

PAYROLL IS A LARGE ONE \$70,000 PER MONTH PAID AT JORDAN RIVER

Large Force of Men Employed—Expenditure to Date of Half Million Dollars.

Excellent progress is being made on the work of installing the immense electrical generating plant at Jordan river by the Vancouver Island Power Company, a subsidiary concern of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, and there is every indication that the project will be completed early in the coming year, in accordance with the calculations which were made previous to the commencement of the undertaking. Some delay has been experienced in securing delivery of pipes, otherwise it would be possible to record even greater progress.

Some idea of the immensity of the project will be gathered when it is stated that there is now a force of no less than 725 men being steadily employed at the site of the power house. The bulk of this huge expenditure has been expended to date the sum of \$500,000 and that the greater proportion of this amount has been paid out in wages. The payroll averages \$70,000 per month.

PROSPECTOR IS IN PITIFUL PLIGHT

Man Who Shot Wife to End Her Sufferings Threatened With Loss of Reason

New York, Sept. 17.—After having shot his wife to put an end to her suffering when she was in a fatal condition, James McDowell, a prospector and miner, is under the care of a physician here and is threatened with loss of reason.

McDowell granted the plea of his wife to end her agony when she fell from a trail in the Cascade mountains, one day's trip from the nearest habitation. She was mortally crushed but conscious, and until McDowell shot her suffered intense pain.

RACE FOR NATIONAL BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP

Pilot Van Phul Believes St. Louis Entry Will Break Endurance Record

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 17.—Nine balloons will sail away this afternoon in the national championship race. Four others, a little later, will start in the "free for all" race. The big gas bags will be loosed from their moorings at 3 o'clock.

A brisk wind is blowing to-day toward the northwest, and if it continues and the upper air currents are following the same course, the racers will be carried out over the great lakes. St. Louis pilot Van Phul, piloting the "Million Population Club," the St. Louis entrant, is the favorite in the national race. Van Phul has sailed in many of the big races and is considered one of the most expert pilots in the country. The "Million Club" is a new balloon. This is the first race in which it has been entered. It was especially constructed with a number of minor changes in design, made at the suggestion of Van Phul, who believes that the monster bag will break the endurance record, staying in the air longer than any balloon that has ever been aloft.

HAS NOT RESIGNED

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 17.—"I have not resigned," said Chief of Police John B. Martin to-day, in reply to the statements in the morning papers that the chief has handed in his resignation and will retire on a pension. Martin himself declares he has done nothing of the kind. "I ought to know," continued the chief, discussing the matter to-day. "It is of course too bad to have to contradict so many excellent newspaper stories, but the truth of the matter is that I have not handed in any resignation to anybody, and have not been deposed, and therefore I am still chief of police."

LONDON, Sept. 17.—The Boy Scouts and Cadets who have returned from a visit to Canada speak warmly of the reception there. The Imperial Cadet Association proposes to extend in 1911 invitations to teams from all the overseas dominions. It is also hoped to send a British cadet team around the empire.

FINE FRUIT OF THE ISLAND FARMERS HANDICAPPED IN MARKETING PRODUCT

Growers in Cowichan Lake District Realize Need of Co-operative Movement.

A gentleman who has just returned from a tour of the district in the neighborhood of Cowichan Lake says the farmers are badly off for facilities for marketing their fruit. He was talking to one farmer who showed him some magnificent apples. The visitor asked what the price was per box, and the grower replied that he would be glad to get 50c.

On being told that the same apple could not be bought in Victoria for less than \$2 or \$2.25 per box, the farmer was much amazed, though he seemed to regard the marketing problem as hopeless. A considerable quantity of the very finest fruit is being grown in the Cowichan Lake district, and of course the production will be greatly increased in the near future with the growth of settlement consequent on the improved transportation facilities which are promised. But the farmers are handicapped in respect to marketing arrangements owing to the absence of any co-operative movement.

In the opinion of the Times' informant, who, by the way, is very familiar with the transportation of fruit, what is needed is something in the nature of a fruit growers' exchange, managed by a thoroughly competent business man. It has been his experience that in a great majority of instances the growers are by temperament and training unable to look after the business end of their interests. The consequence is that when they, individually, send shipments to cities they find themselves at the mercy of the middleman, who buys as cheaply as he can and sells at the highest figure the market will stand.

It ought to be possible, it is argued, for the growers to co-operate and early in the season be able to compute with reasonable accuracy the number of boxes of apples they will be able to ship, reporting the same to the business manager, who could then arrange for carload shipments. In this way the marketing would be systematized and the best prices obtained.

The matter is one of some importance in view of the certainty that with the development of the island by the extension of railroads, the fruit-producing area will in the very near future be very materially increased. It may be added that it is the opinion of the Times' informant that the country around Cowichan Lake is destined to become one of the most famous fruit-growing districts in the whole province.

WANT TO "PLAY THE GAME."

New York Says Downfall Is Due to "Money Craze."

New York, Sept. 17.—After refusing the aid of friends who offered to furnish his bond, Adolph Rothbarth, who borrowed \$225,000 from New York banks without security and was unable to repay the money, is a prisoner in the Tombs to-day. He owes his downfall, he declares, to "the money craze that pervades the atmosphere of New York."

Rothbarth borrowed the money, he said, for experimental purposes. He wanted to play "the game" as he believed great financiers play it.

"Money is in the air in New York," he said. "You breathe it and live it; you see it; you talk it when you awake, and dream it when you sleep. 'I hope they will send me to prison, I believe they will. There, if anywhere in the world, the atmosphere one has to breathe will be a bit different.'"

VISITORS WELCOMED.

Prince Albert, Sask., Sept. 17.—A royal welcome awaited the Prince Albert football team last night, when they arrived from Saskatoon, where they won the championship of the province by beating Regina. A crowd gathered at the depot to welcome the winners, although it was late and a procession was formed, headed by a band, going through the main streets of the city. The victory caused great glee here owing to the action of Regina in going to Toronto to compete for the People's shield before the final in Saskatoon has been played.

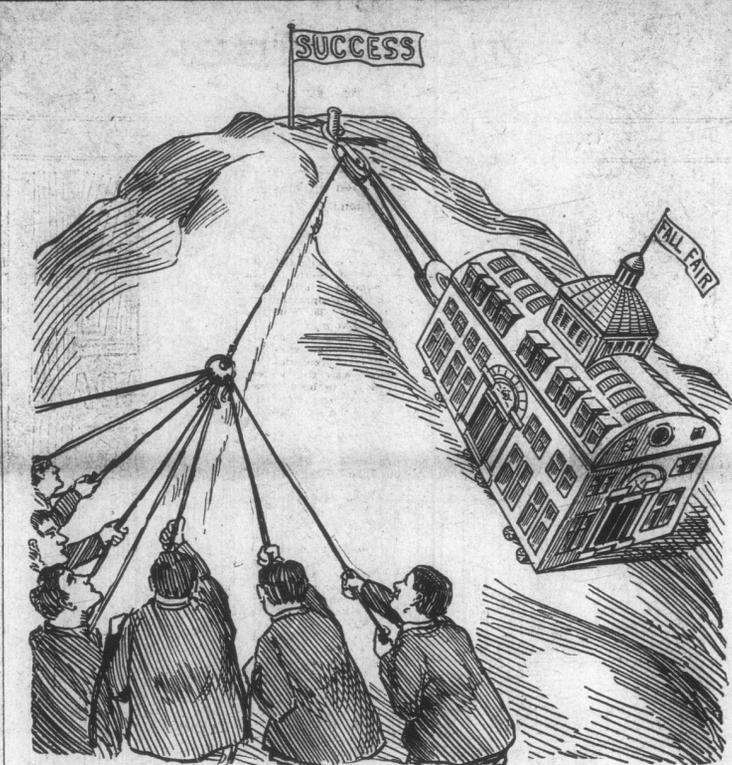
TWO MEN MURDERED WHILE HUNTING

Number of Posses Are Searching for Murderers in Mountains in Arizona

Globe, Ariz., Sept. 17.—Posses are to-day scouring the White Mountains for the murderers of Fred Kibbe and Geo. Hillpot, well known Globe business men, whose bodies were found in an isolated part of the mountains where they had been hunting. Feeling is incensed as a result of the murder. Sheriff Thompson is hunting for the murderers in an automobile, and Indian trappers from Rice have joined in the pursuit. Other posses from all neighboring sections took up the man hunt early to-day. It is believed the murderers are headed for the New Mexico line.

INVITED TO TORONTO.

Toronto, Sept. 17.—Cardinal Vannutelli has been invited to lay the cornerstone of the new St. Augustine seminary for young priests now under construction.



A LONG PULL, A STRONG PULL AND A PULL ALTOGETHER!

TRIBESMEN IN BORDER WARFARE

TWO THOUSAND KILLED OR WOUNDED

Another Battle Will Probably Be Fought Between Rivals in Arabia

Milan, Sept. 17.—Two thousand Arabs have been killed or wounded in a battle fought between warring tribesmen in the Vilayet of Bassorah, in Asiatic Turkey, according to a dispatch received here to-day from Constantinople.

The fight marked the open outbreak of border disturbances that have long been smouldering between the tribesmen living across the Turkish border in Arabia and others living in Bassorah. Though there has not been a battle of such magnitude since the disturbances began, there have been a number of minor encounters and the tribesmen have been gathering their forces in preparation for a decisive conflict.

U. S. TO REORGANIZE COAST DEFENCES

Strengthening of National Guard Included in Scheme Now Under Consideration

Washington, D. C., Sept. 17.—A gigantic scheme for the entire reorganization of the defence of the Pacific coast, from fortifications to the National Guard, is being considered by the general staff of the United States army. Startling disclosures of the lack of preparedness for defence are expected in response to a resolution which Congressman McLaughlin of California introduced.

General Leonard Woods, of the staff, lays the blame for what is termed "a deplorable condition" on the lack of "Pioneer" officers. The situation in the regular army is bad, he says, but in the National Guard it is worse. General Wood says there are not enough officers to instruct civilians in the art of warfare. It is planned by the general staff to begin by making the National Guard more effective. The staff members hope to accomplish this by creating a reserve whose members on retirement will be given an honorable army discharge.

It is intended to encourage re-enlistment, not only of non-commissioned officers but of specialists, who are greatly needed. The rest of the National Guard will be enlisted as reserves and will be given a small monthly stipend. They will be required to attend the army manoeuvres annually. The McLaughlin resolution declares that the entire Pacific coast is virtually defenceless and that such permanent defences as it has are of an almost obsolete type.

BOTHA RESIGNS PREMIERSHIP

THREE SOUTH AFRICAN MINISTERS DEFEATED

Orange Unit Will Support the Government Only On Its Own Terms

Johannesburg, Sept. 17.—The position of the parties in South Africa now: Nationalists, 52; Unionists, 36; Independents, 10; Labor, 4.

The report that General Botha resigns the premiership of the Union is confirmed. For several minutes after the declaration of the poll, General Botha, who was unstrung, remained speechless and livid. Minister of Commerce More is also defeated.

LABORER ACCUSED OF STEALING GOLD DUST

Arrested When Leaving Seattle Assay Office and Will Be Taken to Nome

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 17.—John Tyberg, a Norwegian laborer, is locked up in the county jail and will be taken back to Nome, Alaska, to answer to the charge of stealing nearly \$15,000 in gold dust from the sluice boxes of the Pioneer Mining Company by which he paid \$14,945 for the dust, and as he left the office a Pinkerton agent placed him under arrest. The loss of the dust was known to the Pioneer people, and the detective agency had been watching Tyberg since his arrival in Seattle.

Tyberg protests his innocence, and the Norwegian vice-consul has interested himself in his behalf.

POPULATION OF NEW ORLEANS.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 17.—The census bureau to-day announced the population of New Orleans, according to the federal census recently completed, is 389,079.

FOREST FIRES EXTINGUISHED

RAINFALL GENERAL IN PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Oregon Legislature Deal With Question of Fire Wards

Portland, Ore., Sept. 17.—The general rain storm sweeping over the Pacific Northwest to-day has put an end to one of the worst forest fire seasons in coast history, according to officials of the forestry service.

The rains which began yesterday extend from central Idaho to the Pacific ocean, and the downpour practically extinguished the conflagration in the burning district.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST SPANISH PREMIER

Clericals Are Preparing for Demonstration Throughout Spain Next Month

Madrid, Sept. 17.—Monsignor Vico, the papal nuncio at Madrid, has returned from Saragosa after a month's stay at the summer resort and with his reappearance in the capital the organization of the clerical campaign against Premier Canalejas is proceeding with renewed activity.

Great preparations under the direction of priests are being made for the inauguration of a series of manifestations and meetings of protest to be held throughout the country on October 2, the day before the Cortes reassembles. Particular care will be taken that the meetings assume a patriotic character.

NEW WARSHIPS FOR THE CHINESE NAVY

Vessels Will Probably Be Built at Union Iron Works, San Francisco

San Francisco, Sept. 17.—Charles M. Schwab, steel magnate, will arrive in San Francisco to-morrow morning to meet T'iao Huan, prince of China, and close a deal whereby, it is said, Chinese navy will be built at the Union Iron Works in this city.

Schwab's conference with the prince is the outcome of more than a year's correspondence between the Chinese government and the Schwab interests. It is said that plans for the war vessels were forwarded to China by Schwab some time ago. It is also said that the prince's visit, though ostensibly one of instruction, is for the purpose of closing up the deal. The Chinese party will accompany the Schwab people east.

TWO KILLED BY TRAIN.

Lynn, Ont., Sept. 17.—George East and David Graham, section men on the Grand Trunk, were struck and instantly killed by a freight at an early hour yesterday. Owing to the fog prevailing the men did not see the train in time to step out of the way.

Montreal, Sept. 17.—Timothy Candy, who last May murdered two city policemen while being placed under arrest for theft, was sentenced by Judge St. Pierre, to be hanged on Friday, Nov. 18.

SAANICH WANTS MORE WATER

GROWING NEEDS OF ADJACENT DISTRICT

City of Victoria Asked to Co-operate in Matter of Distribution System.

That it is desirable that steps should be taken at once to increase the water supply facilities in South Saanich municipality, that there should be hearty co-operation between Victoria and the municipality to that end, and that the question presents no insuperable obstacles to an easy adjustment were conclusions arrived at on Friday, when a conference was held between the streets committee of the city council and a deputation representing South Saanich.

Reeve Nicholson presented the case for the municipality in a brief speech. He thought the members of the council were all agreed that the district which he had the honor to represent had hardly been fairly treated in the matter of a water supply. As the case was, the municipality would be in the position of having to take what was left over after Oak Bay and the city had been supplied, notwithstanding that the source of the water supply was within the boundaries of the municipality.

What the deputation had to recommend to the board was that the city should agree to lay down a further quantity of distribution pipe amounting to about 2,000 feet. This would serve present requirements. The municipality would bear all cost in connection therewith, if the city would agree to do the work of installation. There was a considerable amount of distribution pipes in the district at present. He suggested that the city engineer be asked to make an estimate of the cost of the undertaking.

SHOULD SOON PRODUCE REPORT

UNIVERSITY COMMISSION HAS COMPLETED LABORS

Dean Weldon Stated in Halifax That Report Has Been Sent to Government.

(From Saturday's Daily.) An immediate announcement by the government as to the report of the University Site Selection Commission may be anticipated, as there is the best of reason for believing that the findings of the commission are in the hands of the executive.

What leads the Times to take this view of the situation is the receipt of information that Dean Weldon, of Dalhousie University, who was chairman of the commission, stated at Halifax the other day that the report had been forwarded to the government of British Columbia.

THRESHING WHEAT AT EXPERIMENTAL FARM

Yield of Different Varieties Runs From 27 to 34 Bushels Per Acre

(Special to the Times.) Brandon, Sept. 17.—Threshing operations have been in progress at the experimental farm all week and up to yesterday nearly one thousand bushels of different varieties of wheat had been inspected. The coarse grains also promise yielding well. Threshing of oats and barley will commence on Monday as the wheat will be finished Monday. To-day the yield of the different varieties of wheat per acre is as follows: Red Fyfe, 28 bushels; White Fyfe, 27 bushels; Preston, 32 bushels; Early Red Fyfe, 27 bushels. The vegetable crops at the experimental farm are very fine, much better than had been expected considering the dry season.

IN MEMORY OF HEROES OF NORTHWEST REBELLION

Two Brass Tablets Are Unveiled in the Armories at Toronto

(Special to the Times.) Toronto, Sept. 17.—Two brass tablets in commemoration of those who fell in the engagement of Cut Knife and Batchoche in the Northwest rebellion, were unveiled at the armories.

Mrs. S. Nordheimer, on behalf of the Toronto chapters of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, presided at the ceremony, and presented the tablets to Archdeacon Lloyd, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

FIGHT FOR HOME RULE

Messrs. John Redmond and P. O'Connor Will Collect Funds to Continue Struggle.

Liverpool, Sept. 17.—John Redmond and T. P. O'Connor, Irish Nationalist members of parliament, sailed for America to-day on the liner Baltic on their long planned trip to collect funds for the fight for Home Rule in Ireland. They were accompanied by Messrs. Boyle and Devlin, Nationalists, who will be their chief lieutenants in the American campaign.

Redmond plans a six weeks' tour of the middle western states; Devlin will work through the south and Bay of Fundy to the seaboard and Canada. He intends to devote himself specially to Canada and hopes to have as chairman of his meetings at various provincial capitals the premier of Ontario, Mr. O'Connor believes his party is nearer success than it has been for many years. He predicts Home Rule for Ireland within the next two years.

ENDS LIFE ON TRAIN

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, Sept. 17.—Inspector Robertson of the Winnipeg police force, committed suicide on a train near Toronto.

DECLARES DUE TO EXPERT EVIDENCE

Doctor Unable to Identify Mangled Body

(From Saturday's Daily.) London, Sept. 16.—A crown to-day admitted to the grumbling Dr. H. H. Rippen, when they could not determine mangled body found of the Crippen's 'lille. The witnesses were asked and Dr. H. H. Rippen, employed by the government, examined parts in the Crippen home, which he said were not the body of the woman.

Questioned to-day the body, Dr. Rippen said it was "probably female." Answering the question, representing the government, Dr. Rippen said he had no objection to a microscopic examination of the body found but that it was not the body of the woman.

Through the prison to-day the body was removed a few feet from the place where it was found. It is said that it is a fall against the wall of the prison. "Persons who knew Mrs. Crippen died poisoning," testified, dose, evidence of the body found in the Crippen home, more than that required fatal results, indicating in the preparation of the body for death followed poison within an hour.

Dr. Wilcox testified that he had examined the body and found it was the body of a woman. He said that he had examined the body and found it was the body of a woman. He said that he had examined the body and found it was the body of a woman.

TO ORGANIZE OF VETERANS

Col. Thomas Scragg on Toronto

Winnipeg, Sept. 17.—Col. Thomas Scragg, ex-M. P., chairman of the committee at the Association of the Veterans of the Empire, to-day on a visit to Winnipeg, Saturday evening, organized a branch and it is hoped to have a meeting in the city.

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