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START WORK ON BRIDGE SOON

Wardell Asked for Opinion regarding Structure for Second Narrows

North Vancouver, Sept. 15.—The directors of Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Company are evidently leaving no stone unturned to further matters in regard to the commencement of construction on the bridge at Second Narrows at the earliest possible moment. Several meetings of the directors have been held of late, at which matters of importance have been considered.

It is understood upon excellent authority that the board favors the erection of a bridge of the semi-high level type, the floor of which would be fifty feet above high-water mark. It is thought that while some kind of a draw bridge would be necessary in order to clear the instances in which it would be required would be very few, inasmuch as nearly all the vessels which would have occasion to pass the bridge would be able to pass under fifty-five feet.

The exact type of draw span to be adopted is now under consideration. A descent to the water level on the north shore, from a height of fifty feet, would not be in any way a difficult problem. It is reported that Mr. Wardell who designed and superintended the construction of the Fraser river bridge and who has acted in the same capacity with respect to bridges in the city of Vancouver, has been consulted in respect to the type of bridge, etc., and a definite action will probably be taken until the several municipalities subscribing to the cost of the bridge have appointed their representatives on the board.

When the plans are completed it will be necessary to forward them to Ottawa for the approval of the department after which it is the intention to send copies to England and other countries in order that the largest and best companies may have opportunity to submit tenders for the construction of the bridge.

T. DENIS BRINGS BIG SHIPMENT OF SALMON

Vadso Due To-morrow—Both Steamers Leave Vancouver for North Friday

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Two thousand cases of salmon were loaded to-day from the Boscowitz steamer St. Denis, which returned from Sitka, Bella, (fools and way ports at night. Altogether 8,865 cases were brought south, most of which will be shipped to Great Britain on the Holtner Antiochus, sailing from here on October 5th. The St. Denis had an uneventful trip. She brought down 12 saloon and stowage passengers. After loading a big shipment of general freight for northern points the St. Denis will leave here to-morrow, the Vadso, which is due here to-morrow, will also leave to-morrow night, both steamers departing for the north from Vancouver on Friday.

The Chinese are a nation of cooks. There is scarcely an individual in that community who is not more or less competent to cook himself a respectable dinner.

LIQUOR AND TOBACCO HABITS

A. McTAGGART, M.D., C.M., 75 Yonge St., Toronto, Canada. References as to Dr. McTaggart's professional standing and personal integrity permitted by: Sir W. R. Meredith, Chief Justice, Hon. G. W. Ross, ex-Premier of Ontario, Hon. N. Burwash, D.D., President Victoria College, Toronto. Right Rev. J. F. Sweaty, Bishop of Toronto. Dr. McTaggart's vegetable remedies for liquor and tobacco habits are healthful, safe, inexpensive treatments. No hypodermic injections, no publicity, no loss of time from business, and a certain cure. Consultation or correspondence invited.

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ADmits SHE KILLED FATHER AND BROTHER

Fractures Skulls of Victims With Axe After They Had Beaten Her

(Times Leased Wire.) Newkirk, Okla., Sept. 19.—Possessing the man who was reported to have attacked little Abby Alice Shepherd, 13, and her brother, J. W. Shepherd to death, were called in to-day when the little girl, tearful and hysterical, confessed that she had killed them. According to the confession, the little girl sobbed out to-day the fantastic story she told of assault and murder was fabricated to cover her own terrible deed, when, angered because they had beaten her, she stole up behind her father and beat him to death with an axe, and then fearing that her brother would discover the deed and tell of it, she killed him also.

The screams of the little girl brought people to the scene of the attack. They found her unconscious, her father bleeding and semi-conscious was lying near her and her brother was found not far away. The father regained consciousness and the few words he managed to speak confirmed the belief that a man had attacked his daughter and then had beaten her.

Those who heard the few words that Shepherd uttered believe to-day that he did not know who struck him, and they think the first blow probably rendered him unconscious, and that the blows that were rained on his head afterward he knew nothing of.

For hours the girl lay unconscious, and then when she regained her senses she told of an attack that had been made on her. When she related her story there were some discrepancies, and she was closely questioned. Under the cross-examination she broke down and told the story of her attack on her father and brother. She said that they had beaten her severely. She is hysterical to-day and under the care of a physician.

Both father and brother lay for several days after they had been struck by the little girl. J. W. Shepherd never regained consciousness. Both suffered fractures of the skull.

TYPHOID FEVER

BRANDON, Sept. 19.—Typhoid fever appears to be on the increase in this district. The percentage of deaths, however, is smaller than usual owing to better facilities for taking care of patients.

MAYOR GAYNOR MAY RUN FOR GOVERNOR

Will Probably Accept the Democratic Nomination for State of New York

(Times Leased Wire.) New York, Sept. 19.—That Mayor W. J. Gaynor, now recovering from the effects of a shot fired at him on the deck of the liner Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, will accept the gubernatorial nomination if it is presented to him at the coming Democratic state convention is the belief of politicians here based on letters that Gaynor has written to his political friends.

"I must carefully consider the matter in the near future," wrote Gaynor to the secretary of the coming Saratoga convention. "I must inform myself and act not from my own desires, but wholly as to what is right and best for others," said the mayor in a letter addressed to the president of a political club in Buffalo.

Mayor Gaynor to-day, seen by a representative of the United Press, declined to say whether he expected to decline the nomination if it is given him. He preferred, he said, not to discuss such a probability at all. With the probability that Gaynor will head the New York Democratic ticket, it is predicted that one of the hardest fights in New York for years will take place at the coming elections. It is conceded that Gaynor is very strong, and that his forced absence from public life the past few months will tend to strengthen rather than weaken him in the eyes of the public.

COBALT SHIPMENTS

(Special to the Times.) Cobalt, Ont., Sept. 17.—Shipments of ore from Cobalt camp last week amounted to 915,223 pounds, or 54 1/2 tons, divided among nine mines. Larose was the big shipper, with 250,000 pounds, second and Contagas third. Shipments from January last now total 45,392,421 pounds, or 28,361 tons.

PROPOSED STRIKE FUND

Montreal, Sept. 19.—The question of raising a strike fund was under discussion at Saturday's session of the resolution committee recommended that the per capita tax be increased from five to ten cents per month, all money to be placed in the general fund to be used in the general work of organization. Several delegates spoke strongly against the proposition.

TRY TO FLY OVER THE ALPS

TWO AVIATORS START ON PERILOUS FLIGHT

Birdmen Confident They Will Be Able to Reach Milan From Brieg, Switzerland

(Times Leased Wire.) Brieg, Switzerland, Sept. 19.—In spite of a gale and against pleas and advice of their friends, Aviators George Chavez and M. Weyman started to-day on their dare devil attempt to cross the Alps from Brieg to Milan—the most hazardous task ever set for airmen. While six other aviators who had announced their intention of competing for the prize that has been offered, looked on, the two daring birdmen ascended early, only to be driven back by a fierce gale that was blowing at an altitude of about 1,000 feet. Later they made an ascent, a few minutes apart, found that the gale had subsided and began the hazardous flight across the mountains.

Simpson pass, with an altitude of 6,700 feet, lies directly in the course set for the birdmen. Both Chavez and Weyman soared back and forth until they had reached about 7,000 feet, when almost simultaneously they started on their perilous flight.

Yawning gaps and precipitous cliffs mark the first twenty-seven miles of their flight and to descend at any point during this stage would mean instant death. It is the fear of having to alight soon after starting that caused the other aviators to postpone their flights.

Chavez drove his monoplane—the same trusty little machine with which he recently soared to an altitude of 8,732 feet at Issy. He expressed his confidence in the success of his trip and the fact that failure meant almost certain death did not dampen his spirits. Weyman was even more confident than Chavez.

Elaborate preparations have been made for the event and early to-day each hamlet along the line to be traversed was the scene of a gathering that earnestly looked Brieg-ward for the first sight of the approaching airships.

ESTIMATE OF THE WORLD WHEAT CROP

Monthly Report is Issued by the International Institute of Agriculture

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Sept. 19.—A cablegram received from the International Institute of Agriculture gives the yield of wheat crop, estimated September 1st, as follows: Italy, 165,346,655 bushels, compared with 184,956,913 reported last month and 125,363,285 last year.

Roumania, 108,873,211 bushels, compared with 107,886,633 reported last month and 98,948,945 last year. Hungary, 198,322,118 bushels, compared with 189,352,235 reported last month and 125,363,285 last year.

Russia, 917,833,489 bushels, compared with 184,208,650 last year. Prussia, 87,799,050 bushels, compared with 138,000,049 in all Germany last year.

CHICAGO'S POPULATION

Washington, D. C., Sept. 19.—The population of Chicago is 2,185,282, an increase of 48,908, or 2 1/2 per cent, as compared with 1,686,375 in 1900. This announcement leaves Chicago ranking in population as the second city of the United States and the fourth in the world. Chicago has almost doubled its population since 1890, when the figures were 1,099,850.

GOVERNOR ON TRIAL

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 19.—To stand trial on a charge of criminal libel, Governor Beryl F. Carroll, of Iowa, appeared in court to-day. The charge was brought by John Cowley, formerly a member of the board of control. An indictment followed the trouble which occurred in connection with the conduct of the girls' reformatory. Carroll censured Cowley for the conditions that existed.



UNCLE SAM NOW COMES A-KNOCKING AT THE DOOR.

IN FAVOR OF BIG PACIFIC FLEET

"FIGHTING BOB" EVANS INTERVIEWED AT SEATTLE

Is Warm Supporter of Proposal to Build Large Number of Battleships

(Times Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Sept. 19.—"Fighting Bob" Evans is in Seattle today and declares that he is a warm supporter of the plan for a big fleet of battleships for the Pacific.

As to the expense of a large fleet, the admiral declares that an insurance alone it would pay the government. "It has been figured," said he, "that the cost of a fleet of 100 battleships would not exceed one-tenth of 1 per cent. of the property within reach of 12-inch guns on the Atlantic coast."

As a proof of the insurance value of battleships he pointed out that at the beginning of the Spanish-American war, property along the Atlantic coast depreciated in value and houses exposed to the sea could not be rented at any price.

Taking up the protection afforded along the Pacific coast defenses and forts, the admiral characterized a fort as a sign for a hostile fleet to steer clear of. He said that a fort was only useful to the country within reach of its guns.

Even after the Panama canal is completed, the admiral contends, the United States should still keep a permanent fleet on the Pacific coast. He insists that the hazard of ships passing through the canal during a war would be too great to risk the entire fleet on the Atlantic coast.

EMERGENCY BRAKES FAILED TO WORK

Coroner's Jury Returns Verdict After Investigating Fatality Near Hitchcock, Sask.

(Special to the Times.) Hitchcock, Sask., Sept. 19.—Several witnesses at the inquest of Herbert Brown who was killed by a C. P. R. work train on Friday stated that they heard no whistle of the engine for the crossing or the ringing of a bell while passing through the yard. The trainmen swore that the proper signals were given. The jury, after a short deliberation, brought in a verdict that the accident was caused by the failure of the emergency brakes to properly check the train, and that a high fence near the crossing was a contributory cause in that it obstructed the view.

SUICIDE WHILE ON TRIAL

Donohon, Mo., Sept. 19.—Thomas N. Kennon, who was on trial on the charge of murder, left the court room Saturday and killed himself in his room in a hotel. He left a note which read: "Swearing lies has ruined me. Good bye to all my friends." He pleaded self-defence in the killing of a neighbor during a quarrel.

SHIP WRECKED; THIRTEEN MISSING

Melbourne, Sept. 18.—The British ship Carnarvon Bay, from Liverpool June 15 for Sydney, has been wrecked on King's Island.

The captain and 17 men have been picked up, but a second boat with 13 men aboard is missing.

ADMIRALTY CHANGES PLANS OF CRUISERS

Suggests That Canadian Government Delay Work on Vessels for the Navy

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Sept. 19.—Builders who have asked for permission to tender for the construction of vessels for the Canadian navy have not yet had an opportunity of inspecting the plans. This is due to the fact that the Admiralty is making important changes in both the Bristol cruisers and the improved river type of destroyers and has suggested that Canada would do well to wait until these changes are completed before commencing construction.

THRASHING WHEAT

(Special to the Times.) Brandon, Sept. 19.—Great progress has been made in the work of thrashing last week and returns are much more satisfactory than expected previously. The crop is easy to handle and there are plenty of threshing outfits. The only difficulty is the lack of harvesters.

RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR DEAD

Paris, Sept. 19.—Alexander Ivanovich De Nidloff, Russian ambassador to France and president of the second Hague conference, died Saturday night. Mr. Nidloff was stricken with apoplexy while passing through Munich on August 8th. He was born in St. Petersburg in 1836. He was one of the signers of the treaty of St. Stefano, which ended the Russian-Turkish war. He was appointed ambassador to France in 1902, and was president of the second Hague Peace conference in 1907.

TWO SHOT AS RESULT OF FEUD AT SEATTLE

One Dead and Another Fatally Wounded—One Man Held by the Police

(Times Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Sept. 19.—Joseph Rossa is held to-day to answer a charge of murder following the culmination of a vendetta feud last night, when Joe Bocarto was shot dead and Casland Bese was mortally wounded.

The two men were shot by Joe and Vincento Rossa, brothers, the police say, after they had refused to engage in a pistol duel to determine who were the "best men." The Rossa brothers have been bitter enemies of the victims of the shooting for a long time, it is alleged. After the shooting Joseph Rossa was arrested in a nearby saloon but his brother escaped.

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Mine Owners May Order Lock-Out of Twenty Thousand Employees

(Times Leased Wire.) Cardiff, Wales, Sept. 19.—Twelve thousand miners from the Cambrian collieries trust struck to-day. This temporarily closes all the mines supplying coal to the British navy. The strikers in walking out violated the orders of the leaders of the unions. The federation of mine owners is considering locking out 200,000 men as a result of the trouble.

If this action is taken by the mine owners, one of the most serious labor disputes of recent years in England may begin. The action of the men in quitting in spite of the efforts of the heads of their organization, to keep them at work, gives the operators a chance to make a winning fight against the unions, it is believed, and anti-union sentiment which has been crystallizing among the mine owners may show itself in a general lockout order of contracts.

The labor situation throughout England is regarded somewhat critical, and the strike has caused wide comment and is receiving close attention from all parts of England.

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A large number of local improvement by-laws will be put through their final stages, and the streets committee will report recommending that the advice of the city solicitor be accepted in respect to the widening of Fort street. The solicitor, it will be recalled, advised that in view of a legal difficulty which has cropped up in connection with the widening scheme it would be better if the courts were asked to decide a point which will be submitted in a friendly suit instituted by the owners interested. On the council giving its consent to this procedure the case will be brought on at once, as the desire is to enter into the project should be taken in hand and pushed to completion with the least possible delay.

FATALITY ON CROSSING

Electric Train Strikes Buggy—One Woman Killed and Two Others Injured.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 19.—Mrs. Frank X. Leifer is dead; Mrs. Stephen Kaidan, wife of a Southern Pacific employe, was thrown to her dying end; Mrs. William Sateau is seriously and perhaps fatally injured as the result of an accident at the crossing at Boyers on the Los Angeles-Pacific electric line to Venice.

The three women were driving across the tracks in a buggy when they were struck by a three car Beach express. The buggy was demolished and the three occupants were hurled many feet. The husbands of the women, who were walking ahead of the buggy a short distance, saw the accident. The accused Mrs. Leifer was hidden at the crossing by a clump of trees.

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