of the American government in drawing up the new treaty.

The French senate adjourns for two months on the 1st.

THUNDER AND RAIN VISIT PRAIRIE LAND

North Manitoba Crops Suffer—Considerable Damage to Property.

Winnipeg, June 29.—Heavy thunderstorms, accompanied by drenching rains and some hail, visited most of the prairie west on Friday night, particularly Northern Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Nearly two inches of rain fell at Edmonton, and a full inch at Battleford, while at Calgary for the sixth Saturday in succession, heavy rains are falling and all sports are again off. Including the athletic meet arranged to promote funds to send Burn to the Olympic games.

Damage in scattered localities appears to have been wrought by hail-storms of varying magnitude, and reports are drifting in from many districts. One of the worst was at Dunrea, Man., where considerable damage was done in the village. The Catholic church suffered most by large hailstones, while crops, especially in the north, suffered severely.

At Fillmore wind with the force of a tornado struck the village at ten o'clock on Friday night, the engine room at the Western elevator being thrown off its foundations and two barns and stables demolished. There was, however, but little hail damage to crops.

Warman reports a heavy storm, the Anglican church being moved eight feet from its foundations, and the warehouse of the Central Saskatchewan Trading Company being demolished and scattered for three hundred feet. Stables and outhouses were blown down, but no loss of life is reported. The crops escaped uninjured.

NEGRO HANGED.

No Clemency for Man Who Killed His Brother in Quarrel Over Girl.

Washington, D. C., June 29.—Albert Brown, a negro, 23 years old, who was convicted several months ago of killing his younger brother Harry in a quarrel over a girl, was hanged in the jail here to-day. President Roosevelt had refused to stay the execution. The negro's sentence was the first one of death ever imposed by Justice Stafford in the district criminal court.

SOVEREIGN BANK AFFAIR.

Toronto, June 29.—A meeting of the shareholders' committee of the Sovereign bank will be held this week to prepare a report to the meeting of the shareholders' general meeting on July 14th. It is expected that the assets can be handled so as to realize more than they received under the Canadian action taken so far against the former officers of the bank is a writ for \$11,000 that has been issued against former General Manager Stewart.

FIRE AT MEDICINE HAT.

Medicine Hat, June 29.—The Red chips brick works have been damaged with a loss of sixty thousand dollars by fire which broke out at noon to-day.

REVOLUTION IN OLD MEXICO

AGITATORS HAVE HEADQUARTERS IN U. S. A.

Federal Troops Are Rushed to Different Points—Public Buildings Guarded.

City of Mexico, June 29.—International troubles in Mexico, which developed several days ago along the northern border of the republic, have developed serious features. To-day the storm centres around the city of Toron and in the country between that place and Jalisco, where bands are operating in conjunction with the insurrectionists.

Government troops are rushing to the scene. Already 1,500 federal soldiers have reached Toron to reinforce the garrison there, 200 more have reached Juarez, and 1,000 Chihuahua soldiers are patrolling the streets, and the public houses and jails are heavily guarded.

In view of the developments, Ambassador Creel, the Mexican representative at Washington, who has been here on what promised to be a long leave of absence, has been instructed to return to the American capitol without delay, between France and the United States.

It is the belief of the Mexican government that the revolutionary movement now in progress was fomented by a band of agitators who long have made their headquarters in the United States. On this ground it is believed Ambassador Creel will appeal to the Washington authorities to assist in apprehending some of the revolutionists, particularly those who were concerned in the attack on Vasquez. The request will be made also that if any of the ringleaders in the movement are captured in the United States they be tried in the courts of that country on charges of violating the neutrality laws.

It is the view of the Mexican government that Mexican citizens, who were concerned in the recent raids are common criminals and that the contention to the contrary on the ground that these acts were committed in furtherance of a revolutionary movement will not hold.

Washington's View. Washington, D. C., June 29.—The state department is carefully watching developments in the insurrectionary situation along the northern border of Mexico. The department officials feel that the international aspect of the trouble will be adjusted satisfactorily and every effort will be made for the preservation of neutrality. The expected return of Enrique Creel, the Mexican ambassador, probably will be followed by conferences between him and Acting Secretary of State Woodrow Wilson.

They are likely to be productive of much good in the maintenance of the closest possible relations between the two governments in the matter. Attention is given here to the allegations that the present insurrectionist propaganda was spread by agitators who used the United States domain as their base.

Revolutionists Unorganized. City of Mexico, June 29.—Stories emanating from border towns in the United States indicate that the important cities in the northern part of Mexico are in danger of being attacked by revolutionists, are declared here to be absurd. It is declared that there is no organized force in the north and that the bandits who sacked Igicera are being closely pressed by Mexican cavalry and will be captured within a few days. Reports that the town of Toron is in danger of being attacked are said to be entirely without truth. A special dispatch to the Associated Press from the place says that everything is quiet, and since the Vasquez and Las Yucas raiders were routed all has been quiet in the state of Coahuila. Reports that bridges have been burned and much track destroyed along the Mexican central lines are denied by C. R. Hudson, vice-president of the road, who assured the correspondent of the associated press that not a rail had been misplaced by any one.

JAP LABORERS NOT PERMITTED TO COME

Nippon Supply Company Orders Them, But Dominion Says No.

Vancouver, June 29.—The Tokio Emigration Company of Yokohama recently received an order from the Canadian Nippon Supply Company of Vancouver to take two thousand Japanese laborers to be sent to Canada. The Tokio Company applied to the Japanese department of foreign affairs for the necessary permits but the department replied that under the Lemieux agreement no more laborers would be permitted to sail for Canada without the express consent of the Canadian government and permission was therefore refused.

SECURING JOY IN THIS LIFE

COMMENT OF ROME ON PAN-ANGLICAN CONGRESS

Religions Without Legitimate Hierarchy Are Worldly, Says Vatican Organ.

Rome, June 29.—The Observatore Romano, the organ of the Vatican, in an editorial concerning the recent Pan-Anglican congress in London says: "Religion without a legitimate hierarchy although calling itself Christian, is the religion only for this world, as the question, discussed by the Pan-Anglican congress shows. Throughout the centuries all religions that have arisen without the seal of the real divine personality are similar to those discussed at the Pan-Anglican conference. All of them aim at securing the largest amount of joy in this life without caring for the other world."

At the end of a strong attack, the Observatore Romano says that Catholic Rome to-morrow will celebrate with veneration the anniversary of the death of Saint Peter at his tomb in a church which is a miracle of art, and this celebration will answer, better than anything else, the superlative poverty of the Pan-Anglican congress. From the attitude of the Observatore Romano it is supposed that Pope Pius will deal with the late congress held in London in his forthcoming encyclical.

LIBERALS IN TORONTO.

Toronto, June 29.—A. H. Beaton, a barrister of Toronto, has been appointed organizer for federal purposes by the Liberals of Toronto.

FRIAR BEHEADED BY NEW-YORK TRAIN

Steeping to Pick Up His Hat, He Meets Shocking Death.

New York, N. Y., June 29.—Within view of several hundred men, women and children near the entrance to Prospect park, Brother Cassimir, of the order of St. Francis, and principal of St. Ann's school, Brooklyn, was beheaded yesterday afternoon as he bent from the seat of a bright beach car to get his hat, brushed off by a woman.

The hat had fallen into the slip of the partly raised running board of the car and as the Franciscan brother bent down he slipped and fell under the car. The front wheel passed over his neck and his headless body was left lying in the street while the car went ahead for almost a block.

Brother Cassimir's name originally was Stephen Moore. He was born in Dublin where he was educated by the Jesuits and then joined the Franciscans.

BALLOON PLUNGES TO EARTH

Passengers Uninjured But Covered With Mud and Water.

Philadelphia, June 29.—Two women and three men who ascended in a balloon from this city late on Saturday had a narrow escape from death when the envelope containing the gas, split, causing the balloon to rapidly descend to earth and land on the muddy banks of the Schuylkill river. The passengers were not hurt, but were covered with mud and water.

It was a most thrilling experience, and was witnessed by a crowd of several thousand persons powerless to render any assistance. The balloon was brand new, and belonged to the Aeronautical Recreation Society of this city. The passengers were Mrs. Carra Burcham Kligore, who is a practicing lawyer of this city; Mrs. Meleanor Lockington, secretary of the society; Dr. Thomas E. Eldridge, Dr. S. Zimmerman, and Prof. Samuel King, the aeronaut, whose accents are numbered by the hundreds.

KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE.

Swerving to Avoid Collision Machine Overturns and Telephone Superintendent Meets Death.

Troy, N. Y., June 29.—Syden W. Nicholson, superintendent of the Hudson River Telephone Company, and a prominent resident of Albany, was killed in an automobile accident on the Willow Glen road, about eight miles north of this city, on Saturday night and his wife, mother and a young woman, Miss Brown, were injured.

Mr. Nicholson and his party were speeding along the road when they suddenly met a wagon. Mr. Nicholson turned the machine swiftly to one side in order to avoid a collision with the wagon, but the machine tipped over, about six months ago. Her brother, it is said, was opposed to the match, and Bagby was forbidden to see her or enter the Carter premises.

COSSACKS AGAIN IN ACTION.

Several Wounded in Outbreak Over Closing of Political Club at Resh.

Resh, Persia, June 29.—Fighting occurred here yesterday between Cossacks and bodies of the populace while the former were engaged in closing a political club. Several were wounded on both sides. The Russian warships Krasnovodsk has arrived at Enzeli, a small Persian seaport on the Caspian sea, six miles from here.

DEATH OF HON. T. BALLANTYNE.

Stratford, June 29.—Hon. Thomas Ballantyne, ex-speaker of the Ontario House, died this morning of meningitis.

USE "OLD GLORY" FOR WASHING WINDOWS

Patriotic American Interfering is Pursued by Section of Panama Army.

Washington, D. C., June 29.—The Americans in Panama have had cause for heated protests recently, not on account of the Panama elections but because of an incident which called into action a portion of the Panamanian army. A foreign commercial house in Colon insulted the United States flag, using it to wash the windows of the establishment. Wayne Adams, of the canal zone, as the story goes, witnessed the desecration of the Stars and Stripes and engaged in a hard fought battle for the possession of one of the flags which were being used to clean windows. He was pursued, according to reports, by a section of the army of Panama, consisting of two policemen and a full lieutenant-general in full regalia.

As a result of the disrespect shown the flag by the commercial house, the canal zone from one end to the other is hung with boycott signs and the officers have turned less energetic washers.

CONFESSIONS TO WIFE-MURDER.

Spokane, June 29.—Joseph Gavittie confesses that the man who stepped from under a tree and assassinated Mrs. Gavittie with two shots on Friday night was himself. The woman died after one scream.

CONSPIRATORS ARE CONDEMNED TO DIE

De nouement to Plot in Which Serbia's Prince Was Implicated.

Cettigne, June 29.—The trial of thirty-five prisoners charged with revolutionary activity in connection with the discovery of a score of bombs here last year and at which sensational testimony was adduced, involving Crown Prince George of Serbia in a conspiracy against Montenegro, has resulted in six of the accused being condemned to death, three to life imprisonment, and twenty-seven, (including five former cabinet ministers), to terms of imprisonment ranging from six to twenty years.

S. T. BASTEDO APPOINTED.

Will Represent Canada on International Fisheries Commission.

Ottawa, Ont., June 29.—S. T. Bastedo, for many years fisheries commissioner of Ontario, and who last winter was appointed as federal commissioner to negotiate with various provinces over the question of provincial fisheries protection, has been appointed to represent Canada on the international fisheries commission, which will have control of the fisheries in boundary waters between Canada and the United States.

MEETS DEATH WHILE EMULATING ROMEO

Shot Converts a Romance Into a Tragedy at Huntsville, Missouri.

New York, June 29.—A special to the world from Huntsville, Mo., says: "J. Bagby, twenty years old, was shot and instantly killed near here last night when, like Romeo of old, he plunged to a ladder and talked to his sweetheart, Nellie Carter, seventeen years old, the daughter of a well to do farmer. E. F. Carter, the girl's brother, is held pending the inquest. He admits the shooting, but says he thought the victim a burglar, and did not know he had killed his sister's sweetheart. The Carters are neighbors of the Bagbys, and live south of Huntsville. Both families are prominent and were friendly until young Bagby began to pay attention to his neighbor's daughter, about six months ago. Her brother, it is said, was opposed to the match, and Bagby was forbidden to see her or enter the Carter premises.

HALF POPULATION IS HOMELESS

SEVEN DEATHS DUE TO MINNESOTA TORNADO

Many Houses Totally Wrecked at Clinton—Train Lifted Off Track.

Clinton, Minn., June 29.—A tornado struck this town at 5:25 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, killed seven people and injured twenty-five, some seriously. Twenty houses, a printing office and two churches were blown down. The dead: Mrs. Vandemark, Morton Higgins, Thomas Rockwell, Miss Kate Mills, Spunkberry, Mrs. Olds Nicholson and daughter.

The missing: Mrs. T. M. Johnson. A partial list of the seriously injured follows: Miss Lottie Rockwell, Bert Rockwell, Rachel Higgins, James Morrow, Mrs. George Phelan, Rev. Father Keavey of Graceville, Minn.

The tornado, which was unaccompanied by rain, started three miles north of the town, destroyed two farm houses that were in its path and swept over Clinton, which has about 400 people.

A Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul mixed train was just pulling into the station as the storm struck the town. Fifteen freight cars were blown off the tracks as was also a passenger coach containing seventeen people. All were injured. Telephone lines were blown down.

200 People Homeless. St. Paul, Minn., June 29.—Specialists from Graceville, Minn., give additional details of the tornado that struck Clinton, a town of four hundred inhabitants in the western part of Minnesota, late on Saturday afternoon, killing seven people. The dispatches say that over sixty were injured but that only eleven were seriously hurt. Thirty-three houses in Clinton were totally destroyed and twenty-five were practically ruined. Two hundred people are homeless and scores are destitute of clothing and outside aid is needed.

BELIEVE THAT LAPORTE MURDERESS IS ALIVE

Detroit Police on Trail—Not Burned in Farm-house Holocaust.

Detroit, Mich., June 29.—The Detroit police believe they are on the trail of Mrs. Belle Guinness, of Laporte, Ind., who is accused of wholesale murders on her farm near that city.

Two young women, whom the police had in custody on Friday afternoon and evening, say that they have met Mrs. Guinness since her supposed burned body was found in the ruins of her home. The police claim that the statements of the two young women convinced them that Mrs. Guinness is still alive. They gave the names of other persons who are also said to know that the woman is alive.

ARMADA IS AGAIN READY TO SAIL

Vessels Have Assembled at San Francisco to Continue World Tour.

San Francisco, June 29.—Thirteen of the sixteen battleships of the Atlantic fleet, which is to start on July 7th on the voyage around the world, have assembled at San Francisco to continue their world tour.

The other three are expected to arrive from northern waters during the coming week. The battleships now here are the Connecticut, Vermont, Georgia, Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio, Kentucky, Louisiana, Kansas, Minnesota and Nebraska. Those expected during the week are the Rhode Island, Virginia and Kearsage.

To-morrow the Panther and Taskion, auxiliaries, will sail for Honolulu to be followed on Wednesday by the Culgoa and Relief and on Monday, July 6th, by the Glacier and Ajax.

The battleships will take no part in the celebration of the Fourth of July here, except to participate in the firing of salutes. Owing to the nearness to the time of starting on the long cruise, but few shore leaves will be granted the men on the warships.

The second division of the Pacific fleet will leave San Francisco on July 1st for San Diego. This division will consist of the cruisers Tennessee, Washington, California and South Dakota, having in tow the torpedo boat destroyers Frodo, Parry and Farragut. The Pacific fleet will start on the summer cruise to Honolulu and Samoa on August 24th.