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BELGIAN MINES GETTING BACK TO NORMAL

Production in May, 1920, is 90.9 Per Cent. of That Seven Years Ago — Mons Mines Producing More.

Brussels, July 21.—Belgian coal mines have almost reached pre-war production. The output of the Belgian mines for the month of May, 1920, reached 90.9 per cent of the production for May, 1913, amounting to 1,757,080 tons as compared with 1,910,710 for the same period before the war.

What is more remarkable still, production for the month of May, taken alone, was even greater during May than during the same month before the war, the percentage being 104.8.

Further illustrating the wonderful progress toward reconstruction which Belgium has made, Director-General of Telegraphs and Telephone points out that 282 central telephone offices out of 288 have been re-established and 80 per cent of the pre-war subscribers have been regained.

At Antwerp, Malines and Turnhout more telephone subscribers are reported than before the war. The scarcity of materials has prevented even greater results in reconstruction. Wires were hard to obtain, the Germans having carried away most of the wiring throughout Belgium. Installations in Brussels were carried to Berlin where they were located by Allied officers and two engineers have been sent to recover what materials they can identify.

The Germans carried away \$400,000 worth of telephone and telegraph materials from Brussels and \$12,000,000 from Belgium as a whole.

BLAMES THE GOVERNMENT

Attorney General Raney Says It is Responsible for Conditions at Border.

Erin, Ont., Aug. 7.—Hon. W. K. Raney, K. C., attorney-general for Ontario, gave an address at a public held under the auspices of the United Farmers of Ontario here yesterday, and at the same time with the Ontario government's position on the question of the liquor traffic. Mr. Raney blamed the government for the present conditions in the border cities of Ontario.

He pointed out that the government is taking of the referendum vote, and also blamed the government at Ottawa for not making a law dealing with the manufacture of liquor for beverage purposes as well as the law dealing with the question of importation.

TELEGRAPHERS' CLAIM SETTLED

Finding of Board of Conciliation Is Accepted — Increases.

Montreal, Aug. 7.—The Canadian Pacific Railway telegraphers' claim for increased wages was settled yesterday afternoon by the acceptance of the board of conciliation judgment by both parties.

Thomas Carruthers, chairman of the men's union, stated that the following increases have been granted and they are in accordance with the finding of the board and also with the vote of the men. Morse telegraphers in first-class offices such as Halifax or St. John, receive an increase of \$20 a month in position, that is, for the first three ratings at Vancouver, Calgary, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, St. John, Halifax and Hazel Hill cable station.

Outside positions for the Morse telegraphers, increase \$17 a month. Automatic operators, increase of \$10 a month. The clerks' salaries have been increased for junior clerks from \$5 to \$10 a month. The majority of the clerks receive an increase of \$12.50 a month and cashiers at the larger offices \$20 a month.

These increases are those of the majority report of the board of conciliation which sat in Montreal July 8, 6 and 7, and have been accepted by the men and the vote which has just been taken.

REQUESTS OF MINISTERS ARE BEING MET Methodist Clergymen Receiving Consideration in Appeal for Higher Salaries.

Toronto, Aug. 7.—"Not one board has so far refused the request of the committee on behalf of the ministers," said Rev. D. G. Ridout, secretary of the Dominion Ministerial Support committee, of the Methodist Church here yesterday, with reference to increases of salary for Methodist ministers throughout the country.

IN THE SAHARA



"Now tell me, how is it you can go so long without a drink?"—Alfred Leece in the Bylander, London.

POLICEMAN GAVE LIFE FOR PAYROLL

Wounded Sergeant Lying on Floor Drove Bandits Away With Gun.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—In a revolver battle with three pay roll bandits this week Sergeant Frank McGurk, one of the old Chicago police department, was shot and killed in the offices of the Illinois Vinegar Company at West 48th and South Leavitt streets. For some time McGurk had been detailed at the company's office each pay day, for just such an emergency. Today it came. He defended the firm's money at the cost of his life.

In the afternoon McGurk had acted as guard for J. T. Schrueder, cashier of the concern which he carried \$5,000 from downtown bank to the factory. Half the employees had been paid when three young fellows, clad in overalls, came up blamed the government for delaying the taking of the referendum vote, and also blamed the government at Ottawa for not making a law dealing with the manufacture of liquor for beverage purposes as well as the law dealing with the question of importation.

They pointed pistols at the cashier and Sergeant McGurk, answered the command to put up his hands by drawing his pistol. Before he could fire, each of the bandits had fired a shot into his body.

Lying on the floor, wounded, the police officer aimed five bullets in the direction of the men. The shots apparently went wild, and, without any of the money, the bandits ran downstairs and out the basement entry, and escaped in an auto.

McGurk was rushed to St. Anthony's Hospital, where he died thirty minutes later. He had been struck by three bullets.

"I believe I killed one of these fellows," he managed to gasp just before he died.

OPEN GRAVE AND TAKE MAN'S HEAD

Police Seek Vandals Who Pried Open Caskets of Man and His Wife.

Malden, Mass., Aug. 5.—State and local police have joined in an effort to learn the identity of vandals who pried open the casket of Casper Liert in Holy Cross cemetery and severed the head from the body, carrying away the head. Liert died in South Boston on Oct. 12, 1912, aged eighty-five years.

Cemetery employees discovered the open grave on Monday morning and on investigation found the cover of Liert's casket pried off and the headless body propped against the side of the grave. The casket containing the body of Liert's wife also had been pried open but the remains were not touched. The state authorities were called in today after the local police had been unable to get any trace of the vandals.

MONTREAL STREET CAR WAGE DISPUTE STILL UNSETTLED

Montreal, Aug. 7.—(Canadian Press)—President E. A. Robert of the Montreal Tramways Company, yesterday afternoon refused to agree to the ultimatum presented by the employees of the company following their meeting in Thursday when the men rejected the increased wage award of the board of conciliation and demanded acceptance of their official demand with a twenty-four hour ultimatum to expire at noon tomorrow, failing which they declared they would take such action as they considered necessary. The men will hold a final meeting tonight at which the problem of whether the dispute can be amicably settled or not will be solved.

The men asking increases averaging roughly seventy-five per cent in their wages, an eight hour working day and fifty per cent overtime. The board of conciliation offered a wage increase of from twenty-five to fifty per cent, without touching on working conditions.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "have you begun to feel your squish for the fall exhibition?" "No," said Hiram, "but Hanner's been busy puttin' fruit an' things in glass jars, an' she's got some of the finest knittin' an' quilts an' fancy work you ever seen. I calculate she'll get some of the prizes this year. She's goin' to show some honey, too. Hanner bet a way with bees that makes 'em their level best. She's got a nice jar of honey for you, too. She was wonderin' yisterday when you was comin' out to the Settlement."

"Tell her," said the reporter, "that the days are long that separate me from that bed in the spare room and those pies on the dinner table. Are the bees still goin' good this summer?" "If I was to tell you how much money Hanner's got for this year, you'd say I was stretchin' it," said Hiram.

"No," said the reporter. "I know the price of eggs. I love to go to a store where they are displayed in the window and spend a few minutes gazing upon them. It is curious how habits change. I used to like to stand in front of a jeweler's window, but now the grocery man has the things we want and cannot afford to buy. I spent ten minutes yesterday feasting my eyes on a crate of New Brunswick berries and then went home and ate a banana from the West Indies."

"Well," said Hiram, "if you come out to the Settlement you kin get all the wild berries you want just for the pickin' in. An' they got a better flavor, too. The reporter slammed his desk. "Hiram," he said, "lead me to them."

BOY KILLED IN STREET ACCIDENT

Vancouver Street Car Hits Truck, Killing Lad and Injuring Driver — Motorman Held.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 7.—Chow Wing, aged four, is dead on Harold Caldwell is in the hospital seriously injured as the result of an accident yesterday when a street car crashed into a motor truck driven by Caldwell.

Motorman McEwan was arrested and held in \$5,000 bond.

When the car struck the truck, Caldwell was violently thrown to the pavement, the truck swung toward the sidewalk, crushing the Chinese lad who was sitting in a small wagon, against a lamp post.

THREE MORE KILLED IN DENVER RIOTS

Disorders Resumed Last Night — City Under Martial Law — Strike Called Off — Peace Reigns Again in Illinois.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 7.—Three men were killed and thirteen injured when rioting was resumed by striking street car men and their sympathizers at the east side car barns last night. The dead are—Dan Sullivan, Dan Flanagan and Charles Hanson, all of Denver.

Strike Called Off. Denver, Colo., Aug. 7.—The strike of tramway employees by the Denver Tramway Company was called off by the executive committee of the tramway men's union shortly before midnight last night. The men met at nine o'clock this morning to confirm the action of the executive committee.

John Collins, who was shot in the rioting at the east side car barns, died last night in the hospital. This brings the death toll in last night's rioting to three.

Denver Under Martial Law. Denver, Colo., Aug. 7.—Denver was placed under military control at 1:30 this morning in a proclamation issued by Mayor Bailey after a conference with Col. Ballou of Fort Logan and state officials. Troops already have begun to arrive from Fort Logan.

Quiet in Frankfurt. Frankfurt, Ills., Aug. 7, via Johannesburg.—Quiet prevailed in West Frankfurt last night after Thursday night's rioting in which two scores of persons were beaten. Reports that five persons were killed could not be verified.

French and British Premiers To Confer On Polish Question

Marshal Foch Is Expected to Be Present at Conference

Rumania Will Assist Allies If Necessary — More Optimistic Reports of the Fighting — Bolshevik Offensive Slowing Down.

London, Aug. 7.—Russian Bolshevik armies hammering the Polish lines northeast and east of Warsaw seem to have encountered serious resistance. With the exception of the area around Brest-Litovsk, east of the Polish capital, no new advances by Soviet troops have been reported.

Polish forces have been forced to retire from Teresopol, about four miles west of Brest-Litovsk, and have lost Muranow, about five miles to the south. The Bolsheviki have gained a foothold on the west bank of the Bug river in this region, but it is probably their further progress will be very slow, as permanent forts erected years ago to defend the city, must be stormed if the Soviet legions are to gain ground there.

Northwest of Brest-Litovsk, along the river Bug, the Polish troops have launched vigorous counter-attacks and have succeeded in driving back across the river Bolshevik detachments which have succeeded in reaching the left bank of the stream.

Further north along the battlefield, a great battle is being fought, but no details of the outcome have been given in late despatches.

At Mysynisk, about five miles from the German boundary, the Poles are well entrenched and appear to be holding their own in spite of savage assaults against their positions.

In the southern sectors of the front fighting of a serious nature is going on, and the Poles seem to be gaining ground at some points.

Premiers Lloyd George and Millerand are expected to meet at Hythe tomorrow. It is expected by that time the Soviet government will have announced a cessation of hostilities.

Long and other government officials yesterday.

It is certain there will not be an immediate break in the negotiations between the Allies and the Soviet government, and it is believed possible the French and British premiers may have before them propositions from Moscow which would assist them in dealing with the serious situation confronting Poland.

Roumania's Attitude. London, Aug. 7.—Roumania's attitude in the Russo-Polish conflict is one of the strictest neutrality, but in event of any trouble arising between the Roumanians will co-operate with the remainder of the Allies, according to the Roumanian minister of finance, who said that Great Britain to that effect yesterday.

Conference at Hythe. Paris, Aug. 7.—Premier Millerand will leave at 7 o'clock tonight for Hythe, Eng., where he will confer with Premier Lloyd George relative to the Polish situation. Newspapers here declare that Marshal Foch will be present.

Johannesburg, East Prussia, Aug. 7.—Reports from the Bolsheviki army here assert that the plans of the Russian general staff are to delay an offensive against Poland while the boundaries of Russia are established as they existed in 1914.

Paris, Aug. 7.—Opposition to intervention in Poland against the Russian Bolsheviki on the part of the French united Socialist party has resulted in that organization appealing to members to take action intended to prevent France from becoming involved in the struggle before Warsaw.

Montreal's New Government Charter Commission Confirms Recommendations — New Body Will Have Nine Members and City Manager.

Montreal, Aug. 7.—The ten points relating to city government as recommended by the sub-committee of the commission were confirmed yesterday by the Charter Commission. These suggestions, which had previously been all approved by the commission, include that the city of Montreal be a governing body to be known as the council, consisting of nine members, that there be one electoral district, that the mayor be appointed by the council that a city manager shall be appointed and that the municipal elections shall be conducted on the principle of proportional representation.

HON. G. BRYSON BADLY INJURED Thrown From Carriage at Fort Coulonge Yesterday — Condition Critical.

Ottawa, Aug. 7.—(Canadian Press)—Hon. George Bryson, member of the Quebec legislative council, was seriously injured yesterday when he was thrown from a carriage in which he was driving near his home at Fort Coulonge, Quebec, late yesterday indicated that his condition was considered critical, but Dr. Muldwin, physician in charge, stated that he was slightly improved last night.

CONJECTURE AS TO WHERE ARCHBISHOP MANNIX WILL LAND

Liverpool Prepared to Give Him Hearty Welcome — Rumors of Move to Prevent Demonstration — Late Irish News.

Liverpool, Aug. 7.—"If Archbishop Mannix lands here, we will give him a reception such as never before has been accorded any Irishman in Liverpool," said Councillor J. P. Kelly, president of the Irish Self-Determination League and an ardent Sinn Feiner.

Prominent Irishmen estimate that fully 80,000 people reside in Liverpool, Manchester and nearby cities will participate.

Just where the reception is to take place has not yet been announced, but it is stated that it will not be at the landing stage, which the authorities declared to be closed to all but duly authorized persons.

Canon Madden, a cousin of Archbishop Mannix, has been chosen to present an address. It is even intimated that the freedom of the city of Dublin may be conferred on him in Liverpool.

All sorts of reports are in circulation as to what the government intends to do to balk the demonstrators. One of them is that the archbishop will be taken off the Baltic by a government craft before the steamer reaches Liverpool and landed at some other port, perhaps Southampton. It is rumored the Irish channel will be patrolled by destroyers to guard against the archbishop being taken aboard some unauthorised craft and spirited away to Ireland.

London, Aug. 7.—In view of the report of the possibility of rioting in Liverpool, the government has decided that Archbishop Mannix shall not be allowed to land there, says the Daily Mail.

The newspaper quotes "an authoritative source in close touch with the matter as saying the archbishop may land at Avonmouth, Plymouth or Southampton, or that he may be taken off the Baltic on a tug and landed on some unnamed place."

Cork, Aug. 7.—Although ocean liners usually wireless their position to Ireland two days before their arrival at Queenstown, no word has thus far been received from the Baltic. Archbishop Mannix, on board, and it is assumed here he is taking the southern course and will proceed to Southampton.

Last evening the corporation decided to confer the freedom of the city of Cork upon Archbishop Mannix. Alderman O'Sullivan, who is acting for the lord mayor during the latter's absence from Dublin, declared last night:—"The freedom of the city is presented somewhere in Australia, if necessary."

Dublin, Aug. 7.—Two hundred soldiers yesterday raided and wrecked six houses in the villages of Doon, according to advices received here from Thurles.

MAY USE NEW SAFETY DEVICE

Marine Department Here Is Negotiating with Yarmouth for Use of a Trihedron — A New Invention.

J. C. Chesley, agent of the Marine and Fisheries Department office in this city, has written to Yarmouth, saying that there is now under consideration the placing of a trihedron at some point near there where steamers are plying and where the ships sometimes use search lights.

The trihedron is a new invention and its object is to give ships with the aid of their searchlight their correct position. When they are used, and they can be moderately thick weather, and are thrown in the direction of the trihedron, it reflects back to the ship and the mark it readily defines its location. Yarmouth has as many advantages as any port along the coast and is considered the best point under ordinary conditions to place it to make the experiment. The department has asked for suggestions as to where would be the best place to locate.

The matter has been considered by members of the harbor board and also by Captain Kinney, of the Boston and Yarmouth Steamship Company, who has taken the matter up with the masters of the ships of that line and in out of this port. It has been suggested, and the suggestion is worthy of much favorable consideration on the part of the department, that a spindle, provided it is at all possible, be established on Sallows Neck. As the trihedron is a new invention and the department is only experimenting with it, they feel confident that they have something worth while and are prepared to give it a thorough trial.

SENT UP FOR TRIAL ON ASSAULT CHARGE Quebec, Aug. 7.—(Canadian Press)—George Marcoux and Wilfrid Gagnon, charged with criminal assault on a school teacher, have been committed for trial to the fall term of the criminal assizes.

VETERAN OPERATOR DEAD. Montreal, Aug. 7.—Rudolph A. Boyle, fifty-seven years old, a veteran C. P. R. telegraph operator, died instantly at the site of the Colonial Cafe, this city, last night. He was going into the cafe when he suddenly collapsed and when the ambulance was summoned, he was found to be dead.

Boyle expected to be transferred to Sydney from the press dispatch department of the C. P. R. within a day or two. He worked in the Calgary office a few years ago.

\$1,500,000 CO. FOR NOVA SCOTIA

International Gypsum Corporation of Annapolis Royal — Other Companies Incorporated.

Ottawa, Aug. 7.—(Canadian Press)—Joint stock companies incorporated during the past week include the following: The International Gypsum Corporation, Annapolis Royal, N. S., \$1,500,000; The Haver Small Mills Company, Ltd., Cookshire, Que., \$50,000.

The Magog and Newport Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., Montreal, \$300,000. Quebec, Aug. 7.—(Canadian Press)—The general condition of business throughout Canada seems to be very satisfactory. With good fruit crops in the east and a better than ordinary grain crop in the west, wholesalers and manufacturers look for a busy fall, says the weekly trade report of the Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association.

TRADE CONDITIONS REPORTED GOOD

Optimistic Report of Credit Men's Trust Association.

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FOREST FIRES IN MANITOBA

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 7.—Two forest fires raging in northern Manitoba are endangering thousands of dollars worth of timber, one on the east side of Lake Winnipeg at the headwaters of the Manitogagan river and the other on the east side of Lake Winnipegosis, north of Lake Pickering, according to word received yesterday by the Winnipeg office of the Dominion Forest Service. The situation is rendered more acute by the fact that the north country is drier than it has been for twenty years, officials said.

Canadian Is Chairman. Springfield, Mass., Aug. 7.—Andrew May, Winnipeg, was chosen joint chairman of the Universal Craftsmen Council of Engineers of the World at the conference of the organization here yesterday.

Andrew Benner, Cleveland, was elected grand chief.

SHOWERS. Maritime—light to moderate south-west to southeast winds; partly fair with a few scattered showers.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

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