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DECLARE CHINA REPUBLIC DR. SUN YAT SEN PRESIDENT

Decision of Nanking Conference Means That Imperial Troops Will Be Ordered to Lay Down Their Arms and Manchu Rule Will End—Premier Yuan's Appeal Failed.

NANKING, Dec. 28.—Dr. Sun Yat Sen has been unanimously elected president of the republic of China.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 28.—(Can. Press.)—Sun Yat Sen's election as president of the republic by the Nanking Conference to-day means that the peace conference between Wu Ting Fang and Tang Shao Yi is closed. The president will assume charge of all negotiations. The continuance of these negotiations with Yuan Shi Kai as the representative of the retiring Manchu royalty, will depend entirely upon the immediate withdrawal of all the so-called imperial troops from all points of contact with the revolutionaries. Under these conditions the armistice will be extended for ten days in order to give President Sun time to issue the terms under which the Manchus must lay down their arms and to decide upon pensions and other preliminary details.

The president, or head of the military government now established, with the capital at Nanking, will treat the court as a thing of the past, because eighteen provinces have already voted in favor of a republic in a properly constituted convention, and the edict recently issued at Peking says that if a representative convention favors a republic, the throne will abdicate.

ENDED LIFE IN JUNIOR SCHOOL
Woodstock Man, Unhappily Married, Shot Himself Thru Head.

WOODSTOCK, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Closing as his death bed the platform in the Sunday school room of Dundas-st. Methodist Church, Joseph Rogers, a resident of this city, committed suicide this afternoon by blowing his brains out with a .22 calibre revolver.

The body of the unfortunate man was found by an employe of a local firm, who went to lay some carpet in the Sunday school room. It was lying in a pool of blood, and the man's head was resting on his overcoat, which had been neatly folded before the shooting took place.

Rogers attended prayer meeting in the church last night and it is thought that he remained in the building all night. Deceased was a married man, but has been living apart from his wife for some time.

WE'VE GOT SLUMS ALL RIGHT
Dr. Hastings, M.H.O., and Father Vaughan somewhat disagree on the conditions of Toronto's poorer districts.

Father Vaughan took a trip thru part of the district which is an eye-sore to Toronto, and afterwards said that "Toronto is free from slums."

Dr. Hastings, on the other hand, said that Father Vaughan's statements are apt to be refuted, and that he must be guided by a man who knows the city well and therefore avoid the filthy, unsanitary places, or else he must have a very poor idea of what the slum means.

The medical health officer has just completed an extensive 38-page report of Toronto's slums, which is illustrated with photographs.

Flag for St. Kitts Scouts
OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—(Can. Press.)—General Sir R. Baden-Powell, the distinguished British soldier and originator of the boy scout movement all over the world, is going to the United States for an official visit, and he will bring with him the British flag presented by King George to the St. Catharines troop of Ontario for having the most King's Scouts.

This troop had six scouts who have qualified in the twenty-four different examinations, which enables them to be King's Scouts.

The Dominion secretary of boy scouts will leave for New York about the middle of January to receive the flag from General Sir R. Baden-Powell, and he will bring it to Ottawa for the Dominion Council to make the presentation to the St. Catharines troop.

Gen. Sir R. Baden-Powell will be unable to visit Canada on that occasion, but may do so next October.

Would Help Workingmen

When Sir Wilfrid Laurier declared that the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific would provide employment for Canadian workmen for the next ten years, The Globe heartily agreed with and applauded his argument.

The construction of the tube would provide work for Toronto workmen for the next five years.

It would mean more than the expenditure of \$5,000,000 by the city for the tube. Two radials, the Monarch and the Western Central, are only awaiting an entrance to the city to commence construction, and there is no doubt that they would spend another \$5,000,000.

This would mean the expenditure of \$10,000,000 in Toronto and vicinity in the next five years.

Toronto workmen, what do you think of it?

WE MUST KEEP UP!

If Toronto is now to confess that she is unable to keep up to the procession it will be an end of her forward movement. She has to keep up, and as a city she must handle the municipal problems of each year in the year in which they arise. For two years we have delayed dealing with the floor-street congestion that exists, if we do not catch up now there will be a bigger mess next year.

Now take the question of the tubes. That is not a half-baked scheme, as The Telegram contends. It has been worked out by the city engineers; it has been studied by experts from New York and it has been reported on by the council. It is the only plan made by the City of Toronto in building a tube north and south parallel with Yonge-street, and which will connect the north and south ends of the city. It will be a part of a greater tube system. As soon as built it will give an entrance to all the radial lines that are at the north and south stations that are at the north with the Union Station by a twelve-minute trip, and it will connect up all the city surface lines, and in that way give all the newer parts of the city a single fare rapid transit. It will make the street car lines respectable.

Therefore, vote for the tubes and all the other bylaws.

On this line of not keeping up to our needs it is the universal mark of a condition of affairs throughout Canada, and that is the mark of God that it is so. The railways of the west are not able to keep up to the requirements of the west; the towns of the west are not able to keep up to the requirements of the business of the west, and more towns are called for; the banks of the west are not able to do the business of the west and more capital and banking facilities are required. And in the east here it is pretty much the same thing. Everything is overstrained in Toronto and Montreal, and every business concern is overstrained and every man is unable to do the business of his own town.

Even in this city banks are not able to handle their business. Go into the Bank of Toronto, at the corner of Front and Church, and see them trying to do their business in the old-fashioned building they have there. Fortunately they have looked ahead and are now building a new bank building into it. It is a constant fight with them to do their business, and the other banks in Toronto, notwithstanding many enlargements and additions, are many of them unable to do what they are to do.

Take the newspapers that are opposing the progressive lead in Toronto. They find that they have had to enlarge and increase their accommodation. They have never said that they were going to lie down and wait awhile. On the contrary they are doing their best to keep up to the times. Why not the City of Toronto?

A great city like Toronto can afford to vote for all the bylaws and keep them going, and if we don't do it now we will have a bigger mess next year. The business men of Toronto can see our point and we know that the business men will vote for all the measures to be submitted on Monday next. Don't be a Little Yorky, but be a Big Torontoian.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL SILENT.

Attorney-General Foy declined to make any statement yesterday, one way or the other, when asked if he had anything to say about the rumored reopening of the Klirade case.

Level Crossing Inquest.

Coroner M. M. Crawford's jury returned a verdict of accidental death at the morgue yesterday in the case of Robert Brooks, who was struck by a C. P. R. engine at the Albany-ave. crossing Dec. 18.

ANTI-TUBE TALK GIVEN LOCAL DENIAL

Controller Spence States That the Northern Parts of the City Are Not Growing Fast Enough for Tubes—Says So in Midway—Is Midway Growing?

Last night Controller Spence held a mass meeting of 35 residents of Rhodes-avenue in the Presbyterian Church lecture hall. J. McEwing McNeil presided. Three aldermanic candidates, W. D. Robbins, W. J. Saunders and P. A. Johnson, asked for the support of the voters present. Spence, in his opening remarks, alluding to the amendments, and judged by Controller Spence's bad luck this week, he may have been born under it. On Monday he was lashed by the news of the surface railway treasury with all its terrible object lessons.

On Tuesday night he changed his health, suffering for a number of hours, waiting for an overdue Dundas-street car, to take him to a destination, which under the tube system will be reached in seven minutes, instead of the half hour, which he had to stand strap holding.

On Wednesday night his meeting was distinctly in vain, as he said in his tube proposals, including the chairman, yesterday evening the environment of his meeting suited his latest argument against the tube system. Controller Spence's news argument is arithmetical in form, and sectional in its appeal. He undertakes to install the belief that the city's growth is wrong in his figures by declaring them to be fallacious.

The controller has added to his limelight views, a statement in black and white of the city engineer's figures, which he ridicules. He argues that it is an absurdity to say that the never land in the northern part of the city will grow three times as fast as the rest of the city. The hall in the district, he said, is a great deal of the city's growth, and confirmed the engineer's figures.

Mayor Clashes With Temperance Folk

Disagreement Over Appointment of Scrutinizers for Reduction bylaw in Kingston Grows Warm.

KINGSTON, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—There was a lively time in office of Mayor Graham at the city hall this afternoon when temperance people and his worship had a clash over the appointment of scrutinizers for the bylaw to be presented on Jan. 1, asking for the reduction of liquor licenses. The mayor appointed as his scrutinizers four men in four divisions, and when temperance people asked him to make changes he refused.

OLD HERMIT FOUND DEAD IN LONELY SHACK

Joseph Bradley, 54 years old, was found dead last night about 10 o'clock in a lonely shack on the Vaughan-road, where he had been living the life of a recluse for some time past. Four play is suspected, as the coroner Dr. Charles H. Gilmore could find no evidences about the place that the man had been sick. He was lying fully dressed on a cot. He had been dead several hours when found, and a victim of foul play, his assistant left no traces of his work, either on the old man's body nor about the shack.

The circumstances surrounding the old man's death are certainly peculiar, said Coroner Gilmore was unable to learn their addresses last night. He had not been living with his people for some time. County Constable McMullen is working on the case and will thoroughly search the premises to find any traces that might assist in the case. Bradley came to his death at a certain hour, and the place to indicate how he met his death.

A HOPELESS CASE



FALLEN WIRE DISRUPTS CITY'S TRAFFIC SYSTEM

Street Tracks So Overcrowded That Diversion of Cars From Queen Holds Up Cars on Almost Every Line.

One broken trolley wire on West Queen-street demoralized the Queen and Dundas lines, disorganized the rest of the city's street car lines and delayed a hundred thousand people during the busy hours last night.

The wire fell shortly before 4 p.m., and the ensuing diversion of the Queen and Dundas cars on to other lines threw every line in the city out of kilter.

The incident, small tho its cause, proved conclusively that running like clockwork, as the company's lines usually and fortunately do, they are still unable to carry the people to their homes without great delay, and with a comparatively small cause of trouble the beautifully oiled and regulated system goes to smash. And with a disruption, thousands and thousands of passengers have to wait many, many minutes longer than usual for the cars to take them home.

The Queen and Dundas lines are about the busiest lines in the city, as their traffic not only comes from the downtown districts, but from the numerous factories and warehouses scattered thru the large territory covered by them.

When the break occurred the Dundas cars were diverted down Bathurst to King, along King and up Yonge and thence west on Queen. Some of them were sent down Roncesvalles and along King. The Queen-st. cars were diverted down Bathurst and along King and Adelaide-st. This change considerably inconvenienced the passengers, who usually take these cars on Richmond-st.

Between 5 and 6 o'clock immense crowds gathered on the different corners of Richmond-st., and policemen had to be sent to direct them over to Yonge-st. and west.

Moreover, the diversion of these lines up Yonge-st. kept the regular cars, which use this route, very much behind. At the rush hour last night it was almost impossible for pedestrians to cross Yonge-st. anywhere between King and Queen owing to the congestion of cars going north and south.

Toronto's Traffic Problem.
A downtown man, who has observed and studied the question of street car service, said last night:

"The Toronto problem is the fact that the whole business district practically lies between York and Church and Queen and Front-sts. At the rush hours, between 5 and 6.30 p.m., there are considerably more than fifty thousand people to be provided with transportation from this district alone. It is a foregone conclusion that owing to the congestions of this district and also to the narrow streets, it is absolutely imperative that the city should have some other means of transportation—and that is a tube system."

Escaped After Felling Chief But Was Recaptured by Posse

Monette Locked Up at Mattawa for Forgery Murderously Assaulted Chief of Police McEroy, Who May Die—Got Away to Woods, But Liberty Short-lived.

NORTH BAY, Dec. 28.—(Can. Press.)—Chief of Police Robert McEroy of Mattawa was murderously assaulted by a prisoner, named Ernest Monette, alias Gagne, Page and Le Clair, whom he arrested on a charge of forgery and obtaining money under false pretences. Monette came up behind the chief at the lock-up and struck him on the head with a club, knocking him unconscious.

Town Clerk John McMeekin heard the noise, rushed in and was also attacked by the prisoner, who then made his escape to the woods surrounding the town. A posse was organized and Monette was recaptured. He was committed for trial, and brought before Judge Vahn at North Bay, pleading guilty to forgery. He was remanded for sentence, pending the outcome of Chief McEroy's injuries, which are serious and may possibly result fatally.

Passed Bogus Cheques.
Monette, under the name of Page, passed a cheque supposed to be signed by J. Lumbden, lumber dealer, for \$70 in payment for a \$10 suit of clothes, receiving \$60 change in cash. At another store, under the name of Le Clair, he passed a similar cheque for \$40 in payment for small purchases

CHINA DEFIANT IN ATTITUDE TO RUSSIA

Later Apparently Doesn't Care to Take Mongolia Under Its Care, But China Declines to Interfere With Separation of Big Area—Relations Badly Strained.

PEKIN, Dec. 28.—(Can. Press.)—In response to a direct request of the Russian Government, handed to the Chinese foreign office by the Russian charge d'affaires to-day, that China should promptly resume control of Mongolia, the Chinese Government declared its inability to comply at the present moment. The only action the government is able to take regarding Mongolia, the independence of which has been proclaimed, is the appointment of two commissioners, who have been ordered to proceed by way of the Trans-Siberian Railway, to Urga, the chief city, to persuade the Mongol authorities if possible to renew their allegiance to China. But in view of the present crisis it is probable that these commissioners will never leave Peking.

New Khan Proclaimed.
It is understood that the Kutuktu, who is the religious head of the Mongol Buddhists, was proclaimed khan to-day. According to the Lama doctrine this dignitary—the Kutuktu is the god-head and never dies, but passes after his apparent death, into the body of some newly-born boy, who is sought for afterwards according to the prophetic indications of the Delai Lama, in Tibet. The independence movement is largely religious. The dissatisfaction of the Mongolian people has been long-standing. The Russians say, owing to Chinese incapacity and corruption. The Chinese amans, or governors, have a ways plundered the Mongols and enriched themselves, while at the same time carrying on an unjust administration.

Show Contempt for Russia.
For several years past the Chinese have been aggravating Russia and have been treating her contemptuously since the Japanese defeated her. China is on her way to organize modern troops and take other military measures along the Russian frontier. Russia has often protested against this, and the Chinese foreign board has verbally agreed to the Russian demands, but has never fulfilled the promises. As late as October the foreign board's written reply evades Russia's demands.

Refused Protectorate.
The Russian legislation has contended that the Chinese preparations necessitated the maintenance by Russia of large and expensive military forces on the Mongolia borders. For the past month since the departure of the Chinese amban from Urga, the Russians say, they have been subjected to various annoyances, which included the interruption of the Trans-Mongolian Telegraph lines to Europe. Russian troops have been protecting lives and in-e-e in Mongolia, but the Russian Government does not desire the continuance of the expense and the annoyance.

Refused Protectorate.
Furthermore, outer Mongolia is adjacent to Russian territory and its future, and vote for all the bylaws and for Hocken and McCarthy as controllers.

Wife Taken Away By Croker Family
So Horse Trainer for J. R. Stratton Declares, and He Wants \$100,000 as Balm for Wounds.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—(Can. Press.)—Richard Croker, former leader of Tammany Hall, and his sons, Richard Croker, jr., and Howard Croker, were made joint defendants in a civil action begun to-day by John J. Breen, to recover \$100,000. Breen was married to Miss Ethel J. Croker, daughter of the former Tammany leader, on April 22, 1910, and alleges that his wife's affections were alienated by Croker and his two sons. Breen declares, in his complaint, that he and his wife lived peacefully, happily and harmoniously together until the defendants influenced and induced his wife to leave him.

Breen was a teacher of horsemanship when he and Miss Croker were married by a justice of the peace in Hoboken, N.J. It was said at the time that the family of the bride were much displeased at the marriage.

Breen has since his marriage, been horse trainer for James R. Stratton, ex-M.P. of Peterboro, Ont.

SPECIALS IN BIG FUR SALE.
The Dineen Company has on sale a very special and complete line of Canadian mink in scarfs, muffs, ties and capelines, made from selected pelts of last spring's trapping. Very finely finished garments, in the latest Parisian designs. These goods are included in the big after-Christmas sale now going on at Dineen's, and are being offered at very low prices.

RUSSIA BARS OUT S. A.
ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 28.—(Can. Press.)—The council of ministers has decided not to allow the Salvation Army to carry on its work in Russia.

Gen. William Booth, commander-in-chief of the Salvation Army, went to St. Petersburg in 1899 to negotiate with the government for permission to establish a branch of the Salvation Army in Russia. He was strongly opposed by the holy synod.

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