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COMMUNICATION WITH HILL TOPS

Italian Towns Ask for Construction of Alpine Railways to Bring Supplies—Will Rob Them of Romance.

Rome, June 12.—(Associated Press, by mail).—Hill towns of Italy which dot the landscape from north to south and have been the subject of writers and painters for centuries are threatened with an invasion of modern mechanical contrivances which will rob them of their aged romance and unspoiled picturesqueness.

The hill towns are relics of the old feudal system. The lord of the manor built his castle upon a hill and the whole of his vassals clustered their habitations about him. The position on almost inaccessible heights was sought for safety from invading neighbors. These towns, dotted the hills stand today almost untouched by the centuries. The walls of the houses are thick and strong. Food has been hauled up to the hills by hand labor and horses since they were built. Women carried on their heads the water and other household necessities.

The plan now is to build Alpine railways from the plains to the hills as labor-saving devices. The perfect Alpine cable lines which the Italian army built over the Alps during the war are being sought for the work. Already a number of the towns have applied to the ministry for the disordered Alpine cables so that they can be erected for the towns.

DAUGHTER FIGHTS FOR \$30,000,000 ESTATE

Contests Will of Pittsburg Iron Magnate

Pittsburg, July 2.—A move to set aside the will of William Penn Snyder, pig-iron magnate, involving an estate of \$30,000,000, has been filed in court on behalf of Mrs. Mary Black Drew, his only daughter. The petition alleges that when the will was executed he did not possess a sound mind, and that, by reason of an illness for four or five years before his death, he did not possess testamentary capacity.

The will created three trustees, who, the petition states, can use all the income of the estate to maintain and develop it. No definite provision is made for maintenance of Mr. Snyder's widow and the other members of his immediate family.

Mr. Snyder, who died early in the year, owned the Shenandoah Furnace Company, iron ore mines in Minnesota, iron ore boats on the Great Lakes and coal and coke operations at Wilpen, Penn.

HAS GREAT HOPES IN CREDIT SCHEME

Sir Drummond Drummond-Fraser Sees in it Restoration of Austria's Financial Strength—Might be Effective Also on Turkey.

London, June 15.—(Associated Press by mail).—Sir Drummond Drummond-Fraser, organizer of the International Credits Scheme of the League of Nations, is immensely pleased with the reception it has met in Austria. He says he can see only one serious obstacle to the successful application of the scheme to all the countries now in financial difficulties and that is a psychological one.

"The trouble," he said, when recently interviewed, "is that the countries are so unwilling to admit that they need international financial assistance. They seem to feel towards it much as individuals do 'poor-law' relief. It hurts their national pride to admit that they are impoverished by the war. Of course," he added, "if we can make the great success of the rehabilitation of Austria which I believe we shall make, it will be different. People will then see a country which has been brought to the lowest depths of bankruptcy gradually becoming prosperous and contented again as the result of our bringing its internal position to the condition in which the International Credits Scheme can be applied. They will see the currency stabilized and that is one of the most important factors in connection with credit and trade."

"It may sound paradoxical," he continued, "in talking about a country in the position of Austria to say that credit is sometimes not worth having. But that has been exactly the case owing to the fluctuations of the Austrian exchange. To my personal knowledge there are traders in Austria at this moment who have been offered credit—this was before the proposals of the International Credits Scheme were put forward—and simply dared not take the risk of accepting because they did not know what the exchange was going to do next."

"In my short stay of three months a fluctuation took place which would inevitably have bankrupted anybody who had tried to do business on a large scale. On the day of my arrival I cashed a check and got 2,600 kronen to the pound. Before I left I cashed another check and the rate was 2,125 kronen to the pound. The International Credits Scheme will put a stop to this fluctuation and to the issue of unlimited paper money. Whether or not it can be brought back later to the pre-war parity is a secondary matter. The really important thing is to stop it from fluctuating."

Questioned about further developments of the scheme, he considered that it might be efficacious in setting Turkish finance on its feet again and that it might well be employed by Greece, Bulgaria and Roumania and possibly later by Poland.

As far as the great powers are concerned he considered that the scheme was principally of importance to America, France and ourselves. "America," he said, "is now making a great volume of mass-production. To succeed with this policy she requires unlimited markets. As for ourselves," he continued, "our European trade has always been enormous, especially in the Near Eastern countries, and their markets were completely cut off. Previous to the war our European trade amounted to 200,000,000 pounds a year (approximately). Today, however, just because Central and Eastern Europe are unable to buy from us, this enormous volume of trade is for the moment lost. The International Credits Scheme, however, gives us the opportunity of getting it back by establishing a system of credit for the purchase of essentials, free from inflation and secured by assets of a gold value with a regular revenue, more than sufficient to pay the interest and sinking fund."

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France. Provisional, but approximately exact, figures for the first three months of this year show total exports of 4,811,000,000 francs and imports of 4,781,000,000.

The importations of France before the war, excepting in 1905, ran from twenty to twenty-five per cent. higher than the exports.

An unexpected showing is that France exported during the three months 292 per cent. more manufactured articles than in the first three months of the last normal year before the war.

SOME CANADIANS WILL PARTICIPATE

Royalty Will Attend Aerial Pageant at Hendon Today in Aid of Air Force Memorial Fund.

London, July 2.—(By Canadian Press).—Canadians here are taking a keen interest in the aerial pageant, in aid of the Royal Air Force Memorial Fund, to be held at Hendon today. A large number of Canadian men served in the Royal Air Force during the war and interest has been added to the event through the fact that they will participate in the benefits.

Last year the pageant provided \$35,000 for the fund and it is expected that a greater amount will be realized this year. Preparations have been made on an elaborate scale.

Many sides of warfare in the air will be depicted by skilled flyers, including fighting in the air, air raids and a realistic and elaborately staged representation of the bombing of a village by a fleet of airplanes.

Royalty will be in attendance at the spectacle. The objects for which the fund is being established include the building of a monument, the establishment of places of education for the children of airmen and assistance for officers and men of the force during sickness. Of the 400,000 pounds sterling needed, about one-third has been raised.

The fund was started on the initiative of Air-Marshal Sir Hugh Trenchard, to commemorate the services during the war of the Royal Flying Corps, to which all Canadian airmen were attached; the Australian Flying Corps, the Naval Air Service and the Royal Air Force.

A BODY FOUND

Caracquet, July 1.—The body of a man has been picked up in the water off Caracquet Island. The body was identified as that of Augustine Lambert, who drowned last fall. Phileas R. Gionet found the son's body.

INJURED MAN PLAYS HARMONICA, BARRING ETHER UNDER SURGERY

Boston, July 2.—His own music soothes Oscar J. Kelley of South Boston that he preferred it to ether while hospital surgeons were probing for a bullet in his thigh.

When the doctors started to put Kelley under the influence of the anesthetic he objected strenuously. Then he called for his harmonica, jumped upon the operating table and played the matter up.

The I. O. G. T. repeated their success, "An Old-Fashioned Mother," in the Agricultural Hall, Hampton, last evening before a large audience. All the players performed creditably. There was no change from the cast which produced the play in the city.

FOREIGN TRADE BALANCE NOW IN FRANCE'S FAVOR

Paris, June 12.—(A. P., by Mail).—For the first time since 1909 the foreign trade balance has turned in favor of France.

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LOCAL NEWS

Miss Muriel H. Ford of St. John has passed the final examinations for licentiate (performers) class at McGill Conservatory of Music, Montreal.

A meeting of the creditors of the Fowler Milling Company, Ltd., was held on Thursday in the office of the Eastern Trust Company. C. H. Ferguson, manager of the trust company, was elected chairman of the meeting. R. M. Owen, W. H. Harrison and C. F. Inches were appointed inspectors. The inspectors are to prepare a report to be submitted to a later meeting.

The Fourth Siege Battery returned from Petawa, yesterday at noon after spending three days at the Ontario camp. The boys are all tanned up, and while they enjoyed the trip they were all a bit tired and glad to get back home. They gave a fine account of themselves while under canvas, and turned in several good scores. The battery was under the command of Major J. T. McGowan. Lieutenants Dodge and Simonds also accompanied the battery.

The West India trade agreement came up for discussion at the meeting of the council of the Board of Trade, on Thursday, when D. W. Ledingham, chairman of the trade and commerce committee, reported upon the possibilities of an in-

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gayly while the bullet was removed. The shot was fired after a quarrel between Kelley and his stepson, Frank Tattson. Tattson was held on a charge of assault and battery with intent to kill.

RATS CARRY OFF HER COSTLY STRING OF PEARLS

Rome, June 11.—(A. P., by Mail).—Mrs. Helen Wenning, an Alsatian residing in a fashionable hotel here, recently reported to the police that she had missed a pearl necklace from her jewelry case. Everything was done to find out what had become of the gems. Detectives interviewed hotel employees, but no clue could be found. A day or two later, one of the men searching about the

nooks and corners of Mrs. Wenning's room found a piece of these pearls near a tiny hole in the floor. Although investigation was then made, it was all that was found, the detective concluded that rats had stolen away with the lady's string of pearls.

"Hospital Nine Miles Away"

Motorists on the north shore of Long Island meet with many kinds of signs which give warning of steep hills or sharp turns. This is especially true of the shore road, which traces the coast line of the sound. Near Oyster Bay, there is a sign with this potent warning: "Slow down, dangerous hill. Nearest hospital nine miles away."—Wall Street Journal.

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