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FIFTIETH YEAR

MORE MILITIA FOR CALIFORNIA

The War Department Requests That Sixteen Companies Be Organized

COAST DEFENCE SCHEME

Authorities Deny That Move Has to Do With Anti-Japanese Measures

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 6.—The governor has received from the war department at Washington a request to organize sixteen militia companies, to be held in reserve for coast defense, according to reliable information obtained today. Some time ago Adjutant-General Lauck was requested by the federal authorities to assign that many men of three regiments of state militia to the coast defense, but Lauck declined to do so. It is understood that Governor Gillett, who left for San Francisco today, will begin the organization of the companies at once.

Washington Statement. Washington, Feb. 6.—Robert Shaw Oliver, Assistant Secretary of War, said today that the war department's request to Governor Gillett to organize sixteen militia companies of artillery is merely part of the general scheme for national coast defense. California, he said, is one of the few states which have not their full complement of militia, the idea being to organize a twin militia company for each company of regulars located at the artillery posts.

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Suffragettes Plan Great International Congress to Be Held in London in April

London, Feb. 6.—A great congress of women suffragists is to be held in London during the last week in April. It is predicted that this will be the largest meeting of the kind in the history of the movement. Delegates from twenty-one countries are expected, and meetings at which there will be speeches in all languages will be held in all the large halls in London. Besides visits will be paid to Oxford and Cambridge and a determined campaign carried on there.

Idaho Following Suit. Boise, Idaho, Feb. 6.—In the house of representatives a bill to repeal the Sunday rest law were introduced today.

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Texas Stays "Wet." Austin, Tex., Feb. 5.—The house today by a vote of 85 to 44 defeated the resolution to submit a state-wide prohibition amendment to the voters.

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Goderich Fire. Goderich, Ont., Feb. 6.—Fire broke out in Cameron & Moore's dry goods store last night and did \$18,000 damage before being extinguished. Insurance, \$12,000.

Queen'sville, Ont. Feb. 6.—Wilmot Longfield, aged 13, hanged himself in the garret of his home here in the absence of his parents. They say they know of no reason for his act.

New Brunswick's Display. St. John, N.B., Feb. 6.—The provincial government has decided to have a permanent exhibition of big game, minerals and other products at the permanent Canadian government exhibit there.

Badly Burned. Vancouver, Feb. 6.—Sydney Harrison, an employee of the B. C. E. R., was severely burned about the head and face by a fire in a boiler room at the station on Westmainer Ave. as a result of the short circuiting of wires yesterday, and is now lying in the general hospital, his condition being considered very grave.

Vernon Conservatives. Vernon, Feb. 6.—The annual meeting of the Vernon central conservative association was held last night, and the following officers for the ensuing year were elected: Hon. president, F. C. Elliott; W. T. Shattford, C. O'Keefe; J. Stoddart and W. H. Smith; president, J. A. McKelvie; first vice-president, T. B. Crowell; second vice-president, A. O. Cochran; third vice-president, J. G. Edwards; secretary, S. A. Shattford; treasurer, W. W. Cameron; executive, M. V. Allen, R. W. Timmins, C. Godwin, H. F. Denison, F. E. Jacques, C. Christian, T. J. Cummlakey, W. Lacey, M. J. O'Brien and J. McClueky.

CAPTAIN AMUNDSEN GOES TO ARCTICS

Proposes to Spend Five or Six Years Exploring North Polar Basin

Christiania, Feb. 6.—Capt. Roald Amundsen's polar expedition is now assured, for the Storting today voted him a subsidy of \$1,500 necessary for the outfitting of his expedition. The Fram. There was considerable opposition to the measure, but it was finally carried by a majority of 115 to 100. Speaking recently of the outlines of his plan, Captain Amundsen said: "I should say at the outset that this expedition is not to be any dash for the pole, but a carefully worked out scientific expedition, having for its object the fullest possible investigation of the North Polar basin."

VICTORIANS MAROONED

Beaver Brothers, in Company With Vancouver Men, Have Unpleasant Adventure

Nanaimo, Feb. 6.—The tug Pilot reached port on Wednesday with the barge Oregon, laden with gypsum from Freshwater Bay, after a remarkably rough trip. When passing through Fitzhugh Sound, bound south, a large bonfire and flashes of light, as though some one was trying to signal, attracted the attention of Capt. Scarf, and upon investigation four shipwrecked men were found on the barge, huddled about their fire, utterly exhausted and famished. Capt. Ensign and son, of Vancouver, and Archibald and George Beaver of Victoria were the marooned hunters, and the cause of their plight was a gale having driven their launch ashore on Hunter Island.

G. T. P. EMPLOYEES

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COUNTRY AT DISADVANTAGE

Mr. Maclean Brings Up Question of C. P. R. Capital Increase

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—The House of Commons yesterday discussed the question as to whether Canada had not been severely injured about the worlding clothes stage to be permitted to have full cognizance of treaties in which it is vitally interested entered into on her behalf by the imperial government.

ELECTION IS NEAR IN GREAT BRITAIN

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Bodies Seen Floating Down Stream—Great Damage to Property

Berlin, Feb. 6.—Despatches received here from all the river districts of Germany indicate that the errors of the flood water, which are raging as the result of several days of heavy rains and warm weather are increasing. Over fifty fatalities have already been reported. Great damage to property has resulted. A drenching downpour of rain continues in the western provinces, in many parts of which traffic has been entirely suspended owing to bridges being washed away.

BUSINESS IN CANADA

Bank Clearings Generally Show Large Increase—Export Season Expected

New York, Feb. 5.—Bradstreet's weekly bank clearings for the week ending Feb. 4, 1909, are as follows: Montreal \$25,804,000 14.7
Toronto 10,848,000 6.4
Winnipeg 3,278,000 28.4
Quebec 1,884,000 2.2
Halifax 1,070,000 1.7
Hamilton 1,069,000 1.8
Calgary 1,351,000 38.3
St. John 1,155,000 6.5
London 801,000 6.7
Victoria 729,000 28.3

Trade in most parts of Canada tends to improve. In the East a certain amount of caution is observable. Colder weather has brought about a better volume of retail trade, though trade in winter lines has been disappointing. At Montreal caution rules and orders are largely for present needs. Drygoods men are optimistic over the outlook for spring. An active building campaign is looked for the coming season.

Failures in Canada number 23, against 42 last week and 44 the week before. There were 153 business failures in January, with liabilities of \$1,856,000. The number of failures in December and liabilities of \$1,440,891 in December.

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Place for Secretary Lost. Washington, Feb. 4.—Friends of Wm. Loeb, Jr., secretary to the President made a definite statement today that he is to become collector of the port of New York at the beginning of the next administration. The position, it is said, was offered to Mr. Loeb some months ago by Mr. Taft and accepted by him. Mr. Loeb, it is also stated, is to become the confidential political adviser of the next president on New York matters.

Mine Workers Turbulent

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 6.—Efforts of organized Mine Workers of the United States and Canada to exclude from their proceedings controversies of a personal nature between factional leaders, seem futile. Early in today's session a resolution was adopted that all speakers on the resolutions motions must confine themselves strictly to the subject in hand, but nevertheless the day was one of turmoil and bickering.

Neabit Libel Suit. Toronto, Feb. 4.—Mr. Justice Latchford reserved judgment in the criminal libel case of Dr. Beattie Nesbit, former registrar for Toronto West, against A. Macdonald, editor of the Globe. A nice legal point is involved in the argument as to whether the defendant's defence that there is no cause to believe that the plaintiff's content will never close, and that the fact of the technicality of traversing because one side the other are not ready to proceed does not prevent the court hearing the case now.

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King Edward will be met at the railroad station by Emperor William and the Empress, Crown Prince Frederick William and all the other princes of the royal house who are in Berlin in the capital. The notabilities will be accompanied by their full staffs.

King Edward and Emperor William, seated in an open carriage, will head the procession for the state entrance into the city. They will be followed by the Empress and the Queen seated side by side, in another carriage. A halt will be made at the Brandenburg gate, where the visiting monarchs will be welcomed by the city authorities.

The programme of festivities shows that every day will be filled with dinners and other affairs. There is to be a state dinner on Tuesday night in the palace, at which the Emperor and the King will exchange the usual toasts. On Wednesday afternoon King Edward will attend a reception of the municipal authorities in the town hall, and that evening there will be a ball at the palace. His majesty will go in an automobile on Thursday to Potsdam, where he will place a wreath on the tomb of the Emperor Frederick and his sister, and later will have luncheon with the officers of the Prussian army. One of the most important questions to come before the convention was that of allowing the Admiralty to become members of the union. Article No. 1 in the constitution extends to all men in and around the mines, without regard to race or religion, intellectual and moral condition of the miners, and around the mines. The constitution committee advises striking out the words "except Chinese and Japanese."

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Resolution No. 4 asked that President Lewis be requested to instruct all organizers when working in this district to report to the president of District No. 18 and received unanimous endorsement.

A telegram was sent to Premier McBride, J. Hawthornthwaite and the members of the executive at Victoria, asking them to call the attention of the members of the British Columbia legislature to the necessity of passing the monthly paydays and to urge the passage of such legislation before the end of the present session.

The district office was transferred from Blairmont to Fernie. The initiation fee for non-practicing men, not earning more than \$2.50 a day was fixed at \$5; for others at \$7. The salaries of the officials remain the same for the current year.

At this morning's session of the convention the matter of affiliation with the Western Federation of Miners was discussed. The movement met with very little opposition, and the officers were instructed to formulate a plan.

The following Socialist resolution was adopted: That we, the U. M. W. of district No. 18, in annual meeting assembled, recognize and declare for the necessity of the public ownership and operation and the democratic management of all the means of production used; exchange that are collectively used; that every working man or woman willing and able to work can have free access to the means of life and get the full social value of what they produce."

For the Unemployed. London, Feb. 6.—The Trades and Labor Council today opened up a factory for the making of toys and other small articles which do not require a great amount of mechanical skill for the benefit of unemployed union men in the city.

Ohio Farmers Will Come. Calgary, Feb. 6.—Ohio agents of the Canadian Pacific Irrigation and colonization company in this city with a large party of buyers announced that farmers in Ohio by the hundreds will go into actual residence on the irrigated lands of Calgary this year. No word of the proposition is being received anything like the attention that the Calgary project is gaining throughout the state.

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