

TOKIO SWEEP BY FIRE: 1000 HOUSES GONE

Money Loss is Estimated at Over Twelve Million Dollars at Lowest.

MANY THOUSANDS ARE HOMELESS NOW

Imperial Gardens Opened as Place of Refuge for Swarms Who Lost Everything.

Tokio, March 27.—The whole city of Tokio was imperilled last night by the greatest fire with which it has been visited in a decade. The conflagration destroyed 1,000 houses in the Yotsuya district, in the north-western part of the city, involving a loss estimated at twenty-five million yen (nominally about \$12,500,000). Thousands of persons were made homeless, and 133 persons were injured. The burned buildings included three hospitals, a bank and several large business houses.

Checked With Refugees

Swarms of terror were witnessed in many sections as the conflagration threatened widespread destruction. The streets were choked with masses of despairing refugees from the districts already stricken, accompanied by carts loaded with furniture, the confusion being added to by the flooding in of high-pressure water from sections. Many of the half-frozen fugitives fleeing from the flames bore infants strapped to their backs.

Panics Were Threatened

Mounted police had great difficulty in restraining impatient people. As a measure of relief, the imperial gardens were opened to the sufferers. The fire burned so fiercely and with such intense brightness that the skies were illumined by a swamping light which was visible for hundreds of miles as it hung over the city.

RUSSIA NEEDS EDUCATED CLASS

But So Far Lenine Has Not Attempted to Form Coalition Government.

Helsingfors, March 27.—The Moscow and Petrograd Bolshevik newspapers of March 22 and 24, which were received here today, paint in official announcements a vivid picture of what appears to be a sweeping attempt to conciliate the opponents of the Soviets without the latter surrendering political control. A part of the apparent effort comprises an appeal by the Soviet government to Russian refugees abroad, in the course of which this passage occurs: "Some Things Suggested. "Russia in her re-construction work must rely not only upon her working men, but also upon her peasants and her intellectuals. Therefore, her new international relations oblige Russia to after her former stand regarding emigrants. The question of the means to utilize the forces of these refugees abroad, as their aid is most important in the work of reconstruction."

Cardinal's Body In Cathedral Today

In Church Robes It Will Lie in State Until Funeral on Thursday Next.

Baltimore, Md., March 27.—The body of James Cardinal Gibbons will be borne tomorrow morning from his bed chamber in the archiepiscopal residence into the cathedral where it will lie in state until Thursday morning. After the final Easter service in the cathedral tonight the catafalque was erected just outside the sanctuary at the head of the central aisle. The catafalque will be draped in rich cloths and the Cardinal's body, clothed in his vestments, will be placed upon it.

Below Zero For Winnipeg Easter

Winnipeg, March 27.—Below zero temperature with a strong northwest wind prevailed here all day today and was not conducive to Easter display. There was no tolling and winter garments were in high favor. The drops below zero were registered early in the morning.

British Flag Torn Down in Boston

American Veteran in Disgrace at Act Nailed It Back in Its Place.

Boston, Mass., Mar. 27.—A British flag flying from the Stars and Stripes from a window at the Clarendon Street home of Dr. Maynard Ladd, formerly a major in the American Red Cross, was torn down and trampled in the street today by some man who had been watching a parade in honor of Lord Mayor O'Callaghan of Cork. Neighbors rescued the flag and took it into Dr. Ladd's.

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Manna Falling in Asia Minor

U. S. Consul at Jerusalem Says Heavenly Food is Found There.

Washington, Mar. 27.—The feeding of the children of Israel upon manna from Heaven during their forty years of wandering in the wilderness was the subject of a sermon by the U. S. Consul at Jerusalem today. He said that manna is still found in the region of Upper Mesopotamia and Kurdistan and along the Persian frontier. It falls, he says, in the form of dew during September, October and November, and lodges upon the leaves of oak trees.

Three-Foot Easter Egg For President

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Constantinople, March 27.—The Greeks are making notable progress in their offensive against the Turkish Nationalists according to word received here yesterday. The advance state they are approaching Eski-Shehr, the junction point on the Bagdad Railway where the line to Angora joins the main line, and Pinar-Kharabisar further south on the main line, where the road turns in the direction of Koniah, 140 miles distant.

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MAXWELL CAR CONTESTANTS SLOWER START

Magnificent \$1,400 Five-Passenger Touring Car Offered for Work by April 11th.

QUADRUPLE VOTE OFFER REPEATED

Four Times Regular Number of Votes Given to Contestants in Start on Maxwell.

The Automobile and Motor Star Department of The Standard announced today that the Quadruple Vote offer of last week will be given again during this week.

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WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA Boy killed and two others injured when rifle is discharged accidentally near Montreal. Little girl dead, brother and father very ill as a result of child's falling on gas in Montreal stove.

UNITED STATES Elaborate preparations being made at Baltimore for the funeral of Cardinal Gibbons next Thursday. Georgia farmer under arrest charged with murder of at least eleven negro laborers on his place. British flag in Boston is torn down by parades favoring Irish cause.

THE BRITISH ISLES Crown forces capture full list of Sinn Fein agents in many areas. Motor lorries in Dublin are bombed in street and several are injured. Fires are set in England by alleged Sinn Fein agents.

EUROPE Soviet exiles twenty ring leaders in the Kronstadt revolt. Greeks said to be making good success in their drive against Turk Nationalists.

ASIA Twelve million dollar fire sweeps Tokio, with loss of 1000 homes.

AFRICA FIERCE BATTLES FOR CONTROL OF GERMAN CITIES

Communists and Security Police Fight With Victors Usually.

HURL BOMBS IN PRINTING OFFICE

Prisoners Are Being Captured Hourly by the Constables in Central Germany.

London, Mar. 27.—German Communists and the police came into conflict today in the Peterborough Place in Berlin, and security forces about one hundred and wounding several others, says a Berlin dispatch to the Central News today.

During Saturday, said the message, Communists made an effort to blow up the railroad bridge near Charlottenburg station. They only succeeded, however, in destroying a few of the pillars.

Hurl Hand Grenade Halle, Germany, Mar. 27.—An attack was made last night by Communists upon the building of the Halleische Zeitung, the Pan-German organ here. Hand grenades were hurled into the building, wounding two of its occupants.

Security Police Victims Mansfeld, Mar. 27.—Mansfeld was occupied last night by a force of the security police. At the same time members of the security police, about one hundred in number, were employed in the movement here, and in this vicinity, occupied Heilbra, Kloster and Hettstedt. The only fighting in this movement occurred here when a battery of artillery belonging to the Federal forces, made their first appearance in the trouble in this district and the Persian frontier. No casualties were reported, however. The police took twenty five prisoners and last night were bringing in more hourly.

Hon. Mr. Manning Talks Embargo To Ship Audience

Two Thousand Passengers in Mid-Ocean Listen to Address on Cattle Trouble.

S. S. Minnedosa, March 27.—(By Wireless)—The Hon. Manning Doherty, minister of agriculture for the province of Ontario, addressed over 2,000 passengers on the Minnedosa on Canada's agricultural possibilities. His extended welcome to the British immigrants who are on board the steamer Minnedosa, bound for Canada.

A resolution moved by H. Teare of Marquette, Sask., and seconded by Thomas Graham of Big Prairie Alta., and carried unanimously, urged the British Government to remove at once the embargo on Canadian cattle, and expressed thanks to Hon. Mr. Doherty for his efforts on behalf of the Canadian people to have the embargo removed.

It was decided that a wireless message embodying the resolution should be sent to the Canadian Press, Limited, and to Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighan, premier of the Dominion.

CALLED TO SERVICE Athens, March 27.—The government has ordered the mobilization of all the employees of the state whose military service had been suspended. About 7,000 persons are affected.

CLAIM FARMER SLEW ELEVEN NEGRO SLAVES

Confederate in Crime Declares Five Were Slain at One Time.

GHASTLY TALE FROM PLANTATION

Already Eleven Bodies Have Been Recovered from Field Where Buried.

Monticello, Ga., March 27.—Two more bodies of negroes were recovered from the Alcovy River here today, making a total of eleven bodies found since the authorities began an investigation of charges of poisoning and murder against John Williams, a Jasper County farmer. Like the first three found a number of days ago, the bodies recovered today were chained together and weighted down with sacks of stones and iron. Five bodies were found Saturday, buried in Williams' plantation.

Alleged Confession. According to a confession made to department of justice agents by Clyde Manning, a negro employed by Williams, the eleven negroes were slain and their bodies made away with in order to prevent them from testifying against Williams in the poisoning charges. Manning, it was said, confessed that he killed five of them with an axe at Williams' order. The bodies were recovered Saturday after he had pointed out the place of burial.

Dug Own Graves. The coroner's jury investigating the death found that in two cases the negroes were compelled to dig their own graves. Williams and Manning both are being held in jail here.

At the inquest today held over eight bodies, a verdict was returned declaring the negroes came to their death at the hands of Manning and naming Williams as in accessory. The coroner's jury conducted the inquest by number.

Buried in Post Hole. The first inquest was over John Williams, whose name as the plantation owner, whose grave, it is alleged, was dug by himself. The jury was informed that the negro was sent to a pasture in a ravine to dig a post hole. After digging the hole, Manning's confession is said to show that he struck Williams over the head with an axe, pushed the body into the hole and covered it up.

Johnny Green was number two. He was sent to the same pasture to bring cows back to the stable. Manning is said to have confessed that he killed Green in the same way, but had to dig the grave. Willie Givens, was referred to as number three. He was said to have been killed on his way to a country store, the name of which, but Charlie Chisholm was named as the negro who killed Givens. The other cases were killed.

Lower Wages or Close Factory

Fifteen Per Cent. Cut for All Employees of the Gatineau Lumber Company.

Ottawa, March 27.—Beginning Monday, April 4, the Gatineau Lumber Company, Limited, will bring into effect a wage reduction affecting about fifteen per cent. to all Ottawa employees, some two hundred in number. The scale of wages will then be practically the same as in 1919, a general increase of from fifteen to twenty per cent. having been given early in 1920. A prominent official of the Gatineau Company, which includes both the W. B. Richards Company and the Gilmore-Hughson Company, stated today that the reduction in wages should be chosen in preference to the only alternative, viz. closing up both yard and factory. Business throughout the winter and particularly of late, had been so slack that the company found itself unable to operate at the present scale of wages.

It is understood that no other Ottawa lumber company will bring an immediate wage reduction into effect.

No Possibility of Trade With Russia

Washington, Mar. 27.—Condition laid down by the State Department on Friday as pre-requisite to any resumption of trade relations between the United States and Soviet Russia, while dealing exclusively with the economic troubles of the Soviet system, were regarded yesterday as striking so fundamentally at its entire structure as to have ended practically all possibility of an early resumption of commercial intercourse between the two countries.

Cut Marine Wages

Toronto, Mar. 27.—That the Canada Steamship Company contemplates making a general cut in its wage list was intimated yesterday by the resident manager, Percy Grant. Mr. Grant stated, however, that the company has not yet fixed a scale for all ratings of its employees.

ST. JOHN ICE MOVES

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"Hidden God Strikes Secret Searchers"

French Scientist Dies in Vain Attempt to Learn Powers of X-Ray.

Paris, March 27.—"The hidden God who does not wish to give up his secrets strikes down men who seek to take them," said Dr. Adolphe Leroy, chief of the X-ray laboratory in the St. Antoine Hospital, shortly before he died yesterday at Enghien.

Dr. Leroy was a victim of what he believed to have been a successful effort to find protection from the X-rays, which have caused the slow death of many scientists.

War Work Victim. The research in an effort to afford protection to others was begun by Dr. Leroy after his hands had become affected through the making of 25,000 radiographs in war work. For this work he was decorated by the French Government with the Legion of Honor.

Several of his fingers were amputated during his research work, but he still persisted in it and told those who begged him to desist that it was the hidden God who desired to retain his secrets who struck down those who sought to unravel them.

MILLIONAIRE IS LOST FROM BIG SHIP ON VOYAGE

Heir to \$12,000,000 is Missing When Norwegian Ship Reaches New York.

CABIN TORN INTO PIECES BY MAN

Captain Thinks Big Storm Encountered Drove Passenger Insane.

Special to The Standard. New York, March 27.—Thor Dahl, the richest young man in Norway, heir to a fortune of more than \$12,000,000, left by his father, head of a whaling syndicate, with stations in all parts of the world where whales are hunted, disappeared in tempestuous weather on March 15 from the Norwegian-American liner Bergensjord in from Christiania. Capt. Ole Bull said he did not know whether Dahl, who was 30 years old, committed suicide or was washed into the ferment by one of several sea crests that swept over the liner.

The young man had acted queerly. The tempest seemed to get into his blood which was not of the steadiest. His mother having died insane and some of his brothers being now under restraint, and he acted half deliriously while the storm was raging. Most of the ship's company looked upon him as "touched" and his behavior after he went into his stateroom on the morning when the combbers were falling, indicates he had become demented. He did not appear for dinner that evening as he had regularly on all previous evenings and the skipper sent an officer to the cabin. The door was unlocked and the officers and a steward went in.

Everything was in disorder inside. The young man had ripped open the mattress, torn up sheets and covers, cut all his baggage, all his clothing into ribbons and wrecked the electric light fixtures from their fastenings, smashing bulbs and defacing the walls.

A search of the ship, including the quarters of the crew, failed to reveal the Norwegian, and he was entered on the ship's manifest as missing. He was not quarrelsome and seemed to enjoy himself greatly until the storm set in, when he became as wild as the sea itself. He was coming here to visit friends and have a good time. He was unmarried.

Recent Decision Game Was One of Skill Brings Rich Harvest from Uruguay.

Montreal, March 27.—Three card monte and the shell game which have emptied so many purses in this city of late, will soon be classed as indictable offences, liable to severe penalties, if a bill which is to be presented in the House of Commons at Ottawa, on Wednesday next meets the approval of the legislature. The bill has been drawn up by D. A. Lafortune, joint senior crown prosecutor and A. B. Corriveau, joint clerk of the crown and the peace, and it will be presented by Mr. Lafortune in the House.

Three-Card Monte To Be Illegal

The agitation for an amendment to the criminal code penalizing the promoters of these games has been widespread since the decision of the practice division of the superior court, adjudicating on a test case several weeks ago, that three-card monte was not a method of cheating of cards, but was a game of skill. Since that decision its opponents have resorted to a golden harvest from the game by trapping the unwary in Montreal and complaints have been numerous.

To Study National Railways And Ships

Ottawa, March 27.—It is expected that action will be taken shortly towards the formation of a standing committee of the House to deal with the administration of the railway and steamship lines under government ownership and control. A resolution urging the formation of such a committee is standing on the order paper of the Commons in the name of Hon. A. J. Macdonell, Halifax, and present indications are that the proposal will receive the support of the Government when it comes before the House.

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UNVEIL MEMORIAL

Bathurst, March 27.—In the Methodist church this evening the inscription tablet which has been affixed to the new pipe organ, indicating it as a memorial to the late Flight Lieutenant Morley Kent, was formally unveiled.

CALL TO SERVICE

Athens, March 27.—The government has ordered the mobilization of all the employees of the state whose military service had been suspended. About 7,000 persons are affected.

CROWN TAKES FULL LIST OF IRISH AGENTS

Tons of Rebel Literature Seized in Great Raid in Dublin.

MILITARY LORRIES BOMBED IN STREET

Sinn Fein Plot Against Ulster Discovered With Plans to Kidnap Officers.

Dublin, March 27.—The headquarters of the Sinn Fein propaganda department, at 11 Molesworth street, was raided last night by police auxiliaries, who effected what was officially described as the largest capture of seditious literature yet made in Ireland. Several tons of files, books and other documentary matter were removed in the lobbies of the raiders.

The office equipment of the headquarters was most elaborate. The department had numerous divisions, one of which dealt with propaganda in foreign countries, including Italy, France and Spain, according to the official reports of the raid.

Got Publicity Lists

Files of letters, addressed to Sinn Fein agents and others in those countries were seized. All the leading British newspapers were on file at the department and scores of volumes of clippings and circular letters addressed to members of the House of Commons also were seized.

The Irish Bulletin was issued from this office, but its re-appearance elsewhere is expected. None of the members of the staff were found on the premises.

Bomb Two Lorries

A bomb attack was made Saturday afternoon upon two lorries belonging to the air force, standing in a street in the heart of Dublin, the attack resulting in the maiming of two of the air force contingent and several civilians.

The attack occurred at 3 p.m. The two lorries were drawn up opposite Flanagan's stores, on O'Connell street. A number of the soldiers had entered the stores to make purchases. Those who remained in the lorries were suddenly surrounded by armed civilians, who threw bombs and opened fire from their revolvers.

The men of the air force took to cover and returned the fire. The two wounded men were Private E. Brown and Corporal J. O'Connell. The latter included several women and girls.

EXECUTED ANTI-SOVIET LEADERS

Twenty Sailors from Battleship Die in Payment for Kronstadt Revolt.

Helsingfors, March 27.—Twenty sailors from the battleship Sebastopol, including sub-captain Denier, were executed immediately after they had been sentenced by a revolutionary tribunal in Petrograd on March 29, according to the Krasnaya Gazeta. They were tried on the charge of having been ringleaders of the battleship revolt during the Kronstadt episode, and of having participated in the bombardment of the warship had caused thousands of casualties, it was declared. No mention is made by the newspaper of the fate of the other 1,400 prisoners in Petrograd.

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