

STATE-OWNED WIRELESS CHAIN

British Postmaster-General Announces to Imperial Conference that Government will Establish Stations

LONDON, June 16.—The Imperial conference, discussed the establishment of a chain of state-owned wireless telegraph stations throughout the empire. The British Postmaster-General, Mr. Samuel, said that the government favored the scheme both for strategic and commercial reasons, and proposed to begin establishing stations in England, Cyprus, Aden, Bombay, Straits Settlements and West Australia from which would be linked New Zealand and later South Africa. The proposal that the home government should enter into negotiations with other governments to secure the adoption of a universal international penny postage was not adopted. Postmaster-General Samuel said that it would involve a revenue to the United Kingdom of \$2,250,000 annually.

A day's conference Sir David H. Williams, Graft, minister of public works and of posts and telegraphs for the Union of South Africa, in reply to a resolution proposed by South Africa against the methods of shipping cables, cited the Sherman anti-trust act in the United States as making illegal and as greatly benefiting American shippers. He added that South African shippers were greatly in need of a similar measure.

Mr. Sydney Charles Buxton, president of the board of trade, declared that the feeling of the shippers within the United Kingdom was not strong enough against the wireless system to justify such legislation, but he agreed to support an amended resolution providing for concerted action by all governments of the empire against shipping combines when it was shown that they were prejudicial to the general trade. The amended resolution was then passed.

The conference agreed to a proposal of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, which was supported by Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, to negotiate with foreign governments with a view to securing to overseas dominions the right of withdrawal from any commercial treaty without impairing the treaty with respect to the remainder of the empire.

It also agreed to Sir Wilfrid's proposal to appoint a royal commission to visit the overseas dominions and report on the trade and resources and the best methods for their development. A long discussion ensued as to the establishment of an "All Red Route." This question revealed numerous differences of opinion and practical difficulties. Mr. Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, explained that the cost of a knot service was prohibitive, and equally that of an 18 knot service. Finally a resolution was carried that it was desirable to establish the best possible service.

WRECK OF ASIA

Third Officer Johnson Held Responsible by Investigating Board—Captain is Censured

SAN FRANCISCO, June 16.—Third Officer J. Johnson, of the Pacific Mail steamship Asia, wrecked in the Chilean coast on April 23, was held responsible for the accident, as the result of the investigation conducted in London. Johnson was on watch at the time of the accident, and the investigating board found that he did not exercise due caution in keeping a lookout. Weather was clear, according to the testimony.

Captain Harry Guckroger, master of the Asia, was censured for poor judgment in setting so fine a course in such dangerous waters, and at the same time for allowing the ship to be driven ashore. The Asia was a British registered ship, and the investigating board consisted of British Consul-General Walter R. B. Smith, Captain R. McKenzie, of the British Admiralty law covering such cases. A penalty is fixed, the report of the board going to the vessel's owners and to the underwriters in London.

Copper Ore From Alaska

CORDOVA, Alaska, June 16.—A shipment of approximately 1500 tons of copper ore was taken south today by the steamer Alameda. The ore, which is valued at \$150,000 will be discharged at the Tacoma smelter.

Moorish Sultan's Protest

FEZ, Morocco, June 16.—In protest against the occupation of the Moroccan coast by Spanish troops, the sultan, Mohammed V, declared he will appeal to the signatories of the Algeiras treaty against the violation of the compact, and that he will refuse, as long as the occupation lasts, to fulfill any of the clauses of the Spanish-Moroccan agreement signed at Madrid in 1910.

Coastwise Seamen Out

NEW YORK, June 16.—The threatened strike of coastwise seamen developed today tonight with the calling out of employees of the "Morgan Line" operated by the Southern Pacific company between New York and New Orleans. The four thousand employees were ordered to go out at 10 a. m. tomorrow unless all demands are conceded. Employees of other coastwise lines postponed action on the strike question until Saturday.

WOUNDED BY GIRL

Deputy U. S. Marshal Fozz in Shooting Shot by 16-Year-Old Girl

SKAGWAY, Alaska, June 16.—Lena Bernhofer, 16 years old, shot and dangerously wounded United States Deputy Marshal Fred Fozz when he attempted to serve a writ of possession on the girl's aunt, Miss Mary Bernhofer, proprietress of the New Home hotel. The bullet struck Deputy Marshal Fozz in the right arm and penetrated the upper part of the body. An X-ray examination failed to show the bullet. Fozz has a good chance to recover.

Miss Bernhofer and her niece are still in possession of the property from which the officer sought to eject them. The officer sought to eject them in favor of the Alaska Northwest Territories company. Miss Mary Bernhofer threatens to set fire to the building and take her own life if an attempt is made to eject her by force. The building is in the heart of the town and the volunteer fire department is held in readiness, as it is feared a general conflagration will result if the woman makes good her threat to destroy the hotel.

Lena Bernhofer has not been arrested.

Borden Divorce Case

LOS ANGELES, June 16.—Mrs. Helen M. Borden, wife of Carl Borden, who with his brother, is known as the "conductor" of the "All Red Route" of ships, today in the superior court, alleging desertion, and asking neither alimony nor the custody of their one child, in the complaint filed by attorneys for Mrs. Borden, who is now in New York, "alleged that Mrs. Borden was deserted by her husband in New York in July 1909. Her attorneys stated that Mrs. Borden would probably be in this city within the next two weeks. Attorneys for Mrs. Borden stated today that Mrs. Borden would probably not contest the suit. No division of community property was asked in the complaint.

Los Angeles, June 16.—A spectacular fire which firemen were called to fight at 27 degrees, burned fiercely for four hours tonight and damaged the mill, warehouse and lumber yards of the William G. Frye Manufacturing company, to the extent of \$300,000. The general offices, car barns and shops at the United Railways company were endangered, and heavy electric feed wires were melted by the terrific heat. Car lines in the western and southwestern districts of the city were put out of commission from 6:30 o'clock until 10:30.

Fire Chief Swingle was overcome by the heat, as were also several other members of the department upon whom two big fires on successive days, worked a hard strain.

While the fire was at its height a demand for protection was made upon the police by John T. Larson, treasurer of the Lohse Patent Door company, which operates a large mill and owns one of the largest lumber storage plants in the city. Mr. Larson drew attention to the similarity in circumstances surrounding tonight's blaze and the fire last night, which destroyed five large manufacturing concerns, covering an area of eight acres, among which was the Huttig Sash and Door company.

Tonight's fire was located but a few blocks from the area swept Thursday night. Pressed for more definite information upon which to act, the police were directed by the manufacturers to a number of instances tending to connect some member of the carpenters' union, which has been on strike since March 1, with the fire.

No arrests have been made, though guards of police have been redoubled to supplement enlarged measures of protection against recurrence of fires by the mill owners themselves.

Fears aroused in the mind of local lumbermen by the fires of tonight and last night, coupled with the danger of destructive blazes as a result of the unabating heat of the last few weeks, has resulted in orders being sent to the managers of the large mills in Arkansas and other southern states to put all available hands at work flooding the properties.

To SMELT B. C. ORE

Sir Donald Mann Forms Company to Experiment With Dr. Island's Smelting Process

TORONTO, June 16.—A \$10,000,000 company was organized here today to smelt British Columbia ore.

Several actions of court are to be sent here and treated, and if the smelter does the work guaranteed, Sir Donald Mann pays \$5,000,000 to the Island company, owning the invention, and allows it 25 per cent of the stock in the new company.

The agreement was drawn up and signed by solicitors of all concerned today.

Lumber Trust Suit Adjourned

KANSAS CITY, June 16.—After being in session for five days the hearing of the state's counter suit against the alleged lumber trust adjourned to reconvene in Jefferson City on June 27. At that time the state will introduce three or four witnesses and then will rest its case. The defense will then begin the presentation of evidence.

SENTENCES IN ASSIZE COURT

Gunner Allen is Sent to Penitentiary for Life—Prince Rupert Rioters Get Varying Terms

Sentences

Gunner Allen, life imprisonment.

Golden Lloyd Faulkner, seven years penal servitude.

Jura Vujovich, three years penal servitude.

Mike Burich, Dan Milovich, Mike Seovich, Antoine Sebach, Mike Savich, two years penal servitude.

Noah Palovich, Vuckan Drilovich, Steve Rudic, one year at hard labor.

Jura Redalovich, six months at hard labor.

Yesterday was "sentence day" in the court of assize before Mr. Justice Murphy, and the solemnity always attending a sitting where the liberty of men is being taken from them, was present in the room. There were comparatively few spectators, the audience being confined for the most part to members of the bar, and those immediately concerned in one or other of the cases in which convictions had been obtained.

The forenoon was occupied with the addresses of Messrs. H. A. McLean, K. C., and H. W. B. Moore, defence and crown counsel respectively in the case of Rex vs. Faulkner, in which Golden Lloyd Faulkner, a young Vancouver business man, was charged with a serious crime. The evidence had been given on Thursday to support three counts of four in the original indictment and also in defence. His lordship charged on the points of law, and his charge on the facts favored the prisoner very strongly, especially as regarded the defence charge. The jury retired about noon, and returned twice, once for instruction or law, and once at the command of the court for further instruction on the case. About two-thirty yesterday afternoon they returned a verdict of guilty. Faulkner, whose face had been drawn, and white throughout the trial, gave no sign of agitation until the court called upon him to stand up when he collapsed, but recovered himself again quickly. His lordship adjourned court for fifteen minutes to consider the sentence. On resumption he heard a plea for mercy from Mr. McLean, who observed that the verdict was "a little unusual, and who contended that the charge was absolutely unproven. Mr. McLean had previously applied for and received permission to appeal. Mr. Moore, however, of the growth of the case, McLean's plea. Faulkner, when asked to make any statement he wished to make said that he was extremely sorry for what he had done, but that he knew he had done wrong, but that he was not guilty of the offense whereof he was charged. Mr. Justice Murphy then sentenced him in the words: "I am extremely sorry for you, but the jury has found you guilty of a most serious offense, an offense for which the penalty is death. The best I can do for you is to sentence you to seven years in the penitentiary."

Before the return of the jury in the Faulkner case the court sentenced the other prisoners convicted of crime during the two weeks of assize. "Gunner" Thomas Allen, found guilty of manslaughter in the killing of Captain Peter Elliston, at Work Point barracks in August, 1910, when asked if he had anything to say read a long and stirring statement prepared by himself, in which he brought out a number of points purporting to show that he was innocent of the offense, and tending to throw suspicion on the two chief witnesses against him, Gnr. Bryan and Bombardier Corcoran. His lordship heard the statement which occupied almost half an hour, and then said: "Allen, the jury has taken a very merciful view of your case. I think you were guilty of a very serious offense, but I sentence you to the penitentiary for the term of your natural life."

Jura Vujovich, found guilty of shooting with intent to do grievous bodily harm, on Constable Lev. Miller, during the riot at Prince Rupert in April last, broke down and cried when he was given three years. Mr. H. A. McLean, K. C., on behalf of Mr. W. E. Williams, the Prince Rupert, defence counsel in the case, put in a plea for leniency. His lordship, through an interpreter, pointed out to the prisoner that the jury could have found him guilty of trying to kill a man, but had not done so, and so his punishment would be less severe. In this country men could not be allowed to shoot pistols at other men.

In the cases of the nine Prince Rupert rioters his lordship divided the party of convicted men and first sentenced five of them for whom the jury had made no recommendation for mercy. These, Mike Burich, Dan Milovich, Mike Seovich, Antoine Sebach, and Mike Savich were each given two years. Those who were then sentenced pointed out that in this country the law allowed a man to strike, and also to request fellow workmen to strike, he was forced to stop them. The assize at Prince Rupert might easily have led to many people being killed. In this country the law looked after everyone alike, the workman just as much as the rich man. There was no excuse here for a breach of the law, and his lordship pointed out the effect of this case on people.

Noah Palovich, Vuckan Drilovich, and Steve Rudic had been recommended for mercy and Jura Radulovich, an elderly man, had been recommended for special mercy. The three first mentioned were given one year with hard labor, each, while the elderly Radulovich received six months with hard labor.

PASSENGER KILLED

International Limited on Grand Trunk Railway Track While Running Fifty Miles an Hour

TORONTO, June 16.—The International Limited on the Grand Trunk railway jumped the track at Newcastle, Ont., this evening, one passenger being killed and half a dozen seriously injured.

The dead man was a commercial traveler of Toronto named J. Madill. He was standing in the vestibule of the train when the accident occurred, and his skull crushed like an eggshell. Others were piled in all shapes.

The train was running at fifty miles an hour, and it is marvelous that more were not killed.

SEAMEN'S STRIKE

Not Expected to Secure General—More Effective as Strike than on Previous Day

LONDON, June 16.—The leaders of the strike of seamen profess to be greatly encouraged by reports they have received from various points where they have obeyed the call to go out and the fact that a number of shipowners have conceded the strikers a ten shilling per month advance in wages. The strike, however, is still a half-hearted affair. In a majority of cases crews that strike are easily replaced. There is not the slightest indication of the strike becoming general.

ANTWERP, June 16.—The strike of the seamen was more effective today than yesterday. Crews deserted numerous steamers.

Bank Accountant Kills Himself

SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont., June 16.—J. A. F. Barth, formerly of Toronto, chief accountant of the branch of the Imperial bank at the Soo, killed himself this morning.

CHURCH ROBBERS' CACHE IS FOUND

Chance Discovery on Mount Royal Points to Hiding Place of Many Articles Which Had Been Stolen

MONTREAL, June 16.—A chance discovery of a veritable treasure trove of gold and silver articles on Mount Royal, which were the property of a large number of church robbers, has led to the discovery of the hiding place of many articles which had been stolen during the past few years, and which ceased suddenly to be heard of after the robbery of a gardener in the employ of the park authorities, running to seek shelter beneath a tree during yesterday's storm, tripped over something protruding from the ground, and, unthinking of the large pile of solid silver, digging further, he found more silver and several articles of gold. These he took to Father Walsh of St. Michael's church, who identified two of the articles as sacred vessels. The robbery, the celebration of the Holy Communion, a silver ciborium and a gold annula.

The police suspect three young men now in the penitentiary for burglary, who used to be within a hundred and fifty yards of the place. The robbery ceased as soon as they had been convicted.

AGAINST VACCINATION

Organization in Montreal to Make War on Bystanders Recently Passed by City Council

MONTREAL, June 16.—The Anti-Vaccination Society of Montreal has been awakened into activity by the recent vaccination legislation passed by the city council as the outcome of several cases of smallpox, and today declared war upon the new bylaws.

These bylaws make vaccination absolutely compulsory, and provide a penalty for non-compliance. There is no conscience clause, and the only exemption is on the ground of physical infirmity, ascertained by a medical officer.

The society will distribute literature throughout the city and provide for the delivery of letters. Several doctors are with the society in its fight.

Strike Ended

MONTREAL, June 16.—The strike of the employees of the Canada Car Foundry company has petered out, two-thirds of the men have returned and probably the whole 2000 will be at work on Monday.

Warehousemen Strike

TACOMA, June 16.—When the Tacoma Maru arrived in port today from the Orient, the warehousemen at the Milwaukee dock struck for an increase in wages of from 25 cents to 30 cents an hour. The steamer brought a valuable shipment of raw silk. There are about 50 warehousemen out.

Castro Not on Board

WASHINGTON, June 16.—The last scene of the comedy of errors involving former President Castro of Venezuela, was laid in Port au Prince today when the Haytian minister of foreign affairs, waited upon, American Minister Furness and solemnly assured him Castro was not now and had not been at all on board the mysterious steamer, Connel Groschok. The minister told Mr. Furness that the captain of the Connel Groschok had admitted he was joking when he said the Venezuelan was on his ship.

SEES MAJORITY FOR AGREEMENT

Senator Penrose Predicts that Reciprocity Bill Will Secure Sixty Senate Votes for its Final Passage

WASHINGTON, June 16.—The determination of the senate finance committee to push through the Canadian reciprocity bill, and the confidence of senate leaders of a clear majority in favor of the bill without amendments, were made plain today when Chairman Penrose of the committee forced the bill into its second reading and announced its probable adoption.

Consideration of the measure was brief and no one was prepared to speak at length.

Before the senate assembled, Senator Penrose had given out a formal statement, claiming sixty votes in favor of the measure, and the confidence of senate leaders of a clear majority in favor of the bill without amendments, were made plain today when Chairman Penrose of the committee forced the bill into its second reading and announced its probable adoption.

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FRUIT LAND PRICES

Blocks Sold in Vicinity of Nelson Show Extraordinary Increase in Values

NELSON, B. C., June 16.—Remarkable increases in fruit land values in the Kootenay are shown by the sale of H. M. Foster's ranch on the Kootenay lake to W. G. Hunter of the great English shipbuilding firm of Swan, Hunter, Wiggin and Richardson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

For fourteen and a half acres, eight thousand five hundred dollars cash was paid today, bringing the value of the twenty-five acre block which Mr. Foster purchased from the government for one dollar an acre in 1893 to \$25,000, or one thousand dollars an acre, a thousand-fold increase.

Included in this block is the ranch recently sold by Dr. Clayton for four thousand five hundred. Another block sold for four thousand and a ranch conservatively estimated to be worth eight thousand.

MISS SUTTON PLAYS IN CHALLENGE ROUND

PHILADELPHIA, June 16.—Miss Florence Sutton, of Pasadena, Calif., this afternoon beat Miss Eleanor Sears of Boston, in the final for the women's national lawn tennis championship. The score was 6-2, 6-1.

Tomorrow Miss Sutton will meet in the challenge round, Miss Hazel Hotchkiss, of Berkeley, Cal., the present national champion.

Barring a little nervousness at the start and some uncertainty of her overhead play, Miss Sutton played a magnificent game, and with her forehand drives down the side lines and her cross court strokes were well timed and there was never any doubt as to the outcome.

In the semi-final of the women's doubles Miss Sears and Miss Hotchkiss won in straight sets from Miss Roberts and Miss Ostheimer. Miss Sutton and Miss Green won from Miss Browning and Miss Wilby.

NEW YORK, June 16.—"It's a ghost dance," said James J. Hill, the railway magnate, in speaking of the opposition to Canadian reciprocity in the north-west. "It's a ghost dance, that is all it is," said H. "The farmers of the north-west are not opposed to reciprocity with Canada. A group of politicians up there, who are being pulled by strings that lie beyond their domain, are trying to excite the farmers just as the medicine men or snake doctors used to do among the Indians when devilment was afoot. These snake dancers would get the Indians around a camp fire and start a ghost dance that would end them up into a frightful fury. Then the Indians would go out and savage the white settlements. But these snake doctors who are now trying to raise the devil in the north-west are finding out that the dance can't be worked on the pale-faces up there."

LIQUOR ACT, 1910—SEC. 49

Notice is hereby given that on the sixth day of July next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for the transfer of the license for the sale of liquor by retail in and upon the premises known as the Port Augusta Hotel, situate at Comox, British Columbia, from Joseph Holmes to John C. Clarence, of North Bend, British Columbia.

(Sd.) J. C. CLARENCE, Holder of License.

JOHN C. CLARENCE, Applicant for Transfer.

DR. GORDON C. HEWITT, Dominion Entomologist, says, referring to the infantile death rate from intestinal diseases and diarrhea spread by the house fly, he believes that the so-called harmless fly is really causing the death of thousands of infants, as well as spreading the germs of typhoid fever.

WILSON'S Fly Pads are the only thing that will rid your house of these dangerous pests.

DEPOSITS LOST

Unsuccessful Labor Candidates in Nova Scotia Elections—No Change in Results

HALIFAX, June 16.—John T. Joy, labor candidate in Halifax, who polled 2,572 votes in Wednesday's general election, will lose his deposit. He was more than 400 under the half of the lowest successful candidate.

To get back his deposit of \$100 the law requires that half of the lowest successful vote must be polled by a candidate. The same fate has befallen labor candidates in Cape Breton and Pictou counties.

There are no changes in the results as announced at first, and the standing of the parties in the House of Assembly will be 27 government and 11 opposition.

Can Play on Sunday

TORONTO, June 16.—The police magistrate today dismissed the charge of violation of the Lord's Day act preferred against the musicians at an amusement park here, holding that the sacred Sunday band concerts were within the law whether the musicians are Canadians, Americans or Italians, the only stipulation being that no "rag-time" be played.

Workers Interfered With

VANCOUVER, June 16.—The demand was made by the Vancouver Exhibition Civic Committee today that the gates of the grounds be kept closed while the men engaged in erecting the buildings are at work. Several hundred strikers, it was stated, threatened, jostled and stoned the workers daily although the contractors in every way had carried out union demands. The request was refused, Mayor Taylor holding that a telephone message to the police would bring a force of men there in a few minutes sufficient to quell any disorders.

Work on Marine Wreck