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OPINION IS DIVIDED AS TO MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

Public Utilities Commission However Reports That the Services are Much Improved When Corporations Exist in Fear of Municipal Control

NEW YORK, July 18.—Municipal ownership of public utilities in Great Britain, as observed by a committee of experts sent abroad last year by the National Civic Federation, is treated at length in a series of reviews by members of the committee, which were made public today. These reviews of the experts' report written by Milo H. Malibie, Watson Clark, vice president of the United Gas Improvement Co., of Philadelphia, and Charles L. Edgar, president of the Edison Electric and Illuminating Company of Boston, are divided in opinion as to the success of their undertakings as a whole. Mr. Malibie is one of the members of the newly created public service commission for Greater New York. This body has the widest powers and the greatest responsibilities of any commission to which the regulation of corporations has been entrusted, up to this time, in the United States. Mr. Malibie spent six months in Great Britain supervising the work of the expert accountants and engineers who have passed the experimental stage of the privately owned companies. He declares that the electric plants operated by municipalities generally give a superior service at a relatively lower cost as compared with the higher rate of interest and profit and the greater amount of capital of the private companies. By far the most interesting part of Mr. Malibie's conclusion, however, is that the municipal ownership is not necessary for the success of the municipal ownership idea. He says that the power to operate if necessary or desirable, in many instances has been as effective as actual operation, that the mere fact that a city has the power to step in and operate an undertaking itself often makes the exercise of that power unnecessary. He mentions in Great Britain that no system of control of regulation is complete without the power in the hands of the municipality to purchase and operate, says Mr. Malibie, "if one company may be succeeded only by another or only by a new one, restrictions, there come times when action, not repression, is wanted and then no remedy is adequate unless it be the power of the city to step in and operate the undertaking itself. But the mere fact that it has the power often makes its exercise unnecessary and what the British desires is not the universal adoption of some method of producing results but the results themselves." The reasons that have led to British municipalization, Mr. Malibie finds, are many. First among them, however, is the most general and the most important, is the desire to secure for the public the financial profits of the undertakings. Second, there is the desire to keep the city from being misled by a private company, the general demand for better service at lower rates. He mentions also, a fourth cause, which has played a prominent part in the United States and which is not known in Great Britain, namely opposition of privately operated public utilities companies to the welfare of the city. A fifth factor is the belief that municipal operation would permit the co-ordination of public services in a way that is not possible where different services are operated by private companies. Messrs. Edgar and Clark favor some form of regulation of private companies rather than the adoption of the municipal ownership idea. The hold that the solution of the present difficulties is to be found not in municipal ownership and operation of the public utilities, but in the election of municipal officers who will protect the government against injustice on the part of individuals or corporations.

ORDERS ISSUED TO KILL ALL JAPANESE

Koreans Up in Arms Against Their Rulers

SEOUL, July 18.—Orders were issued today in one of the thoroughfares calling for the death of all Japanese officials in Seoul. The ministers are strongly guarded and every precaution has been taken to prevent riots and attacks upon officials. The emperor's loss of loyal adherents and the gradual development of his policy to always play one minister or faction against another so as to prevent the concentration of power in any single body. The emperor himself is constantly distrustful of everybody about him and haunted with the fear of an attack on his life.

JACK WEST'S TIPS MAKE SCOTTY'S FADE AWAY

New Spendthrift From a Nevada Mining Camp Simply Dazzles New York With the Fatdest Roll Ever.

NEW YORK, June 17.—Not since "Scotty," the Death Valley Miner, astonished New Yorkers by his extravagant tips, has there been a man here as young "Jack" West displays. West came here from Nevada. He has only been in town 20 hours, but his lavish tips and his expenditures have already stirred the main street. Judges of such things declare that the Nevada boy will certainly dim what lustre "Scotty" had. The new spendthrift from the Nevada mining camp is now installed as a private secretary, a friend and a valet, in a six-room suite at the Astor. He arrived on the Twentieth Century limit from Chicago. The bell boys soon learned that a new Croesus had arrived when the dark-haired, stocky young stranger carelessly tossed a \$5 bill to the doorman and followed it up with another tip of like amount to the hallboy who escorted him and his party to his suite. After a luncheon in the Pompeian room champagne corks popped. Mr. West and his party took an automobile ride through Central Park. At each stopping place the waiters bowed over the receipt of tips of surprising size. Young West is a well set up youth of some 24 years, black haired, dark eyed, and the possessor of a huge diamond stud and an equally valuable diamond ring. "This is my first trip to New York," he said, after having pressed the button for a waiter, to whom he afterward handed another \$5 bill. "And I would like to add that it is all right. I am here to spend money and have a genuine good time." He was considerably excited when asked if he knew "Scotty," the alleged spender. "Yes," he said sarcastically. "I know 'Scotty' of Death Valley, and have never been in this city before, but I know that New Yorkers won't stand for a 'piker' who comes here in khaki trousers, a blue flannel shirt, a red necktie and a sombrero and tries to make the town believe that he is a sure enough specimen of the Nevada mining camps." Young West wore no flannels. He was tailored in Broadway style, with a light spring suit of expensive stuff. He had a Panama hat and silk necktie and stockings to match. "I haven't any idea that I am going to start New York with my profligacy. This is where 'Scotty' fell down. I can spend dollars where the Death Valley wonder spent cents, and I propose to do so; but who cares?" The roll carried by the boy from Nevada is of plethoric proportions. He of it in one night in Chicago matching pennies at 400 a throw. As one of the hotel employes was leaving his suite after doing a trifling service, young Mr. West handed him a \$10 bill with the remark: "Here's something to pay for having your shoes massaged."

YOUNG WOMAN SUICIDES.

CHICAGO, July 18.—While talking to friends on the 15th floor of the Masonic Temple, Miss Anna Normandy, a stenographer, deliberately walked to an open court window, and without a word of warning threw herself to the stone pavement of the hotunda, 250 feet below. The girl was mutilated beyond recognition. No cause is known for the suicide.

AVOIDING TROUBLE.

PARIS, July 18.—U. S. Rear Admiral Stockton states that Japanese sailors will not be invited to the entertainment arranged for the American sailors and that shore leave will be curtailed while the situation is at Brest, in order to avoid all chance of unpleasant incidents, which are always possible when hundreds of different nationalities meet on shore.

BRUTAL TREATMENT OF AN ENGLISH LAD

Who Left His Job on Railroad Construction

Bound Hand and Foot to a Bed, He Tells of Inhuman Conduct of Those for Whom He Worked.

ENGLEHART, Ont., July 18.—Chained to a bed in a small upstairs room in Wilson's restaurant here, John Kay, has been a close prisoner since Sunday afternoon. His crime is the same as that of the thirty thousands who were arrested three weeks ago, namely that of deserting the employment of Chandler and McLean, the railway contractors at McDougall's Chute, some seven odd miles north on the T. & O. Ry. When seen yesterday evening he was lying on the bed, his right hand locked close to the side by means of a pair of handcuffs. He could not stand upright nor take a single step in any direction. Constable McDonald, who had him in charge, adopted this method of securing his prisoner and at the same time relieving himself of the necessity of keeping his eye on his all the time. With tears in his eyes the boy, who is only twenty years of age, told his side of the story. He said between sobs—"I am a Lancashire lad, and came out to Canada two years ago, I worked with the Montreal Steel Co. for a time, but quit to engage in railroad work, as I was told I could make more money. I signed a contract with an employment agent in Montreal to go to work at McDougall's Chute." "Did you agree to stay for any stipulated time?" he was asked. "No," he replied, "but I was to pay my railway fare out of my wages, I was to have thirty-five dollars a month and my board." "How long did you work?" "Two weeks. The foreman seemed to have his knife in me and one day told me not to come back to work with him unless I was to have thirty-five dollars a month, and so left the camp and made my way down to Swanson's camp, and went to work there." "How long did you work?" "Only a day and then I was arrested." "Did the constable allow you his warrant or tell you he had one for your arrest?" "No, he just arrested me for quitting the work. Men are leaving the camp and it is hard to fill their places. He is going to take me back tomorrow, he says, but I don't know how long he will work long enough now to pay my railway fare, but I suppose they want to make me work whether or not, and to frighten others from quitting." "Would you be willing to go back to work if all proceedings against you were dropped?" "I don't want to work there any longer," he answered, "besides surely they cannot make me, for you see I was discharged."

POSTPONE THE HEARING OF COAL-STEEL DISPUTE

Representatives of the Former Company Say That Shareholders Do Not Wish the Litigation to Proceed.

HALIFAX, N. S., July 18.—There was a new move in the Coal-Steel litigation today. Notice of motion was given by the Coal Company returnable Saturday before Judge Langley to postpone the trial. The motion is founded on the affidavit of James Ross, president, and Geo. H. Duggan, manager of the Coal Company. Ross states in his affidavit that he was approached after his return from Europe in the spring by shareholders representing 187,000 shares, to stop the litigation, and that would have been accomplished at the annual meeting had not been postponed, and he requests the trial to be adjourned until after the annual meeting when the shareholders will have an opportunity of expressing their views in regard to the continuation of the litigation. Mr. Duggan's affidavit is that relying on the fact that litigation would be stopped, two important witnesses, Hon. Robert Drummond and Prof. McDonald are out of the province and their evidence is not available. Separate counsel filed notice of motion on behalf of E. H. LeMay, a shareholder, to postpone the trial on the ground that the majority of the shareholders postpone the trial, on the case. LeMay writes Ross under date of July 15 that he is applying on behalf of himself and other shareholders to have the litigation adjourned until the shareholders have met to express their views and this letter is made part of the proceedings.

FEAR THAT LOSS OF LIFE FOLLOWED FLOODS

Virginia Visited by Very Heavy Rains Which Have Caused Much Damage.

WHEELING, W. Va., July 18.—Despatches last night from Gratton, Rowlesburg, Tamminton and other towns in the Tygart Valley in northern West Virginia, tell of terrific rains followed by the river going out of its bank nearly its entire length, causing property losses that will aggregate nearly a quarter million dollars. Fifteen or more bridges are washed out, railroads are washed out and at Gratton a church from Rowlesburg passed down the raging river. At Thornton the water was five feet over the Baltimore and Ohio tracks and several houses were washed away. At Gratton traffic on the E. and O. is tied up. A railroad bridge passed there but it is not known where it came from. It is feared many other lives have been lost as the flood came without warning.

FOURTEEN DROWNED BY UPSETTING OF A BOAT

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HILLSBORO WOMAN SHOT BY HER FIVE YEAR OLD SON.

PRELIMINARY HEARING IN MURDER CASE

Opened Before Magistrate Marsh Today

Salvation Army Captain Tells of Seeing David Shoot His Wife—Other Evidence Submitted.

FREDERICTON, N. B., July 18.—The preliminary examination of Thomas David charged with murdering his wife at McAdam Junction was begun this morning at the police court before Col. Marsh, J. H. Barry, K. appeared for the crown, and J. D. Hazen, K. C., for the accused. There was a large number of spectators present. Both Barry is acting as stenographer. It was decided not to have an interpreter at the present stage of the proceedings. The first witness was Miss Sadie Porter, a captain of the Salvation Army, and stationed at Woodstock. She told of being on the train running from Woodstock to St. John on July 8th. She was accompanied by Ensign Miss Ethel Martin. Between Woodstock and McAdam she saw the prisoner on the train. He conversed with a woman sitting opposite. Miss Porter next saw the two at the station at McAdam. She saw the prisoner fire at the woman and as the latter moved away he fired again. The woman fell and was carried upstairs. Miss Porter followed and undressed the woman. She found an ugly wound in the loins and there was blood on the clothes surrounding. Dr. Butler was sent for. Miss Porter went on afterwards to St. John returning to Thornton the water was five feet over the Baltimore and Ohio tracks and several houses were washed away. At Gratton traffic on the E. and O. is tied up. A railroad bridge passed there but it is not known where it came from. It is feared many other lives have been lost as the flood came without warning.

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