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PERFORMANCES OF GORMAN, THE HUMAN DYNAMO, WERE THE MOST BRILLIANT FEATURES OF THREE DAYS' SKATING

The St. John Flash Was the Outstanding Feature in Large Field of Contestants at International Amateur Skating Championships—Brings Stands to Their Feet With Lusty Cheers When, By Spirited Skating, He Captured the 440 Event—Frank Garnett Gets Third Place—Gorman Third in Meet.

Saranac Lake, Feb. 2—Canadian Press)—A peculiar situation exists at the close of the International Amateur Outdoor Skating championships. Although Willi. m Steinmetz, of Chicago, won the meet with Charles Jewtraw of Lake Placid second, the outstanding figure in the large field of contestants was Charles Gorman, the human dynamo from St. John, N. B. He finished third in the meet, but his performances in the half-mile yesterday and the 440 today were, without doubt, the most brilliant features of the three-day card.

Gorman and Russell Wheeler, of Montreal, figured most prominently in the events this afternoon which, peculiarly, gave Steinmetz the championship. It was the 440. In the preliminary heats Gorman and Charles Jewtraw, of Lake Placid, set the stands in a frenzy by brilliant skating. But, even among his thousands of friends here in the Adirondacks, Jewtraw failed to draw the applause that marked the skating of the St. John speedster in the qualifying dashes. When both qualified for the final, the stage was set for the most gripping contest of the week.

By FRANK WHITE

Special to Standard.

Saranac Lake, N. Y., Feb. 2.—The last day of the International skating meet was ushered in with heavy rain during the early morning hours. The weather started to clear before noon, but the ice, however, was quite heavy for fast time in the 440 yards.

Charles Gorman and Frank Garnett qualified in the preliminaries, semi-finals and grand finals, the starters in the final being Steinmeitz, Wheeler, Jewtraw, Garnett and Gorman.

Wheeler fell about 50 feet from starting mark, badly wrenching his ankle, Steinmetz and Garnett taking the lead. Gorman passed both on the upper turn and kept the lead to the finish. Garnett and Steimetz came into the home stretch breast to breast, each struggling for second place, Steinmetz breasting the tape by inches only.

Garnett deserves great credit for his plucky race.

There was no race scheduled for the Leonard or Tebo class. Willie Logan was up against larger boys and made a good showing, considering the handicap under which he was skating, finishing second in points in his class.

Fred Logan, Willie Logan, Irving Leonard and Elmer Ingraham, whose vacation is expired, will leave here tomorrow morning and will arrive in St. John on the Montreal train Saturday noon.

The next big meet will take place at Lake Placid for the diamond trophies. Only five men are eligible to compete, namely, Jewtraw, Gorman, Moore McWhirter, Steinmets. The dates are February 9, 10, 11.

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The race was robbed of its expected thrill at the very outset. The field of fast performers had just reached the first turn when Wheeler dropped to the ice. Pressing close behind him, striving to get out in front was Jewtraw. The Lake Placid flash attempted to leap over Wheeler's prostrate form. One foot alighted squarely on the ankle of the Montreal veteran and Jewtraw all but lost his footing. With only two laps to go he tried, heroically, to get into the race but failed. In doing so he lost an opportunity to win the title. Gorman skated spiritedly, and won the race with Steinmetz second, and Frank Garnett, of St. John, third. Fans stood in the bleachers and cheered Gorman while he remained on the ice. In the face of the bitter disappointment over the mishap which befell Jewtraw, the ovation tendered Gorman was a distinct tribute.

Wheeler was picked up and carried off the ice. He was in great pain, a ligament in his left leg being torn He received medical attention and was taken to Montreal on the 5.40 train this afternoon.

The mishap had given Steinmets an opportunity to garner a sufficient number of points to win the title. This robbed the three mile race, always the classic of the skating meets of its usual thrill. Steinmetz contented himself with watching Jewtraw, and Jewtraw had no heart for the event. The result was that Steinmetz, the champion, Jewtraw, runner-up, and Roy McWhirter, of Chicago, winner of the national title at Plattsburgh last week found themselves in the ignominous position of being lapped in the race, something that has never occurred here since the heydey of Edmund Lamy.

LATE QUEEN VICTORIA CONSIDERED KAISER AN "IMPERTINENT" FELLOW

London, Feb. 2—What Queen Victoria thought of her grandson, Willie Hohenzollern, and others of her relatives who no longer are members of the family circle due to the war, is to be revealed to the world, probably a year hence, through the publication of another installment of letters of the late Queen.

The original volume of her correspondence was issued in 1907 with the authority of King Edward, but a fairly rigid censorship had been exercised out of fear of the effect the Queen's frank comments would have on the other European rulers. "Changes in the political conditions of Europe have removed the obstacles to a further installment," is the official announcement.

Existing memoirs and biographies of the Queen already have revealed the fact that she considered her German grandson to be an impertinent little fellow, so her letters are likely to prove interesting. The task of editing them has been entrusted to George E. Buckle, formerly editor of the Times.

DR. BLACK'S DISMISSAL FROM IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT HAS SINISTER SIGNIFICANCE

His Service Not Being Dispensed With Because He Is Conservative, Merely, But Because of His Stand on Immigration—Took Measures to Prevent Violation of Laws and Keep Undesirables Out — Traffickers in Foreign Immigrants Strong With Government.

Special to The Standard

Ottawa, Feb. 2—An inspired announcement in government papers here, that Dr. W. J. Black is to be dismissed from the Deputy Ministership of Immigration, has a sinister significance, Dr. Black's services are not being dispensed with merely because he was a Conservative. He is being dismissed, there is good reason to believe, because of a stand which he has taken on immigration.

In recent years Canada, profiting by the lesson of the war, as well as by the example of the United States, began substituting quality for quantity in her immigration. The Briton, who knew and cherished our institutions, was welcome; and so was the citizen of any other country who wanted to go on the land. But fugitives from Central Europe, ignorant of Canadian laws, customs and institutions, and with a tendency to horde were discouraged and barred.

Regulations Abused

It is a notorious fact that the new regulations were flagrantly abused. Men and organizations leagued together and drove a "coach and four" through the Statute. A certain Montreal lawyer,—he is now high in the councils of the present government—was the spear head of an organization which trafficked in foreign immigrants, at so many dollars per head, and immigrants from Russia, Poland, Roumania and Lithuania entered the Dominion by the thousands.

Dr. Black, when he went to the Department of Immigration, waged war on this traffic. Assisted by Dr. Edwards, the new Minister of Immigration and Colonization, he barred a certain Montreal lawyer from the Department, insisted that the regulations be applied with the utmost rigor, and visited Europe to give special study to the problem which he had to deal.

In Europe, he found a serious situation. He found that, with the United States barring out Central Europeans, millions of Poles, Galicians, Lithuanians and Russians were looking toward Canada; that, if they were permitted to enter Canada, the Dominion's cities would be over crowded, the standard of living impaired, the unemployment problem heightened a hundred fold. So he returned to his desk here in Ottawa more than ever determined to keep these foreigners out. He was doing splendid work for Canada, but he made enemies. He made enemies of the agents who were more interested in profits out of immigrants than in a wholesome immigration. And he made enemies out of the Politicians, especially in Western ridings, who depend on the foreign vote. Today, and ever since Dec. 6, these influences have been calling for Black's head and, according to today's inspired report, they have won a complete victory.

The result, unquestionably, will be bad for Canada. How bad it will be may be gleaned from the statements of no less a witness than the Toronto Globe. The Globe, after an inquiry into the matter, described the situation as a "menace" to the social and economic life of Canada. It goes on to say: "The issue now lies between those who would have Canada develop haphazard by accepting all the polyglot populations thrust upon it, and those who believe that the citizens of Canada should determine the character, nationalities and experiences of those whom they desire, and take measures to induce them to come. The urgency of the problem is made manifest by the fact that the passports of many recent immigrants to Canada bore the legend that the man, to whom it was issued, was not to be returned to the country which was exporting him. This manner of getting rid of undesirables has now been abandoned, owing to the steps taken by Canadians in refusing to accept such passports. Just now it is the policy to accept only the near relatives, such as father, mother, brother sister, son or daughters of people already established in Canada. Even so they still come in considerable numbers, and the arrivals would leap to five figures yearly if there were no measure at all.

Strong as is this language, it apparently is not strong enough to save Dr. Black. The traffickers in foreigners at as high as a hundred dollars a head are "higher up" than the Globe.

PARLIAMENT TO BE SUMMONED FOR 8TH MARCH

Delivery of Speech from the Throne Will Take Place on Following Day.

INTERIM SUPPLY BILL NECESSARY

The Voting of Interim Supply Is Likely to be in Forefront of Debate.

Ottawa, Feb. 2—Parliament will be summoned to meet on Wednesday, March 8, it was announced following this afternoon's meeting of Cabinet Council, which lasted until after 7 o'clock in the evening. The first day's business will be limited to the election of a Speaker, while the formal opening, with the delivery of the Speech from the Throne, will take place on Thursday, the following day.

The choice of Wednesday and Thursday as the opening days of the session is understood to have been made because of the fact that there are so many new members coming into the House this year. A very large number will be strangers to Ottawa, and also to the Parliament buildings, and it was felt that by setting on Wednesday and then adjourning probably Thursday night until the following Monday before the debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne is begun, these new members would be given a chance to get settled in lodgings, and also to become acquainted with their locations in and around the Parliament buildings. Monday, two days earlier, had been favored by some members of the Cabinet as the opening day.

The names of the mover and seconder of the address have not yet been announced. The new Speaker of the Commons will be Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, member for Gaspe, as announced by the Prime Minister some time ago. There will also be a new Speaker of the Senate, but it is understood that no selection has been made for that position yet.

Interim Supply Bill.

When Parliament meets the voting of interim supply, which aroused keen discussion last session, is likely again to be in the forefront of debate. Should debate on the address—which has the right of way in the early days of the session—be protracted, an interim supply bill will be necessary, or part of the civil service may be without salaries. In past years, the present Prime Minister has objected to interim bills, urging that the proper time should be given to the voting of supply. He took the view last session that necessary interim supply should be voted as a result of a conference between both sides of the House. As there is likelihood of an interim supply bill this year, the Premier will probably follow this course, and a conference be called before the bill is submitted to the House.

From present indications, it is probable that the House will meet on Wednesday, March 8, for the election of a Speaker, with the formal opening of Parliament the day following. Following the return of the Union Government in December, 1917, Parliament did not meet till March 18, 1918.

Italian Ministry Hands Resignation To Chamber of Deputies

Important Groups on Which Cabinet Had Counted for Support Passed to Opposition.

Rome, Feb. 2.—The cabinet of Premier Bonomi, which took office early last July in succession to the Giolitti Ministry, presented its resignation to the Chamber of Deputies at 3.30 this afternoon. The cabinet decided to resign when, at a cabinet council this morning, it developed that important groups in the Chamber, upon which the Government had counted for support, had passed over to the opposition because of objection to various phases of the Government's policy.

The causes which combined to induce the majority in the Chamber to withdraw its support from the Bonomi Government were of both foreign and domestic origin. Many deputies had expressed disappointment over the failure of the Italian delegates at the Washington conference to have Italy included in the four-power Pacific treaty, and there was disappointment over Italy's being excluded from the Anglo-French treaty, which was drafted during the recent meeting of the Supreme Council at Cannes, but which has not yet been consummated.

There was also expressions of dissatisfaction over the official recognition of the death of Pope Benedict XV. through the visit of Minister of Agriculture Mori to the Vatican, and through the half-masting of flags on public buildings. The position taken by the Government during the financial difficulties of the Banca Di Italiana di Sconto also was severely criticised.

DOORS OF VATICAN ARE LOCKED ON 53 CARDINALS

Majestic Stateliness Attended Solemn Immuring of the Sacred College Yesterday.

MARINI TAKEN IN ON SICK BED

Surveillance of Those Passing Within Vatican Was of Strictest Nature.

Rome, Feb. 2—Majestic stateliness attended the solemn immuring in the Vatican today of the Sacred College, comprising for the moment fifty-three cardinals. Every detail of the sacred rites was observed, and although the time fixed for the closing in of the cardinals was 3.30 this afternoon, so long was the ceremonial that darkness had already enshrouded the huge basilica of St. Peter's and the Vatican palaces before the doors were finally barred and bolted, and the preliminaries were completed for the grave task of the election of a new Pontiff.

53 Cardinals Present.

The fifty-three cardinals present in Rome are now in the Vatican. Even Cardinal Marini, who is suffering from influenza, was conveyed there this morning. He did not participate in the ceremonies of the afternoon, but remained in bed resting preparatory to the work of the morrow when the first ballot will be taken. All the cardinals wore grave faces as they filed between the rows of Noble, Swiss and Palatine Guards, accompanied by their attendants.

At the huge bronze doors surveillance of those passing within was of the strictest nature. A giant German Swiss sergeant of the guards allowed nobody to enter unless provided with a white pass, issued by Prince Chigi, marshal of the conclave. To the insistence of those furnished with passes of a different type, the sergeant gruffly retorted in Italian, with a strong German accent: "Here I command; you cannot pass." Two privates stood at attention ready to execute any order he might give.

Berlin Hard Hit By Strike of Rail Men

Berlin, Feb. 2—The strike of the railwaymen late this evening had virtually tied up all passenger and freight traffic. The authorities were unable to procure the necessary auxiliary staffs that had been promised them, and only two trains left Berlin during the day, one for Hamburg and the other for Hanover.

RAILWAY WAGE QUESTION BY NO MEANS SETTLED

Railway Employees' Organizations to Meet in Moncton to Discuss Situation.

Ottawa, Feb. 2—An announcement of a conference to be held on Feb. 8 at Moncton, N. B., by certain railway employes' organizations, show that the matter of the rate of wages paid on the Canadian National Railways and on other Canadian railways is by no means settled.

It will be recalled that the Board of Arbitration, of which Rev. Byron Stauffer was chairman, and the other members were George D. Kelley and ex-Mayor Harold Fisher, both of Ottawa, brought in a majority report, signed by the chairman and Mr. Fisher, which was to the effect that the United States Railway Board's award, which Canada followed, was unfair to the lower paid employes. This report had the effect of reducing the average wages by 12 per cent., the scope of the reduction being from five per cent. to 22 per cent.

The general grievance committee of the Canadian National Eastern lines, which is generally represented by the Canadian Brotherhood of Railroad Employes, will meet in Moncton on Feb. 8, for the purpose of calling the attention of the railways to their general lack of attention and action on the said report.

There will also be a general discussion of the wage question.

Toronto Woman Found Asphyxiated In Kitchen of Home

Beside Body Was Newspaper Revealing Part Gas Played in Death of Another.

Toronto, Feb. 2—Mrs. Harriett Holman, aged 85 years, was found asphyxiated in the kitchen of her home yesterday, and, according to evidence submitted at the enquiry today, beside her body lay a newspaper opened at the story which revealed the part gas had played in the death of James Buchanan who was one of the principals in Toronto's latest domestic tragedies.

Cracks around the doors and windows of the room had been stuffed with old clothes, and two burners of the gas stove were turned on full when the body was found.

Twenty-Five Miners Killed In Explosion

Gates, Pa., Feb. 2—Twenty-five miners are known to have been killed in the explosion at the Gates Mine of the H. C. Frick Coal and Coke Company here early today, it was reported by coal company officials here tonight and there is a possibility that the number of dead may reach 26.

Body of Sir Ernest Shackleton To Lie At Antarctic Gate

London, Feb. 2—The body of Sir Ernest Shackleton, which is now at Montevideo, Uruguay, will be taken back to South Georgia Island, to be buried there, according to the Daily Mail. This decision the Mail attributed to Lady Shackleton's deference to what she believes would have been the explorer's wishes.

Shackleton left no instructions respecting his burial, but relatives and friends, the Mail says, feel that it would accord with his desire to be laid at rest at the gate to the Antarctic.

Shackleton's grave, therefore, will probably be beside the English church at Grytvicken.

Somebody In Labor Department Spilled The Beans

Ottawa, Feb. 2—(Canadian Press)—Copies of the findings of the Board of Conciliation and Investigation which dealt with the dispute between the Dominion Coal, Nova Scotia Steel & Coal, and Acadia Coal Companies and their employes, were issued to the press here tonight, together with a statement from the Department of Labor stating that, as a substantially accurate summary of the findings "had been procured from a source unknown to the Minister or the department and published," copies were being given to the press at Ottawa at the same time as certified copies of the findings were forwarded to the disputants. The disputants are generally forwarded certified copies before any information as to awards is given to the press.

Another Office For Harry Rutter of Fredericton

Board of Education in Session Last Evening — Teachers' Pensions Considered.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Feb. 2.—Premier Foster announced this evening that Harry C. Rutter, of Fredericton, had been appointed crier of the Supreme Court and Divorce Court in succession to the late John B. Gill, of Lower St. Mary's. Mr. Rutter has had a long career as a public official, having held office as sergeant-at-arms of the House of Assembly for many years.

The Board of Education held a short meeting this evening. Consideration was given a number of items of routine business. Dr. B. C. Foster and A. S. McFarlane, officers of the N. B. Teachers' Association, formed a delegation which appeared before the board on relation to teachers pensions. They presented a report of the Carnegie Foundation, which upholds the report made by a special committee on the matter of a revised pension scale. The board referred the matter to the government for legislation.

Remains of Calvin Atkinson Laid To Rest Yesterday

His Death Has Caused Deal of Talk—Reported Arrest Will be Made.

Amherst, N. S., Feb. 2—The remains of Calvin Atkinson were laid to rest this afternoon in the little cemetery at Fort Lawrence. The three sons of the deceased, Allan, Roy and Oran, who had been disinherited by their father and who had not seen him during the past two years, aided by a neighbor, Douglas Embree, bore the pall. The widow of the deceased was present during the service at the house and evinced not a little grief during the sad ceremony.

It has been a long while since death has caused such a deal of talk, and it is reported an arrest will be made shortly.

GROUND HOG DAZZLED.

Sydney, N. S., Feb. 2—When the Sydney ground hog came to the surface today, Candlemas day, he was so dazzled with the bright sunshine that he went right down below again for the additional forty days' snooze.

House Maid Found Responsible For Housekeeper's Death

Warrant Issued for Alma Morel, Montreal, Whose Whereabouts Are Unknown.

Montreal, Feb. 2—Alma Morrel, a servant, was today found responsible for the death of Adelaide Perreault, 68 year old housekeeper, by a coroner's jury. Miss Perreault died last Saturday of injuries she received when she was pushed by the maid at the home of C. Chaput, Sherbrooke Street, East, on July 15 last. At the conclusion of the inquest, a warrant, charging the girl with manslaughter, was issued. Her present whereabouts, however, are unknown. She was discharged from the Chaput house shortly after the quarrel. Testimony showed that Miss Morel gave the aged housekeeper a violent push, and called her an "old skunk" for remonstrating with her when she entertained a male visitor in the kitchen after eleven o'clock. The "male visitor," whose name is Guthrie, testified at the inquest today.

Church Warden Finds Frozen Body of Unidentified Man

Discovered It in His Barn Where It Had Evidently Been Several Weeks.

Mount Johnson, Que., Feb. 2—Ephrem Benoit, church warden of this parish, found in his barn here today the body of an unidentified man which had been frozen stiff, and which appeared to have been there for several weeks. The corpse was bare-footed, a pair of shoes lying beside it.

The body was deposited with Arthur Choquette, undertaker of the township, and a notice has been issued that, if not claimed within the next few days, it will be disposed of by the authorities.

M. P.'s CONDITION SERIOUS

London, Feb. 2—(Canadian Press Cable)—The condition of Sir Donald MacMaster, M. P., for the Chertsey division of Surrey who has been ill for months is now very serious.

THREE ADDITIONAL ARRESTS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH NEW ABERDEEN RIOT

Their Apprehension Brings the Number of Prisoners Up to Eight, and Warrants Have Been Issued for Several More Alleged Ring Leaders.

Sydney, N. S., Feb. 2—Three additional arrests were made late this afternoon in connection with the recent New Aberdeen riots, in which a Dominion Coal Company store was raided and goods valued at $75,000 carried off. The arrests were effected without any disturbance.

Edward Watts, LeRoy Thompson and Dan MacKinnon, all accused of having been ring-leaders in the two days' rioting, were brought to Sydney tonight and lodged in the county jail. Their apprehension brings the number of prisoners up to eight, and warrants for several more are in the hands of the police.

A preliminary hearing will take place on Friday before Judge A. G. MacLean.

DAMAGES AMOUNTING TO $19,800 GIVEN TWO WIDOWS WHO SUED C. P. RAILWAY

They Alleged the Defendant Railway Company Was Responsible for the Death of Their Husbands, Killed While Employed as Brakemen by the Company.

Montreal, Feb. 2—Damages amounting to $19,800 were granted in the Superior Court here today to two widows who sued the Canadian Pacific Railway for the death of their husbands, killed in a derailment at Ville La Salle in May last. The claims were settled by agreement. The claimants were Dame Eugenie Chatigny, widow of Joe Gagnon, and Dame Lucie Ruel, widow of Charles Brown. Their husbands were brakemen on the C. P. R. and were riding in the van of a freight train which was in front of the engine. It was claimed that the van should have been in the rear of the train. Further, they allege the train was derailed owing to a defective switch. These circumstances were attributed to negligence and fault on the part of the company.