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TRAMPS 2,485 MILES
Santiago, Chile, June 25—After having tramped 2,485 miles from Rio Janeiro, a Brazilian boy Scout named Alvaro Da Silva has arrived here.

Advocate a Gasoline Tax For Upkeep of Provincial Roads

FOR ROADWORKERS CLEARING

FEDERAL AIDS A NECESSITY FOR HIGHWAYS

Interesting Addresses at the Good Roads Convention in St. Andrews.

THE GASOLINE TAX New Brunswick Roads Receive the Highest Price From Visitors.

(Special to Times-Star.) Algonquin Hotel, St. Andrews, N. B., June 25.—The program for this morning's session of the convention of the Canadian Good Roads Association consisted chiefly of papers and discussions on technical matters pertaining to the administration in connection with the road building and maintenance. Hon. C. W. Chisholm, Minister of Highways for Nova Scotia, presided. J. Lefebvre Boulanger, Deputy Minister of Highways for Quebec, read a fine paper on cost systems which, while technical, was greatly appreciated, particularly by the departmental officials of the provinces represented.

Other Addresses. Representatives are present from as far west as Winnipeg and from Washington. Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, in her address of welcome, told some of the romantic history of St. Andrews and its surroundings. The town was founded in 1783 by Loyalists, she said, and traces of their handiwork were still to be found. Passamaquoddy Bay was named by the Indians, the name meaning "smiling waters," she explained, and the River St. Croix, up which the delegates would sail tomorrow, was "the river of the holy cross," and she would show them how this stream, in its windings, forms a Latin cross.

United States System. Hon. G. S. Henry, Ontario Minister of Highways, was chairman of the evening session, and introduced Dr. L. E. Hewes, Deputy Chief Engineer, United States Bureau of Public Roads, Washington, who spoke on "Federal aid." The United States federal aid provisions had to do with a total mileage of 197,000 miles, and \$840,000,000 had been expended. Dr. Hewes outlined in detail the workings of the Federal aid under which the Government pays 80 per cent. of the cost of road construction, except in eleven western states in which there are some 12,000 miles of highways known as "forest high ways" which pass through national forest reserves and on which the Government pays a considerable higher percentage of construction cost, bringing the rate as high as 80 per cent. in some parts of Nevada. The act was put in force in 1916.

An Ontario View. Hon. F. G. McDermid, Rodney, Ont., discussed the question of who shall pay for the roads. He said the demand for good roads comes from all classes of people and it is obvious that the people who use the roads should pay for them. The levy should be based upon the value received and the ability to pay; and that, he thought, left the Dominion Government with an obligation to discharge in the construction of highways. The Provincial Governments and civic government also had an obligation, he said, and proceeded to show how these bodies all derive direct benefits from the improvement of highways in general. A tax of gasoline was urged as one of the means of raising road-building funds.

C. A. Mullen, director of the paving department of a Montreal construction company, expressed his surprise that the gasoline tax had not been more generally developed for road maintenance. He believed, however, that if such a tax were instituted its expenditure should be supervised by motor leagues. Hon. J. A. MacDonald, Minister of Public Works in Prince Edward Island, was strongly in favor of the gasoline tax, which had been applied in his province, at the rate of two cents a gallon, the funds going toward maintenance. Referring to compliments paid by afternoon speakers to New Brunswick roads, the Premier said the praise was due to the efficient highway engineers. Regarding that part of the subject title of his address asking "who shall (Continued on page 2, seventh column)

Maughan's Record Flight Cost \$102

(United Press.) San Francisco, Cal., June 25.—Lieutenant Russell Maughan's epoch-making dawn to dusk flight from New York to San Francisco cost just \$102 for gas and oil, he revealed today, after checking his log book. Maughan will fly back to Mitchell Field, Mineola, N. Y., late this week, but will not attempt a west to east actual flying time of 24 hours matter until the next time. The latest trip ever made between the two cities. Maughan was asked to describe his flight over the radio sometime before leaving Grassy Field.

WILL INVITE ROBB TO VISIT HALIFAX

No Practical Steps Yet Taken in Regard to Grain Elevator.

Halifax, N. S., June 25.—Colonel Alexander Montgomery, president, and R. B. Colwell, vice-president, reported at the Board of Trade Council yesterday on an interview with Hon. Thomas Robb, Minister of Trade and Commerce with regard to the proposed grain elevator at Halifax. The project was recently discussed at Ottawa, and the sum of \$200,000 re-voted, but, as far as could be learned, no practical steps have yet been taken towards its erection, and it was decided to invite Mr. Robb to visit Halifax either on his return to the British Exhibition, which he is planning to attend, or on his return.

BRITISH WIVES FIGHT FOOD COSTS

Organizing Buyers' Strike as Prices Are on the Up Grade.

(British United Press.) London, June 25.—British housewives are organizing a buyers' strike in protest against the rise in foodstuff prices. Flour, butter, cheese and bacon have already risen in price, whilst sugar and other commodities are expected to follow suit. The provision merchants predict a continuation of the upward trend and expect a marked increase in living costs. The league of the new housewives' league maintain that the rise in prices is due to the manipulations of rings and cartels, and they are organizing for a national revolt against present prices. The rise in the price of cheese is said to be partly due to the growing popularity of the Canadian product in the United States market and the increasing demand from America.

Veteran Taylor Plays Great Golf

Hoylake, England, June 25.—The field of 87 golfers who qualified yesterday for play in the British open championship rested today in preparation for the two-day championship competition which will open over the Royal Liverpool links here tomorrow morning. It took superlative shooting to gain admission to the select circle, averaging 48 or 49 being necessary, as only cards of 108 and under qualified the entrants. The field was led by the veteran J. H. Taylor, with a remarkable 142. The championship play is over 12 holes.

Wire Briefs

Akyah, Burmah, June 25.—Stuart MacLaren, British world flyer, hopped off today for Rangoon. Ottawa, June 25.—The Senate will sit today. The Commons will debate the parliamentary committee's report on the Murdock charges. Rangoon, British India, June 25.—The United States round-the-world air expedition left Rangoon today for Chittagong, province of Bengal. The distance of the projected jump is approximately 800 miles. New York, June 25.—Sterling exchange steady. Demand rates (in cents): Great Britain 42 1/2; France 228; Italy 432; Germany (per trillion) .237; Canadian dollars 1 1/4 per cent. discount. Fredericton, N. B., June 25.—The New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society opened their annual meeting here this morning. The business session is to be followed by a recreational visit to one of the summer camps on the St. John river. Ottawa, June 25.—Correspondence between the Federal Government and the Government of Prince Edward Island regarding the refusal of the Lieutenant Governor of that province to assent to legislation passed by the Provincial Legislature will be tabled in the House in a few days.

KLAN ISSUE IS LOOMING LARGE AT CONVENTION

Democrats Express a Fear That Religious Issue Will Come.

TALK WALSH NOW

Senator Gains Some Mention as Another "Dark Horse" Candidate.

(United Press Staff Correspondent.) Madison Square Garden, New York, June 25.—As the issue of the Klan and League of Nations fought to emerge dominant for the coming campaign, the Democratic National Convention opened its second session with the likelihood of hearing the first ringing appeals on behalf of the presidential candidates. After waiting into the early morning hours over the platform, the Resolutions Committee appears unlikely to have its report ready for today's session. As a result, the rules committee is ready with a report favoring nominating speeches for presidential candidates. This rule, along with others to guide the Convention, will be submitted immediately after permanent organization is effected early this afternoon, and Senator Thomas Walsh, the permanent chairman, complains that the organization is in a state of confusion. As a result, the rules committee is ready with a report favoring nominating speeches for presidential candidates. This rule, along with others to guide the Convention, will be submitted immediately after permanent organization is effected early this afternoon, and Senator Thomas Walsh, the permanent chairman, complains that the organization is in a state of confusion.

No Cash? Then No Polar Airplanes

Christiania, June 25.—A despatch from Pisa states that the aeroplane factory which constructed the planes for the Amundsen expedition, has refused to deliver the ready and tested machines until the sale of 10,000 pounds on the purchase price is paid. The explorer is unable to raise the required sum within ten days, the despatch states. Italy will organize a polar air expedition under the Italian flag, using Amundsen's planes as far as possible and placing the leadership of the expedition under Lieutenant Locajelli.

BRITISHER HULK ON FLATS; FIVE DEAD

Terrific Gasoline Explosion on Freighter Brings Fearful Deaths—More May Die.

(United Press.) New York, June 25.—A heat-rusted hulk beached on Gowanus Flats today was all that remained of the British steamer Egremont Castle, following a terrific gasoline explosion on the ship late yesterday. Five men are missing and six are in hospitals, possibly fatally burned. The missing men are believed to have been incinerated in the searing fire which turned the steel vessel into a red-hot cauldron as hundreds of cases of gasoline, kerosene, naphtha and oil fed the blaze. The ship, under charter of the Standard Oil Company, was loaded for the Far East when the explosion came, hurling many workers clear of the hold and trapping others. The cause of the explosion was not clear as investigators questioned men connected with loading the ship today. All the cases had been inspected for leakage before being lowered into the hold.

CUMMINS FLAYS MEXICAN RULERS

Says There Can Be No British Recognition of Obregon Government.

El Paso, Texas, June 25.—Mexican authorities, by their conduct, have defeated all hope of British recognition, H. A. Cummins, British agent, who left Mexico City after having directed an expulsion order of President Obregon, declared yesterday upon his arrival here to visit friends. "The acts of those who rule in Mexico today represent neither the character nor sentiments, nor are they worthy of the Mexican people," Mr. Cummins said. "There can be no suggestion that those acts could offend British respect or dignity. They merely demonstrate rudeness, lack of calm, and should be treated with patience and pity. The inexactitudes and deliberate exaggeration of the Government, however, know no limits, and that is more disheartening than their impulsive acts which merely show lack of restraint."

Police Must Learn To Be Fleet Footed

Los Angeles, June 25.—The police here are being put through a course in physical culture by Captain Walter Yant, former physical director of the 91st division at Camp Lewis. Explaining the need for the course, Captain Yant said: "Very few policemen can run three blocks or even two. Few can go up or down a rope. Having big muscles and being able to lift heavy weights does not mean physical fitness. Some don't know how to breathe."

HONOR CONFERRED ON DR. ROBERTS

Chairman of Health Section of Canadian Council of Child Welfare. Toronto, June 25.—The Canadian Council on Child Welfare last evening approved the "Children's Charter" promulgated by the Geneva Conference of the League of Nations for the Protection of Children. Although the "Children's Charter" has already received approval in 23 nations, the Canadian Council on Child Welfare is the first organization in the Dominion to give the charter its approval. Mrs. Charles Thornburn, Ottawa, was elected president, and Dr. Helen R. Y. Reid, Montreal, and Dr. C. A. Jost, Halifax, vice-presidents. Hon. Dr. Roberts, St. John, N. B., was elected chairman of the Child Health section. Miss Mona J. Wilson, Charlottetown, was made a member of the governing council.

TOMORROW WILL END DEBATE ON CHURCH UNION

It was Discussed in Commons Until the Early Morning Hours.

THE CASE REVIEWED

Dr. MacLaren and William Duff Present Arguments of Those Opposed.

Ottawa, June 25.—In the Commons last night the Church Union Bill was debated until the small hours without reaching a division, which will come on Thursday if the present programme is carried out on time. The private bills committee had amended the preamble in such a way as to provide that without killing the bill its operation be delayed two years, and then become effective only if the courts in an action now pending in Ontario should sustain its constitutionality. The Rev. Mr. Brown, M. P. of Lisgar, one of the most aggressive champions of Union, proposed to sweep out the amendment and to leave the bill in its original form, except that its general operation would be delayed one year, although the vote of the congregations may be taken after December next. He provided what proved the key note of his argument, which followed from that side of the case, the contention persistently reiterated being that the churches have a right to unite, that they have conferred to the Presbyterians church and the General Assembly should, and particularly that Parliament in other words the State, has no right to interfere with the merger of the churches. (Continued on page 3, second column)

WOULD DRIVE OUT THE ANGLO-SAXONS

Foreign Settlers in Alberta District Defy the Laws of Canada.

Edmonton, June 25.—Defying constituted authority, a group of Radicals or Communists, in an attempt to completely dominate the country near Valhalla, in the Grand Prairie district, have instituted threats of violence against settlers of Anglo-Saxon birth, according to a farmer of the neighborhood who arrived here yesterday.

WAS BORN IN U. S. Parents Out; Little Ones Die in Fire

Dumini, Who Confessed Part in Italian Kidnapping—Great Dragnet Out.

(United Press.) Rome, June 25.—Amerigo Dumini, former attaché of the press bureau of the Ministry of the Interior, who confessed to a part in the kidnapping and murder of Socialist Deputy Matteotti, was born in St. Louis, Mo., it was learned today. Dumini's parents were Italian. This information was forthcoming when the police threw a huge dragnet over the entire country, not only for the purpose of catching anyone identified with the Matteotti affair, but to apprehend intimate acquaintances of suspects in a hope of turning up fresh clues.

MAY INVESTIGATE MONTREAL POLICE

Displeasure Expressed by Mr. Justice Wilson—Will Tony Frank Speak?

Montreal, June 25.—Chief Pierre Belanger said here last night that there would be an inquiry into a statement made by Louis Morel just prior to his sentence for murder on Monday that Constable Prevost had seen him (Morel) and some of the others who attacked the Hochelaga Bank collection constables on the local force by the name of Prevost and all have been instructed to report at the chief's office tomorrow. With the expression of displeasure regarding the police department uttered by Mr. Justice Wilson in the Court of King's Bench yesterday, the next step seems to be a thorough police investigation. The latest rumor which R. L. Calder, K. C., crown prosecutor, declares without foundation as far as he is aware, is that Tony Frank, fallen monarch of the underworld, now under sentence to hang October 24, has expressed a desire to reveal a number of what are said to be astonishing crimes and to expose many persons who have played parts in crimes over a number of years in this city.

Greatest Dope Cache in History



Hidden carefully beneath a shipment of brushes \$1,500,000 in morphine, opium, heroin and other drugs were found hidden by customs officers at New York. This greatest dope seizure in the history of narcotic smuggling has resulted in the disclosure of an international ring with headquarters at Bremen, Germany. Two men are under arrest as American agents of the ring.

Burglar Prefers Longer Term To Pleading Guilty Before Son

John Bernauer, who was caught in the home of J. P. Morgan in 1912, was arraigned before Judge Talley in General Sessions last week under an arrangement by which he was to plead guilty as a first offender and receive a light sentence. But just as he was about to plead his wife came into the court room with their twelve-year-old son, and for the first time in his life Bernauer saw the boy who bears his name. Bernauer stopped when his wife and the boy came in. Then he started to plead. But his voice broke; he heaved, and finally he lifted his head and said firmly that he had changed his mind and would plead not guilty. "I couldn't stand there in front of him and say that I had been robbing people." Because Bernauer would not admit his guilt in front of the son he had never seen before he will probably go to prison for many more years than he would have received had he gone through with the arrangement made by his counsel. Judge Talley immediately remanded Bernauer to jail, and directed that new indictments be sought against him as a second offender. The specific charge on which he was arraigned was the robbery of the apartment of Langdon Harris, in 303 West 103rd street, where he was found three weeks after he had been released from prison last May. Bernauer first appeared in the police records when he was caught in the Morgan home by a servant. He was sent to prison, and shortly afterward his son was born. In 1918 he was released, but was arrested again and sent away for two years before he could see his family. Other arrests and convictions kept him in prison until last May. Mrs. Bernauer learned that her husband was to be arraigned again, and decided to take her son to court to see him. He was arraigned yesterday, and the judge said he would be examined by the judge to see if he should go to a hospital again.

Lightning Exploded Dynamite, Six Killed

Winston, Salem, N. C., June 25.—Six men, one a negro, were killed late yesterday when lightning struck a quarry shed near here in which they had taken shelter from a storm, and exploded 150 pounds of dynamite. The explosion was felt for a radius of two miles.

Weather Report

Toronto, June 25.—The barometer remains low from the Great Lakes to the Maritime Provinces and high to the westward. Rain has fallen quite generally in southern Ontario during the night. Elsewhere the weather has been fine. The temperature is a little below normal in Ontario and the west. Forecast—Gulf and North Shore—Moderate westerly winds; mostly fair today and on Thursday; a few scattered showers. Showery. Maritime—Moderate to fresh southwest and west winds; showery tonight and Thursday. Northern New England—Thunderstorms this afternoon or early tonight; cooler tonight; Thursday, fair, moderate temperature, fresh southwest to northwest winds. Toronto, June 25.—Temperatures—Lowest Highest during 8 a.m. yesterday, night. Victoria . . . 48 64 48 Kamloops . . . 52 82 50 Calgary . . . 44 72 40 Edmonton . . . 48 74 44 Winnipeg . . . 58 78 48 Montreal . . . 70 78 64 St. John . . . 58 62 48 Halifax . . . 62 78 54 New York . . . 76 84 72

JAPAN WILL BE INVITED TO THE JULY CONFERENCE

The United States Also to be Asked to Send Representative.

HERRIOT PLEASSED

Belgium Satisfied—Believed Germany Will Accept Note on Disarmament.

(United Press.) Paris, June 25.—"I am entirely satisfied with the results of my trip," was all Premier Edouard Herriot would say to the press when he returned home early today after a visit to the British and Belgian governments. The Premier was greeted at the station by the new ministers and radical leaders. (Canadian Press.) Brussels, June 25.—Premier Theunis, after yesterday's conferences with Premier Herriot of France, said that he had every reason to be satisfied with the results of the exchanges of views at Chequers Court and Brussels. Close Co-operation. Regarding the conversations an official communique says: "They give hope of close co-operation between Great Britain, France, Italy and Belgium, with the view of assuring the application of the experts' plan." The tendency in Belgian political circles is to attribute no other significance to the conference of the premiers than an indication of the disposition all around to apply the Dawes' plan. Japan Invited. London, June 25.—The United States will be invited to send a representative to the proposed Allied Conference in London in July, in any capacity the United States Government thinks fit. The British Government is preparing the invitations. Japan will be invited among the nations invited. It is hoped Premier Mussolini of Italy will be able to represent his nation in person at the conference. Paris, June 25.—(United Press.)—The cabinet held a brief meeting today. Premier Herriot reporting on his recent conversation in London and Brussels toward application of the experts' plan for settling the German reparations question. The Premier commented that Germany will accept the Franco-British note on disarmament.

GEO. T. BURPEE IS DEAD IN WEST

One of Founders of Sheffield Academy Passes Away in Vancouver.

Word of the death of Geo. T. Burpee, in Vancouver, B. C., has reached St. John. Mr. Burpee was born in Sheffield, N. B., on March 30, 1842. He took his B. A. at the U. N. B., and was by the same class with the late Dr. Atherton. After graduating, he taught school in Sheffield, and later he and Dr. Thos. Harrison, who was later Dean of the U. N. B., founded the Sheffield Academy to which a good many St. John and Fredericton boys attended. At the closing of the Academy, Mr. Burpee was appointed on the astronomical survey of the international boundary. After that he was appointed on teaching staff in St. John, where he taught for a number of years. He was married in 1881 to Miss Tillie Parks who died some years ago. Four daughters survive—Mrs. J. H. Parks of Vernon, B. C.; Miss Lella of Vancouver, B. C.; Mrs. R. Treherne of Ottawa, and Mrs. Harry Treherne of London, Eng.; also two brothers—Moses of Houlton, Me., and Tyler of Sheffield, N. B., and one sister, Mrs. Louisa Hawes of Maplewood, New Jersey.

Teachers Meet in Moncton Today

Moncton, N. B., June 25.—With a large representation of teachers present, the Provincial Teachers' Institute of New Brunswick opened here this morning. Sessions will continue until Friday afternoon. Many teachers from all parts of New Brunswick have arrived here.

Advertisement for 'MOTHER THRIFT?' featuring a woman with a basket and a price of \$35 in cash prizes. Text: 'Can You Find "MOTHER THRIFT?" Thirty-five dollars in cash will be given as awards in a fascinating contest to be run in tomorrow's Times. All you have to do is find the duplicate of this picture and follow the instructions appearing in full on another page in tomorrow's Times. Here is Your Chance All you have to do is Buy an Evening Times-Star Tomorrow and See How Good Your Eyesight is.'