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MANY STUDENTS COMMIT SUICIDE IN 'FATHERLAND'

Failure in Examination in Germany Regarded as a Very Serious Matter.

THREE YOUNG STUDENTS SUICIDED IN ONE DAY.

Rather Than Face Result of Failure To Qualify For Higher Standing.

BERLIN, May 27.—The recent examinations at the German schools were again, as each year, accompanied with numerous instances of boys killing themselves, either through fear that they would not pass or because of mortification at failure.

On a single day three suicides of students, all less than eighteen years old, were reported, and the body of one who had drowned himself some days earlier was recovered. These instances were in greater Berlin alone. One of the boys threw himself in front of a train because he had not been promoted to a higher class. A suicide by drowning was that of a seventeen-year-old boy who was shortly to try the examination entitling him to discharge his military duties with one year's service.

Failure Is Serious Handicap

The fixed bureaucratic scheme of life for the average German, while not explaining such suicides, throws some light on the youths' actions. Failure to be graduated from school is a serious thing.

To become a "Beamter," that is, a public official, is the goal of a great percentage of young Germans, for the official enjoys many privileges not granted to the non-official German. He has a certain tenure, a retiring pension, and other material advantages, and enjoys especial protection under the law of insults, it being a much graver crime to insult an official than a private citizen.

Bar to Great Positions

Even in private life they find it almost impossible to secure responsible positions with mercantile firms, and they are, of course, debarred from entering the learned professions. It is not altogether strange that the German youth is disposed to take a grave view of his failure.

It is not only students in the schools who kill themselves before or after examinations. A man of twenty-two, who had been studying legal procedure, reached the point where he was to take his examination for advancement to court clerk. He repeatedly told his friends that he was sure he would not pass the examination.

Trying To Let Huerta Out Easy

His Withdrawal Is Likely at Early Date, and the Way is Being Smoothed for Him

Washington, May 27.—Official despatches sent from Mexico City, and received by a diplomatic source here, today, say that the withdrawal of Huerta is possible, but that it is being delayed by the necessity of arrangements to permit the dictator to abdicate with dignity.

ADVENTURE LEAVES SATURDAY

S.S. Adventure leaves Philadelphia Saturday for St. John's. Mr. James Maher informs us that she is undergoing complete overhauling and when the work is finished she will be as good as when she first left the stocks. Six new plates have been put in and her engine room has been thoroughly overhauled.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE FOR BEST RESULTS

ULSTER'S ACTION MAKES BIG DELAY

Original Bill Provided for Dublin Parliament to Assemble in September 1913, But This Has Been Prevented and Cannot Take Place Until After an Election, Which Means Two Years' Delay.

(Special Ulster Correspondence of the Toronto News)

LONDONDERRY—Most people have probably forgotten that in the Home Rule Bill, as introduced in the House of Commons in 1912, clause 42 provided as follows: "The Irish Parliament shall be summoned to meet on the first Tuesday in September, 1913, and the first election of members of the Irish House of Commons shall be held at such time before that day as may be fixed by His Majesty in Council."

Ulstermen no doubt find a world of encouragement in the three facts that the day named for the opening of the Dublin Legislature is already seven months past, that the Bill has just received its final reading, and that even now it has become law, the Government will allow a general election to intervene before attempting to enforce it.

At the worst, Ulster's resistance will have delayed the realization of Mr. Redmond's plans for two years. The hope of the North, of course, is that the English and Scottish electors will come to their aid and destroy the present measure by returning the Unionists to office.

Krupps Assessed \$2,150,000 Taxes

Baroness Krupp and Her Husband Pay \$1,725,000, and the Company Over \$200,000.

Berlin, May 26.—It is officially stated that the joint contributions of the Krupp family and firm at Essen to the \$250,000,000 "war tax" now being assessed in Germany is \$2,151,750. Baroness Bertha Krupp von Bohlen and her husband will pay \$1,725,000; the Krupp Company \$211,750, and Frau Krupp, the "Cannon Queen's" widowed mother, \$215,000.

Between them the Krupps will pay 57 per cent. of the entire contribution of the city of Essen.

LAKONIA COMING.

The Donaldson liner Lakonia leaves Glasgow on June 16th with a cargo of coal for A. Harvey & Co. She will then proceed to Botwood to load paper and pulp for England.

Arranging Cheap Service By Cable

Cabled Letters Between Great Britain and Colonies at Much Reduced Rates

Halifax, May 27.—It has been arranged between the C.P.R. and British Pacific Cable Board to inaugurate a week-end Australia, including the Canada and Australia, including the Fiji Islands, commencing May 28th. The rate between the Dominion and Australia will be three dollars for twenty words or less, each additional word fifteen cents.

CARTHAGINIAN SAILS

S.S. Carthaginian sailed at 1 p.m. for Halifax and Philadelphia, taking the following passengers: Mrs. W. Marshall and 2 children, Mrs. McNab, W. Walcop, Mr. Davies, Miss Davies, Miss Parker, Mrs. R. H. Trappnell, M. S. Isbester, W. H. Show, O. B. Stanton, Mr. Scherwin, Master Scherwin, Miss Lloyne, Mrs. J. Peters, W. T. Hodge, A. M. Marshall, R. E. Chambers, Mrs. G. Nicholle and child, Miss M. Worrall, C. F. Blackler, P. Bastione for Halifax and S. McBrien for Philadelphia.

DEATH OF CAPT. J. PENNEY TAKES PLACE AT CARBONEAR

Capt. J. Penney of Carbonear, father-in-law of Mr. E. Taylor, general freight agent with the R. N. Co., died at Carbonear last night. Deceased was 63 years of age and was well known all over the Island.

ADVANCE AGENT IS NOW IN ST. JOHN'S MAKING PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANS-OCEANIC FLIGHT IN AUGUST

Mr. W. E. de B. Whittaker Will Select a Suitable Place From Which to Start Aeroplanes.

IS REPRESENTING HAMEL THE BRITISH AVIATOR.

Flight Will Not be Made From St. John's or Neighborhood But From the North.

PROBABLY FROM NEAR BOTWOOD

Starting-Point Must be From Some Level Spot, Field or Sandy Beach.

Mr. W. E. de B. Whittaker, a member of the Royal Aero Club, London, is at present visiting St. John's, as the representative of Gustave Hamel, the British aviator, who in August will attempt to fly across the Atlantic Ocean from Newfoundland to Ireland.

Mr. Whittaker is a young Englishman, of a retiring disposition, who a few years ago did some flying, but recently has devoted his time to the business end of aerial work.

Mr. Whittaker, when seen by our reporter, was much concerned over the fate of the famous aviator.

Grave News of Hamel

Yesterday the press messages gave up hope of the finding of Hamel, who on Saturday night started to fly from France across the English Channel to England. It was feared that he was either blown into the North Sea, after losing his way in dense mist, or that a mishap had occurred to his machine.

To-day we publish a despatch from Newcastle that Hamel landed at South Shields from a fishing boat. The boat which saved him was a foreign vessel which had been driven out of her course, thus causing the delay in giving information as to the rescue of the aviator.

Anxious Wait

Mr. Whittaker was anxiously awaiting confirmation of the report. The last messages he received were not encouraging and he questioned the authenticity of the message which reported the aviator safe.

He is expecting a cablegram hourly giving him definite and reliable information.

Mr. Whittaker is a great personal friend of Mr. Hamel, and is greatly concerned as to his whereabouts.

Residents of St. John's will deeply regret that the start of the trans-Atlantic flight will not be made from this city. Many who had never seen a flying machine in operation were looking forward with interest to seeing the machines from this city or its neighborhood.

It is the intention to make the start as far north as possible, and to begin the journey probably north of Botwood.

Montreal Lists Have Been Closed

Amount of Contributions Reported So Far is Eleven Thousand Dollars

Montreal, May 27.—The Newfoundland Society at a meeting, besides reporting that \$11,000 had been received in the city, exclusive of church collections, for which returns had not yet been made, decided to discontinue collections and send all money to Hon. J. R. Bennett, Acting Premier of Newfoundland.

The above sum does not include large subscriptions from the Bank of Montreal, Sir William Macdonald and other donations sent direct.

KITE CHARTERED FOR THE LABRADOR.

The sealing steamer Kite has been chartered by Mr. Job Roberts for a trip to the Labrador with men and supplies.

The steamer is now on dock receiving repairs. She leaves here about Tuesday night.

Aviator Hamel Alive And Safe

Was Rescued From The Channel By a Foreign Fishing Boat

Newcastle, May 27.—Hamel, the British aviator, given up for lost in the English Channel, landed today from a fishing boat at South Shields.

The fishing boat, which saved him, was a foreign vessel which had driven out of her course. This caused delay in giving information as to the rescue of the aviator.

the journey probably north of Botwood.

Makes Route Shorter

Asked why the start would be made from some northern point, Mr. Whittaker replied that it would make the distance shorter than from St. John's. It is desirable to land as many miles as possible of the unique journey.

The exact starting place is not yet known, but Mr. Whittaker, who will remain in Newfoundland until the aviator starts on his perilous trip, will look over the ground and select the most suitable point.

A sandy beach or level field will be necessary for the machine to rise from.

It is hoped to arrange for the aeroplane to leave Newfoundland about Saturday, August 15th, or some time during that week.

Start at Night

The flight will be made at night, as conditions are believed to be better at night than during the day.

It is not yet decided if the machine will pass through St. John's and be transhipped northward by the Prospero or whether it will be conveyed to Botwood by one of the Donaldson boats. It is very likely that Mr. Hamel will pay a short visit here, but if so, it will necessarily be brief.

The machine to be used is a British built monoplane equipped with a 200 horse power engine.

It will carry 350 gallons of gasoline, sufficient to keep it in the air for 24 hours.

Long Aerial Flight

The distance is about 16,000 miles and with a fair wind the aviator hopes to cover 100 miles per hour which would take him to Ireland in 16 hours. If that speed be not attained, he expects to do 80 miles per hour easily, which would give him 20 hours to cross with four hours supply of gasoline left.

The monoplane measures 66 feet from the tip of one wing to the tip of the other, and is now nearing completion.

It is said to be the greatest monoplane ever constructed. Even the smallest and minutest parts of the plane are being made under the personal superintendence of the aviator. The machine is now almost finished.

PERILOUS TRIP TO MAKE ARREST

Will Take Mounted Police Officer Three Years to Bring in Man Accused of Murder.

REGINA, May 25.—Inspector Beytes, of the R.N.W.M.P. force here, has been given three years' commission to go to the northernmost part of Hudson Bay and find the murderers of Radford and Street, two explorers who were believed to have been killed by Eskimos two years ago.

Beytes will go to Chesterfield Inlet, the farthest point north on the Hudson Bay inhabited by white men and from there take three years' supply of provisions and travel thousands of miles through the interior.

The trip will be one of the most dangerous and trying ever undertaken by an officers of the mounted police involving investigations among savage Eskimo tribes, at whose hands the two lost explorers met death.

Crosbie's schr. Waterwitch arrived at Bahia on Monday, after a passage of 31 days.

Machine to be Used Measures Sixty-Six From Tip to Tip of Its Wings.

FLIES, WITH A FAIR WIND, ONE HUNDRED MILES AN HOUR

Under These Conditions Could Make the Trip Across in Less Than Twenty-Four Hours.

WILL TAKE ONE PASSENGER

Who Will Act as Navigator.—Machine Will be Shipped Here During July.

ed and before being shipped to this side of the water will undergo a number of severe tests. It will be sent to Newfoundland in July.

Nothing is being overlooked, as Mr. Hamel is very anxious that the voyage should end successfully, and he does not want to take any chance of losing.

Several large prizes have been offered, which in themselves are worth the risk, and beside there is the honor and glory of the feat which is a greater consideration to the competitors than the monetary end of it.

Take One Passenger.

Mr. Hamel will have one companion as it has been arranged for a navigator to accompany him.

There is also another competitor, John Porte, a retired English naval officer, who will fly in an American built machine.

Mr. Porte is an aviator of renowned ability, and the Americans strongly believe that he will make the journey in the quicker time than Hamel.

Of English Birth.

Gustav Hamel is an Englishman born. His father is a Dane, who became a nationalized Englishman, and his famous son was born in England.

That Newfoundlanders will wish the British aviator every success we are confident. We hope that each competitor will land safely in Ireland, and assure the aviators that when they reach Newfoundland they will receive a right royal welcome from our people generally.

Mr. Whittaker is visiting St. John's for the first time. He is delighted with our harbor, and though he has been very busy since his arrival on Tuesday, he has seen enough of the city to impress him very favorably.

Strathcona Died Worth \$27,000,000

The Heirs Have to Pay the Sum of \$4,000,000 in Succession Duties

London, May 27.—The personal property left by Lord Strathcona was disclosed when probate was granted today.

The precise value of the real estate left by the testator, who died in London, was not made public, but the fact that the succession duties amounted to \$4,000,000, indicate that his entire personal estate had a value of \$27,000,000.

GREEN BAY CLEAR OF ICE

Capt. Job Kne, of the Clyde, wired the following to the Reid Co. yesterday, as follows:

"Clyde made every port of call. All the runs are open; don't expect any further interference with ice this season."

Fogota arrived at Tilting at 5.25 and left at 5.55 a.m.

Sagona left Exploits yesterday at 1 p.m. for St. John's.

MINES SHIPPING FROM THE BANKS

Total Quantity of Coal That Has Been Deposited in the Big Heaps at Sydney is Six Hundred Thousand Tons. Collieries Are Turning Out Over Eighteen Thousand Tons Daily.

Glace Bay, 25.—Shipping from the coal banks at Dominion No. 2 and Sydney has commenced. The shipping from the coal banks this year is much later in season than last due to the unfavorable ice conditions that have existed up to the last few days which caused such a slackness in shipping.

Never before in the history of the Dominion Coal Co. has such an immense heap of coal been deposited as this year, and the total amounts for the past four months will reach in the vicinity of 600,000 tons which is a great increase over any of the previous years in the history of the Dominion Coal Co. since its inauguration. At Dominion No. 2 bank alone is deposited 350,000, while Sydney and the other banks at the several collieries make up the remainder.

The daily output from the collieries is over 18,000 tons. All the mines with the exception of No. 3, which is undergoing some repairs, are working.

ST. ANDREW'S SMOKER

The members of St. Andrew's Club held a most enjoyable smoking concert at their rooms last night.

Fierce Forest Fires in East And West

Great Timber Limits Ablaze in Japan and in British Columbia.

Tokio, Japan, May 22.—Fierce forest fires are raging over an area nearly 100 square miles in extent in Kitami district. Residents are unable to check the fires because of a drought which has dried up the streams. A despatch says that thirteen persons have been burned to death.

New Westminster, B. C., May 22.—The worst forest fire for years is now raging in the vicinity of Coquitlan dam and scores of narrow escapes are reported with many rumors of loss of life. So rapid is the progress of flames that many birds have dropped onto the roadway with feathers singed, and it is feared all the camps will be wiped out. A Japanese camp was completely destroyed.

Fog Interferes With Navigation

Great Deal of Ice Also Hanging Round The St. Lawrence—Unusual Conditions

Montreal, May 27.—There have been few steamers arriving at Montreal during the past two or three days, owing to fog in the vicinity of Cape Race and in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The ice and fog conditions at this season of the year are unprecedented. Captains say that large fields of ice remain closely packed as a result of the severity of last winter, and the few wind storms of this past Spring.

PORTIA SAILS WEST.

Portia, Capt. J. Kean, sailed west at 2 p.m. taking a full freight including 40,000 feet of lumber. The following passengers left by her: Miss Kennedy, Miss Myrick, Miss Fleming, Mr. Young, G. Devereux, Mr. Brett, R. Moore, Master Myrick, J. Jardine, Mrs. Myrick, Mrs. Pike and 40 steerage.

The Portia goes to Bonne Bay this trip, and will also call at Sydney for coal.

Shipping.

Florizel left New York at 11 a.m. yesterday.

Bruce is now due at Basques. She is delayed off that port by fog.

Lintrose left Basques at 1.30 p.m. yesterday. She leaves North Sydney to-night.

Invermore leaves to-night to replace the Lintrose while the latter comes here for overhauling.

IMPORTANT U.S. RULING ABOUT THE FISHERIES

Uncle Sam's Board of Appraisers Defines the Elastic Term "American Fisheries"

GORTON-PEW FISHERIES CO., ENTERED AND WON PROTEST

Against U. S. Custom Duties on Fish Put Up on the Shore in Newfoundland

NEW YORK, May 27.—The term "American Fisheries" has been defined by the Board of United States General Appraisers in sustaining a protest by the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company of Gloucester, Mass. A dispute arose between the fishing company and the Collector of Customs at Boston when the latter official exacted duty at the rate of one-half of one per cent. per pound on fish caught at a place known as the Bay of Islands, off the Coast of Newfoundland, this locality being in the zone of what is known as "treaty waters."

Claimed Free Entry

It was claimed before the board that free entry should be accorded the fish as the product of American fisheries, as provided for in the Tariff Act. The Collector seems to have assessed duty on the ground that all of the fish caught by the crew of the vessel was not cured and packed on the ship, but landed for the purpose at docks and sheds owned by the operating company on the shores of Newfoundland. Eventually the vessel called for the landed part of the catch and entered the entire lot at Boston. In reversing the Collector Judge Waite interprets the fisheries provision of the law as follows:

Judicial Decision

"It was not, in our judgment, the intention of Congress to limit a fishery in its operation to the deck or hull of a vessel. * * * It is conceivable that the operations might be so extensive as to make it impossible either to take, cure or prepare the fish on board the vessel. We therefore are of the opinion that a 'fishery' includes the operation of taking, preparing, curing, and packing fish and making them ready for the market, whether conducted by means of a large boat and small boats independent of the land, or by means of the same connected with the land, where the fish are cleaned, dried, prepared, and packed for the market."

Lady Is Coming To Teach Farming

Will Be Associated With Grenfell's Mission in Attempt to Cultivate Labrador Soil.

London, May 28.—Miss Christina Fellows, a Yarmouth lady, has sailed to Newfoundland as volunteer helper in Dr. Grenfell's mission.

She will teach the fishermen subarctic farming. The idea is to introduce the cultivation of cereals and garden produce in Labrador, so as to combat the ill effects of present diet, which is too much restricted to salt pork, fish and molasses.

Blank Cartridges For Policeman

Suffragette Did Some Shooting and Scorched the Bobbie's Leg.

Epsom, May 27.—Ada Rice, a supposed suffragette, was arrested at Epsom Downs to-day, after she had discharged a pistol, loaded with blank cartridges, at a policeman.

The powder, burning through the policeman's trousers, blistered one leg.

Mrs. W. Marshall and two children leave to-day by the Carthaginian for Halifax.

WEATHER REPORT.

Toronto (noon)—Unsettled and showers. Friday: Fresh West to North winds, clearing.