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ADHERENTS OF CASTRO ARE DAILY INCREASING

Reported to Have Twelve Thousand Men in His Following

ENTHUSIASM SHOWN FOR EX-PRESIDENT

Revolution Rapidly Gaining Ground, and Rebel Leader is Marching Toward Capital of Lara.

Port of Spain, August 5.—Ex-President Cipriano Castro, in his revolutionary campaign to overthrow the Gomez administration and to regain the presidency of Venezuela, has under his command, according to the latest advices received here, about twelve thousand men.

General Castro is reported to have been received enthusiastically by the people when he landed at Coro, in the State of Falcon. He is now said to be marching against Paragimeto, the capital of the State of Lara, at the head of a force estimated to be 4,000 men.

Two of Castro's adherents, General Rosario Gonzalez and Gen. Penhery, who crossed into Venezuelan territory from the Colombian frontier with 3,000 followers, are reported to be augmenting their army as they proceed through the inland towns.

Generals Navas and Araulo, two of Castro's lieutenants operating in the state of Zulia, are leading 2,500 men against Maracabo, the capital of the state and principal seaport of Venezuela.

In the public addresses of leading revolutionists in this country, he said, "In the recent inaugural ceremony of the governments of the different states, but especially in the inaugural of President Williams, there is found a sincere effort to stir the public conscience for the re-adjustment of law and government to human needs."

Open communication between Venezuelan revolutionists has been prohibited by the government authorities of Caracas, on the pretext of the Venezuelan council at Willensath, Caracas.

The departure on Sunday night of the steamer Falma, which had been making voyage between Caracas and La Vala De Coro, a port in the Venezuelan state of Falcon, was prevented by the authorities here on Sunday night. The vessel had been conveying groups of politicians and revolutionists to the aid of Cipriano Castro.

The consul's protest declared that the Falma was carrying false ship papers.

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CORONER OF TORONTO IN A NEW ROLE

Will Empanel Jury and Start Investigation Into Causes of Recent Fires in the City.

Toronto, Aug. 5.—A rather unusual mode of procedure will be invoked by the authorities to investigate the costly series of fires which visited Toronto over the week-end.

Dr. Johnston, chief coroner for Toronto, will call a jury and will seek to determine not only the cause of the fire at the exhibition grounds, and the other serious conflagrations on Saturday and Sunday, but will investigate the absence of keys from fire alarm boxes at the exhibition grounds and other matters of similar kind.

Over forty alarms were reported to the fire halls over the week-end, a good many, of course, being for fires of no consequence.

AGREEMENT WITH MEN OF I. C. R. IS NOW ABOUT SURE

General Manager Gutelius Met Committee of Men in Moncton Yesterday—Settlement Hoped for Today.

Moncton, Aug. 5.—General Manager Gutelius and the committee of I. C. R. men were in conference today and will meet again tomorrow morning. It is stated that an agreement was reached on several matters, and that it is hoped to settle all the questions in dispute tomorrow.

START OF K. OF C. CONVENTION ON HARBOR BOAT

First Business Session Opened as Delegates Enjoy Pleasure Cruise.

ST. JOHN MEN TAKE PART IN CLAM BAKE

An Appeal for Solution of Social Problems by Evolution, not Revolution—Great Year for Order.

Boston, August 5.—Three thousand Knights of Columbus assembled at Solemn High Mass in the Cathedral of the Holy Cross today were called upon by Right Rev. Joseph G. Anderson, auxiliary bishop of Boston, to seek with all right-minded persons a solution of social problems through evolution, not revolution.

Recognizing the seriousness of the disputes between labor and capital, the bishop nevertheless was optimistic.

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Bishop Anderson read a cablegram from Cardinal Merry Del Val, the Papal Secretary of State, conveying the felicitations of Pope Pius X.

The Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus was later formally opened on board a harbor steamer, while the delegates sailed along the North Shore.

Mayor Fitzgerald and State Deputy Louis Watson welcomed them and Supreme Knight James A. Flaherty of Philadelphia, responded.

The growth of the order since the 1912 convention was related by the supreme secretary, William MacIntyre of New Haven, Conn., who reported that on June 30 last the total membership was 292,974 made up of 98,783 insurance and 294,221 associate members, comprised in 52 states and three territorial jurisdictions and 1,639 subordinate councils.

During the year 47 new councils were instituted and the net increase in membership was 13,325. Outstanding insurance aggregated \$103,659,900 and death benefits during the year totaled \$72,100.

T. C. Olive, George Patten, Timothy Collins, James Daly, Patrick Fitzpatrick, Henry McCullough, Fred McDonald, John Crowley and Dr. Stephen McDonald, and other St. John Knights of Columbus went to an old fashioned clam bake down Boston Harbor today with 1,000 of the 40,000 delegates.

One hundred steers on Washington street are decorated in honor of the occasion.

LIGHT SENTENCES FOR GIVING AWAY SECRETS OF THE GERMAN ARMY

Berlin, August 5.—Light sentences were imposed on the officers and men of the German army corps who have been under trial for court martial here for several days on charges of betraying military secrets, the acceptance of bribes and insubordination.

All were found guilty. Lieutenant Tilian was sentenced to two months in prison. Lieutenant Schleuder and Lieutenant Dinnart to four months each. Lieutenant Hoge to 43 days. The first three lose their commissions but Hoge remains in the army.

Chief Clerk Pfeiffer of the ordnance department was sentenced to six months in prison. Non-Commissioned Officer Schmidt to two and a half months in prison and Non-Commissioned Officer Drosche to three weeks confinement to barracks.

The evidence showed the prisoners had disclosed to Krupp's representatives information in reference to the government constructions.

CHARLOTTETOWN HAS ANOTHER BIG FIRE

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Aug. 5.—Close upon the fire at Pains & Company's Sunday morning in this city, another big fire broke out at the sea and dock factory and woodworking mill of M. P. Hogan on the Steamer Navigation Company's wharf, which was totally destroyed. The loss is placed at \$25,000, with no insurance.

SENATE TAKES UP EXPECT TO HAVE B.T.P. IN EIGHT MONTHS

Speed Up on the Consideration of the Metal Schedule.

CHIEF OPPOSITION TO NEW AUTO RATES

Committee's Schedule Finally Approved—Twenty-five Per Cent Tax on Motor Cycles Agreed To.

Washington, August 5.—Senate Democrats succeeded today for the first time in speeding up consideration of the tariff bill, making considerable progress in Michigan, Cummins and Smoot, against many of the rates.

Chief opposition centered in the rates on automobiles which the committee fixed at 15 per cent on cars valued at \$1,000 or less, 30 per cent on cars valued at more than \$1,000 and less than \$1,500, 45 per cent on cars valued at \$1,500 and over, and 30 per cent on automobile parts.

Senator Cummins, however, had insisted that the rates on completed cars would be useless, because all foreign cars would be brought in at the thirty per cent rate in parts.

Senator Thomas, for the finance committee, said he could see no calculation if all automobiles came in at thirty per cent. The other rates, Senator Cummins asserted, were "mere pretenses," and he advocated a flat duty on all automobiles of 35 per cent. Senator Williams remarked that there is a lot of talk in regard to a tariff which will insist on completed foreign cars, thinking they are better, and these rates are fixed for them.

The rates were not changed. Efforts of Senator Oliver also were unavailing to increase the rates on iron products. His argument was that bar iron was more costly of production than the conversion of steel into pig iron. Before consideration of the schedule began, Senator Sausbury, of Delaware, announced a tariff generally, predicting success for the bill and assailing protection and socialism as the cause of ill-famed birds.

Senator Brandegee sought to amend the automobile rates by making the rate on chassis equal to the rates on finished cars. The amendment was lost 46 to 21; Senators Bristow, Crawford, Cummins, Cronin, Frankfurter and Sterling, of the minority, voting with the Democrats against it. The committee rates were then approved.

The 25 per cent rate on bicycles and motor cycles also was agreed to. Axes at 10 per cent, blacksmiths tools and bolts at 10 per cent, and nuts and washers at 5 per cent. The committee made no attempt to substitute the rates on table knives and such cutlery were voted down 45 to 17, the committee's majority prevailing.

The general manager said that even under the existing laws domestic manufacturers had difficulty meeting foreign competition.

CONTRACT FOR APPLE BOATS

Five Special Voyages from Annapolis and Digby to English Markets for Benefit of Apple Growers.

Special to The Standard, Ottawa, Aug. 5.—Hon. George H. Parley, acting Minister of Trade and Commerce, has entered into a contract with the United Fruit Company of Nova Scotia for a direct steamship service between Annapolis Royal, N. S., and other London or Hull.

The company, which has its head office at Berwick, N. S., is composed of fruit growers who wish to secure more satisfactory access to the English market. The company is to provide British steamers able to carry from 3,000 to 12,000 barrels, specially built for the fruit trade with refrigerating apparatus. There are to be five voyages, the first to begin before October 30. The steamers are to call at Digby, N. S. The sum of \$1,000 will be paid for each voyage.

JUDGE LANDRY'S CONDITION

Dorchester, N. B., August 5.—Judge Landry's condition is very much improved today. He is bright and takes sufficient nourishment. He is thought to be out of immediate danger.

EXPECT TO HAVE B.T.P. IN EIGHT MONTHS

Collingwood Scriber Estimates Road Will Be Ready In August Next

COCHRANE SECTION TO OPEN DECEMBER 1

Work Well Advanced on all Sections—Cochrane to Winnipeg Road Bed Ready for Operation Now.

Special to The Standard, Ottawa, Aug. 5.—Indications at present favor the beginning of traffic between Winnipeg and Cochrane on the Transcontinental on December 1 next, and between Winnipeg and Quebec by August, 1914.

Between Cochrane and Winnipeg there is one lift of ballast over the entire line, and half of the line is in excellent running order. Except for a few soft spots which may cause temporary delays, the road is in condition to handle freight today if necessary. All preparations should be completed by December next.

Between Cochrane and Quebec fifty miles of track are laid. The track probably will be completed in November next, and the steel bridges erected in the coming year. On July 1 last the railway company accepted the offer to be laid on the mountain section of the G. T. P. The hiatus extends from Coal River to Trout Creek, B. C.

Collingwood Scriber, chief engineer of the western division, who represented the government, estimated that the road will be in condition for through operating by August, 1914.

INQUIRY INTO STANDING OF G. P. R. LINER

Wreck Commissioner Starts An Official Investigation at Montreal

FAILURE TO ANSWER HELM RESPONSIBLE

Rudder Had Been Ported to Avoid Passing Ship, but Vessel Didn't Respond When Starboarded.

Montreal, Aug. 5.—The official inquiry into the circumstances attending the stranding of the C. P. R. liner, Lake Manitoba, off the Isle d'Orleans on the morning of the 29th of July, was held today. Captain Lindsay, Dominion wreck commissioner, presided, with Captain Mitchell, commander of the Donaldson liner Casandra, now in port, and Captain Francis Nash as assessors. According to the evidence presented the helm of the Lake Manitoba had been ported to allow of her passing a steamer met with off the Isle d'Orleans, which loomed up suddenly out of the haze overchanging the river. Afterwards the helm was starboarded, but the vessel failed to answer her helm before she struck. The engines were reversed and the Lake Manitoba re-ported before she had been quite five minutes aground. Capt. Nash was not on the bridge at the time the accident occurred.

The principal witnesses were Captain Evans, Pilot A. Lachance, who was piloting the vessel from Father Point to Quebec, and the look-out men, who were on duty when the accident happened. The commissioner and assessors will meet to consider their verdict tomorrow morning, and judgment will likely be rendered in the course of the next few days.

WANDERERS DEFEAT SYDNEY

Sydney, Aug. 5.—The Wanderers cricket eleven paid their third visit to Sydney yesterday, and for a third time defeated the home team. Only one inning was played, the score being 118 for Sydney, while Halifax rolled up 167 for eight wickets.

DETROIT UNION IN FIGHT WITH TRAM COMPANY

Street Railway Men Made Concessions and Proceedings Stopped

CITY NOW HOLDS THE WHIP HAND

Company will Give Seven Tickets for 25 Cents at all Hours and Cheaper Rate to Workmen.

Detroit, August 5.—The threatened trouble between the City of Detroit and the Detroit Street Railway Company, caused by the refusal of the company to grant three cent fares on all city lines where franchises have expired, was halted today when a temporary agreement was reached by representatives of the traction company and city officials, including Mayor Marr. The street railway company agreed to nearly all of the important demands made by the city.

In return for numerous concessions, which the street railway company made, it was promised by James Cozzens, member of the Detroit Street Railway Commission, that the council should take no action to either enforce a three cent rate of fare on the lines now operated without franchises, or to pass a resolution directing the city treasurer to seize street railway property, as payment for back taxes. Mr. Cozzens acted with the sanction of the mayor and members of the council, who had prepared resolutions for submission to the council tonight authorizing the enforcement of drastic measures, if the street railway refused to comply with the city's demands.

The company agreed to grant seven tickets for 25 cents on all its lines within the one fare zone at all hours of the day and night, the reduction being effective on or before August 15. Unpaid transfers will also be given.

The workmen's rate of eight tickets for 25 cents during selected hours of the day is not to be worse than the one now in force. The company was also to pay \$75,000 for the use of Port street, from July 24, 1910, until the franchise expires at the present time; to pay back taxes assessed against the company in 1910, 1911 and 1912, with interest, except those where existing franchises otherwise provide. Numerical transfers providing Numerical transfers, and extensions will be built by the company, according to the settlements being listed in the agreement.

The agreement was termed a "day-to-day arrangement," and one clause provided that during the life of the agreement the city would not enforce back taxes and other charges against the company, which the council adopted four years ago.

WILL RETURN SEPTEMBER 1

Hon. George E. Foster Expected Back in Capital on that Date After Lengthy Visit to East.

Ottawa, Aug. 5.—Word has been received here that the Hon. George E. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, will return to Ottawa about September 1. This will mark the termination of a prolonged and interesting tour partly on a general investigation of the natural resources of the self-governing dominions, and other questions relating to the common interest of several parts of the Empire.

In 1912 he attended the opening meetings of the commission in England, and he left last March to sit with the commission in Australia and New Zealand.

At that time a temporary cessation early in the summer Mr. Foster went to the Far East. While there he met Richard Grigg, Commissioner of Commerce for Canada, who had preceded him. After careful investigations into the commercial openings for Canadian products afforded by China, Mr. Foster is returning.

KILLED WHEN THRESHER CRASHED INTO BRIDGE

Toronto, August 5.—Walter Linstead, aged 22, was instantly killed when a threshing traction engine on which he was riding, crashed through a county bridge near Rogartown, York County, Lem Piper, owner and driver of the engine, jumped in time and escaped injury.

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FIRE SWEEPS BIG TOWN IN NORTH LAND

Athabasca Landing, Alta., Has Worst Blaze in Its Career

MORE THAN THIRTY BUILDINGS BURNED

Damage Will Reach Half Million at Least—Hundred People Destitute—Bucket Brigade the Only Force.

Athabasca Landing, Alta., Aug. 5.—A fire which started either in a pool room or in the Grand Union Hotel swept through strathcona street and Litchfield avenue last night. Two hotels and two banks were destroyed and about thirty business houses. Bucket brigades finally checked the flames, but not before the total damage had reached half a million dollars. Constable Blair received serious burns while awakening the guests in the Grand Union Hotel. The city council met this morning and formed a relief committee. One hundred people are absolutely homeless and destitute and twice as many had to place to eat or sleep. The government placed the immigration hall at the disposal of the committee of the city council. Those who saved anything from the flames are helping the ones who are in a worse position than themselves.

The heaviest individual loss was that of Gagnon, who lost five buildings worth in all \$200,000. The Athabasca forwarding warehouse, filled with goods consigned to Peace River, was valued at \$50,000. The water works are not yet completed, and a hand pump, unattended by the flames, was used to fight the blazes with the exception of a bucket brigade.

Already Rebuilding. Athabasca Hotel, Gibbins' Restaurant, Hackett Cigar store, Striker dry goods store, Royal Bank, Grand Union Hotel, Cull's drug store, Telephone exchange, Bank of Commerce, Friedman's tailor shop, Revellon's barber shop, Darling's grocery, Genoux Barber shop, Greek restaurant and pool room, bowling alley, Gaskell confectionery, R. N. W. M. Parkers, Hudson's Bay warehouse and two cars on the Canadian Northern tracks.

Already Rebuilding. Athabasca, Alta., August 5.—Within twelve hours of having sustained a loss approximating half a million dollars, with only \$74,000 insurance, the town of Athabasca is busy rebuilding, unattended by the disastrous losses of the day. Within two hours after the subsiding of the fire, the Royal Bank and the Bank of Commerce started work on rebuilding the buildings, uninsured, were wiped out at once. Gagnon, whose six structures, uninsured, were valued at \$200,000, is already engaged to replace his lost business buildings on the site of the old.

The immigration hall has been thrown open by the Dominion Government, and the council supplied a cook and a full supply of provisions. Relief offices have been opened in it and clothing distributed so that tonight all the destitute and homeless have been housed and fed and the general undercurrent of sentiment is that a newer and bigger Athabasca will take the place of the old.

CARS GO OVER TWENTY FOOT EMBANKMENT AND TWO MEN LOSE LIVES

Kingston, Ont., Aug. 5.—J. Mitchell, of Pontypool, and an Italian, name unknown, were killed this morning as they were hurled in an accident near Pearham. A ballast train on the Canadian Pacific Railway jumped the track and two cars were overturned. Ten workmen were on the cars when they ran off the track. Wreck was sent here and Dr. W. W. Sands, coroner, will go to the scene to hold an inquest. The cars went over a twenty foot embankment.

TEMPLEARS TO ASSEMBLE IN OTTAWA NEXT

Canada's Capital Selected for 1914 Convention—Annual Session of the Great Priory Closed Yesterday.

Vancouver, Aug. 5.—The closing session of the thirteenth annual convention of the great priory of the Faithful Templars was held this morning in the Masonic Temple. The officers who were elected were installed this morning by Most Excellent Sir Kenneth J. B. Trefler, of Montreal, assisted by Assistant Grand Master Sir Knight William H. Whyte, of Montreal. Next year the convention will be held in Ottawa.

Those elected to office were: Supreme Grand Master, F. D. Gordon, Montreal; Deputy Grand Master, E. W. Chapman, Winnipeg; Grand Chancellor, Will H. Whyte, Montreal; Grand Chaplain, Rev. G. H. Horbin, Calgary; Grand Master, W. A. Wilson, London; Grand Treasurer, Charles F. Mansell, Toronto; Grand Registrar, A. J. Gillis, Dawson; Grand Constable, L. G. Munn, Vancouver. Provincial Secretary for British Columbia, R. E. Plowman, of Rossland. Those elected to the grand council were: D. A. Clarke, Toronto; Chas. H. Collins, Toronto; S. A. Lake, Ottawa; A. Shaw, Kingston; J. W. R. Rankin, Calgary.

The special train of knights and their wives will leave tomorrow night for Denver.

CROP OUTLOOK IN WEST IS VERY ENCOURAGING

The Present Indications Generally Point to a Good Output

FARMERS MARKETING GRAIN CONFIDENTLY

Reports From Different Provinces Point to Good Season—Railways Getting Extra Cars to Move Wheat.

Winnipeg, August 5.—Latest reports in regard to this year's crop indicate that we will get, taking it on the whole, a good average crop; many think it will be better than the average, and of an exceptionally good quality, said C. W. Rowley, manager of the Bank of Commerce here today.

"In some cases, of course," he went on, "in a large country like this there will be localities where conditions are below the average, but the reason for this result in some districts will be ineffectiveness or careless agricultural methods, and in others, on account of unfavorable weather, but much fewer cases of this than of the first named cause."

"The railway companies are preparing surplus cars for the fall movement. The movement of grain toward the seaboard at this season of the year via Fort William, Port Arthur and Duluth means the liquidation of indebtedness by farmers and merchants throughout the country. It is evident, as the following figures show, that farmers and others are marketing their grain with great confidence, owing to indications of having a good harvest."

Statement of Shipments. Shipments of grain from Fort William and Port Arthur between August 1 and July 31 in bushels:

	1912.	1913.	Inc.
Wheat	35,118,405	39,896,124	4,777,719
Oats	10,774,278	14,890,433	4,116,155
Barley	1,104,332	4,352,532	3,248,200
Flax	2,787,351	9,196,942	6,409,591

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STEEL COMPANY GOES INTO RECEIVERS HANDS

Buffalo, Aug. 5.—Receivers were appointed for the New York State Steel Company in federal court today. The company defaulted on the interest on \$3,500,000 outstanding bonds due April 1. The Commonwealth Trust Co., of Buffalo, which holds a mortgage on all the real estate of the company, began action for a receivership. Judge Hazel appointed F. Ernest Porter, Alfred C. Becker and Theodore H. Wickens, Jr. The plant has been closed for several months.