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MILITARY REGIME IN MEXICO PENDING ADVENT OF ELECTIONS PUBLIC CONFIDENCE RETURNING

Assassinations Have Inspired Comparatively Little Apparent Feeling of Hostility Towards New Rulers and Government is Getting a Tighter Grip on Reins—Bodies Removed From Penitentiary.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 24.—(Canadian Press.)—Confidence in the new administration is growing in the capital, conservative Mexicans and foreigners alike regarding what appears to be a probable military regime as the solution of the present difficulty.

It is likely that there are a few chapters of that tragedy still to be written. The bodies have been removed from the penitentiary, pending the transference of Madero's to the family home at San Pedro de Los Pinos, in the State of Coahuila, and that of Suarez to Yucatan, permission having already been granted.

One afternoon paper in Mexico City denies the stories of the attack on the Madero guard, alleging that the affair was carried out in accordance with prearranged plans. But the Mexican Government appears honest in its endeavor to place the facts before the world by means of a judicial investigation.

Already the political world is turning to the elections. It is said that Gen. Felix Diaz will have as his opponents in his candidacy for the presidency, Francisco de la Barra, the present minister of foreign affairs; Rodolfo Reyes, son of Gen. Bernardo Reyes, who was killed in the first attack on the palace; and Dr. Francisco Vasquez Gomez. Friends have begun a campaign in behalf of these various candidates.

The holding of the elections will depend upon the state of the country, but President Huerta insists upon a free choice of the people when peace is restored, which will make this possible.

Scattered Disorders. Reports are not altogether reassuring from the States of Coahuila, Nuevo Leon and San Luis Potosi, where rebels are committing depredations. The Zapatistas in the south are also giving trouble, and it is reported that one town in the State of Puebla has been sacked.

This, however, is characterized by the government as the work of a small and insignificant portion of the rebel army in the south, and is due, perhaps, to ignorance of the developments in the capital.

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War on Suffragettes.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—(Can. Press.)—John Burns, president of the local government board, who has just begun a speech-making campaign in behalf of the progressive candidates for the London County Council, has declared war against the militant suffragettes.

"In the course of the next ten days," he announced to-night, addressing a meeting from which several suffragette disturbers were summarily ejected, "I am going to do my best to break down this tyranny of organized black-guardism. It is in the interests of the people and democracy that this despotism that has desecrated the cause of women and put back their movement many years be terminated at once."

ARMY READY TO OBEY ORDERS OF WILSON

Taft Busy Redeeming Pledge to Have Ten Thousand Men Mobilized at Galveston, Tex.—New President Will Have to Decide Further Disposition of Forces.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—(Can. Press.)—Military orders flew thick and fast today in redemption of President Taft's promise to have an army of 10,000 men assembled at Galveston, the most convenient port to Mexico, all equipped for foreign service and ready to execute any order that his successor might choose to issue upon the basis of the conditions that will exist after March 4.

These orders on the whole were supplementary to those which began to flow from the war department towards the end of last week, and calculated to insure the assembling of the second division of the reorganized army at or in the neighborhood of Galveston. The completion of the orders to move the entire second division is intended as further warning to Mexico that there will be no departure from the established policy of preparedness during the remaining week of President Taft's administration.

Attention to detail. All the plans for the possible sending of troops into Mexico will continue with the same minuteness of detail which would characterize official orders had the present acute condition arisen in Mexico at any time earlier in the strife which has rent that republic since the first uprising against Porfirio Diaz, more than two years ago. This course is justified on the ground that any cessation in the closing days or even hours of the Taft administration might be seized hold of by Mexican malcontents as an opportunity for a strike at Americans, which could not be adequately overcome should officials here relax their vigilance.

CONTROLLERS RESPONSIBLE

Cabinet System of Civic Government Adopted at Two o'Clock Today After Long Debate.

At 2 o'clock this morning, by a vote of 13 to 6, the city council decided to make each controller responsible for one branch of the city government. The vote was as follows, and was taken on Controller Church's amendment back to the board of control, which was defeated, and the board's recommendation carried.

For the Church amendment: Controllers Church, Foster and O'Neill, Ald. McBrien, Meredith and Rowland. Against: Mayor Hooken, Controller McCarthy, Ald. Spence, McBride, Anderson, May, Wanless, Robbins, Hubbard, Burgess, Ryding, Walton and Wickett.

The original recommendation was then carried on the same vote. There was an hour's discussion. Controllers Church and Foster very strongly opposed the recommendation. Controller O'Neill said that it was true that the recommendation was being brought down. He was against the proposal, but wanted to get an opinion from council.

This means that the cabinet system will be adopted and the mayor and controllers will be responsible for the following departments: Mayor Hooken, department of public affairs, civil service commission, corporation council, board of education, libraries and city clerk; Controller Church, finance and accounts, treasurer, auditor, assessment department; McCarthy, public safety, social service commission, fire and health departments; Foster, department of public works, engineer, bridges, water, sewers, traffic commission; O'Neill, parks, public buildings, markets, hydro-electric commission.

Canada's Dreadnoughts.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—(C.A.P.)—It now seems clear that the forthcoming naval estimates will provide for five large armored ships of combined battleship and cruiser type, mounting eight guns heavier than 13-inch pattern. The Canadian ships, when the money is voted for them, will almost certainly belong to this class, which is intended to fulfil the requirements of imperial patrol in speed and strategical mobility.

MRS. KINGSFORD DIED AT OTTAWA

Mother of Police Magistrate Was Daughter of Clerk of First Parliament of Canada.

Mrs. Mary Margaret Kingsford, mother of Police Magistrate R. E. Kingsford, of Toronto, died in Ottawa yesterday at the age of ninety-two years. She was the widow of the late Dr. W. Kingsford, historian, and author of Kingsford's History of Canada. Mrs. Kingsford had been very feeble for a number of years.

She was born in Quebec City. Her father was clerk in the first parliament of the United Provinces in 1841. Magistrate Kingsford left Toronto yesterday to attend the funeral.

JACK JOHNSON REPORTED DEAD

Negro Pugilist Has Been Ill With Pneumonia and Rumor is That it Proved Fatal.

CHICAGO, Ill., Tuesday, Feb. 25.—At 2.30 this morning it is rumored that Jack Johnson the negro pugilist, who has been ill with pneumonia for the past several weeks, is dead. The rumor at this hour cannot be confirmed.

SNOW DELAYS WARFARE. SOFIA, Feb. 24.—(Can. Press.)—A heavy snow which has fallen along the whole of the Bulgarian lines at the front will prevent military operations for some days.

TO CLEAR AIR IN GIBRALTAR

Governor Hunter's Recent String of Accusations Will Be Dealt With by Home Authorities.

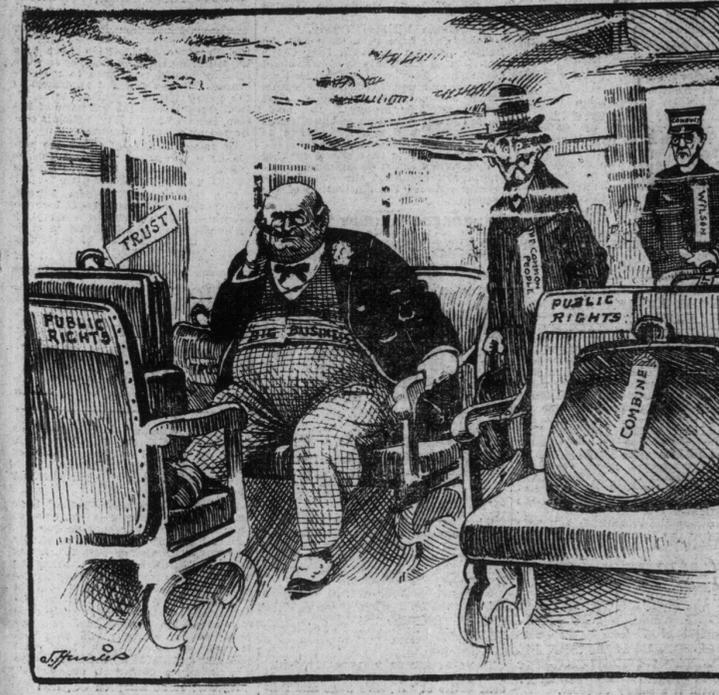
LONDON, Feb. 24.—(C.A.P.)—Lewis Harcourt, colonial secretary, has been informed that a deputation of leading merchants of Gibraltar will sail for England immediately, in order to acquaint him of the feeling of anxiety that prevails there over the statements of Governor Sir Archibald Hunter. Memorials also have been signed by the Gibraltar jurors, chambers of commerce, and stock exchange.

Among other things, the governor claimed in his recent speech that he knew Gibraltar far better than anyone else, that the chamber of commerce thought of nobody but themselves, that Gibraltar jurors were notoriously unjust, that he might soon have established a press censorship, that Gibraltarians speak English worse than Egyptian donkey boys, and that the town is like the Augean stables, adding: "I determined to exact order and decency here from everybody who comes into the fortress I command."

Colonial Secretary Sir Frederick Evans left unexpectedly today for England. It is believed he has been summoned to the colonial office at London.

Is it to Be a Cut-throat Game? An unconfirmed despatch says that W. J. Bryan has declined to enter the Wilson cabinet. Another one says that Theodore Roosevelt is to be in it. The first may be true; the second is not. Will it, then, be a three-man game of cut-throat eulchre: Wilson, Bryan, Roosevelt, all playing lone hands, or any two against the other for the next term, and each and every one of them asserting that he is the real Progressive? That may be it.

WILL THE NEW CONDUCTOR INTERFERE?



Workmen's Compensation

There is a probability that the long-awaited Workmen's Compensation Act will not be introduced into the legislature this session. Sir William Meredith, who was appointed commissioner to collect information with a view to drafting an act, is still engaged in his present task. Sir W. Rowell asked the premier yesterday when the act may be expected to be introduced. Sir W. Meredith is still working on it. Even if it does not come until June, there will be no hurrying its consideration by the members.

SULZER URGES CLOSER TRADE

Premier Borden Hears Plea for Reciprocity at University Club Dinner in Albany.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 24.—(Can. Press.)—The close ties of friendship existing between the U. S. and Canada were dwelt upon in addresses to-night by Premier Robert L. Borden of Canada and Gov. Sulzer, at the annual dinner of the University Club of Albany.

"Canada and the United States," said Premier Borden, "have a common heritage in the language, the literature, the laws, the institutions and the traditions which have come down to them from the men of bygone days. Perhaps no more instructive object lesson has ever been given to the world than the 4600 miles of undefended boundary line, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, which bears silent but eloquent testimony to the mutual confidence and respect of the two nations. Time will shortly place upon the brow of each nation the laurel of 100 years of peace."

Referring to the natural resources of the United States and Canada along the St. Lawrence River, the premier urged that they be "preserved and developed for the people."

Would Open Doors. Gov. Sulzer predicted that the "great Canadian Northwest is destined to become ere long the granary of North America. Many of our best citizens, I regret to say," said the governor, "are leaving our states of the west and going into the Canadian Northwest because of the fertility of its soil, the liberty of the Canadian Government and the ability of these people to better their conditions there."

"We should extend to them a helping hand in their onward march of progress. Instead of closing our doors by tariff barriers against these countries and their products, in my opinion, we should open them wider and do everything in our power to facilitate closer commercial relations. We want their products and they want our products, and all restrictions to prevent a fairer and freer exchange of goods, wares, and merchandise, should, insofar as possible, be eliminated."

SKYSCRAPERS GO AT KING-YONGE

City Council Decided at One o'Clock This Morning to Allow Two New Buildings.

The vote of the city council on the question of the limitation in the height of skyscrapers was taken at 1 o'clock this morning after an hour's discussion. The result of the vote is regarded as a victory for the high sky-line supporters. Ald. Anderson's amendment called for a limit of 120 feet, or ten stories. It was defeated by a vote of 12 to 7, the division being as follows:

Nays, 12—Controllers O'Neill and Church, Ald. Spence, Robbins, Hubbard, Burgess, Walton, McBride, Rowland, Meredith, McBrien, Ryding. Yeas, Mayor Hooken, Controllers Foster and Church, Ald. May, Wanless, Wickett, Burgess.

The report of the property committee, recommending that the application of the Guardian Realty Co. for permission to erect a new 20-story building, 235 feet in height, at the northeast corner of King and Yonge streets, be granted, was adopted by a vote of 11 to 7. The application of the Dominion Bank, asking for permission to erect a new ten-story building, 120 feet in height, at the southwest corner of Yonge and King streets was also adopted with little comment being passed and no opposition being advanced.

GUILBAULT TO FORCE VOTE ON NAVAL PLEBISCITE PROPOSAL OPPOSED TO GENERAL ELECTION

More Immigrants.

The Toronto Union Station was a busy place yesterday afternoon by reason of the presence of nearly five hundred new arrivals from the British Isles, who were waiting to be distributed to various points throughout the province and the west. Quite a number located here in Toronto. They arrived here by special trains of the Grand Trunk Railway from Halifax, N.S., and Portland, Me.

PROF. H. WILSON DIED ON SUNDAY

Widely Known Canadian Scholar Held an Important Position at Johns Hopkins University.

News has been received in Toronto of the death in Pittsburg, Pa., on Sunday, of the widely-known Canadian scholar, Professor Harry Langford Wilson, Ph.D., professor of Roman archeology at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Dr. Wilson was a Canadian, who, although only in his 46th year, had won very considerable distinction among classical scholars in America and Europe. Son of the late Rev. Robert Wilson, a pioneer Methodist minister in Canada, he graduated from Queen's University, Kingston, as medalist in classics, and after a few years spent teaching in Ontario high schools he entered postgraduate studies at Johns Hopkins University. He received from that university the degree of doctor of philosophy in 1896. His connection with this institution had been continuous up to the time of his death.

Prof. Wilson had been also professor of Latin in the American School of Classical Studies at Rome, Italy, and took a prominent part in the Archaeological Institute of America, of which he was elected president at a recent meeting, held at Washington, D.C. He also was prominent in connection with the establishment in Canada of the department of Canada of the Archaeological Institute of America, and has delivered lectures on the subject in Toronto on several occasions during the past few years.

He is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Clark of Smith's Falls, Ont., and a daughter, who has spent several years as an under-graduate at Queen's University, and a brother in Toronto.

FALL IN HOUSE MAY BE FATAL

Charles Dowling Was Making Repairs in Rosedale Residence When He Lost His Footing.

Losing his balance while working in the attic of a house at 8 Beaumont road, late yesterday afternoon, Charles Dowling fell thru the opening left for the staircase to the first floor. He was so badly injured that the doctors hold out little hope for his recovery.

Some time ago a fire partly destroyed the residence of Charles Wilson, and Dowling was engaged in making repairs. Owing to the darkened condition of the attic, he evidently failed to notice the aperture. He fell, sustaining fractures on both arms and injuries to his back and head.

CITY DECIDES TO FIGHT ORDER

After a strong appeal by Controller Church, in the city council, yesterday, it was decided that the city should fight the decision of the Ontario Rail Board, regarding the Yonge street crossing at the C.P.R. crossing. An appeal will be made to the governor-in-council at Ottawa. Strong criticism was made against the action of Corporation Counsel Geary, in not recommending any particular course for the city to follow, and it was even suggested that other legal advice be secured.

Nationalist Member Announces Intention to Divide House on His Amendment on Turritt's Motion—Strong Opposition to Proposed Incorporation of Doctors and Accountants is Shown.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—(Special.)—The outstanding incident in the house today was the amendment to the Turritt amendment on the naval bill, which was moved by Mr. Guilbault, the Nationalist member from Joliette. This new amendment calls for a plebiscite on the naval question, while the Turritt amendment asks for redistribution and a general election. Mr. Guilbault declared that if a general election was held the naval question would become confused with other issues.

When the house opened this afternoon, contrary to general expectation, it took up the consideration of several private bills instead of at once continuing the debate on the navy. Only two of these bills, however, were discussed at any length.

Accountants' Bill Opposed. The first was the bill incorporating the Canadian Accountants' Association, and after some discussion it was allowed to stand for further consideration.

Hon. Mr. Emmerson strongly opposed the bill on the ground that it dealt with a purely provincial matter. He also thought that it might interfere with organizations of similar nature.

Hon. Mr. Lemieux also took exception to it. He claimed that the association should not be given the power to set examinations and pass upon the fitness and usefulness of candidates for the position of chartered accountants.

Hon. Mr. Doherty, minister of justice; Hon. Mr. Murphy, and Hon. Mr. Penley also took part in the discussion.

Medical Protective Association. The house then considered the bill incorporating the Canadian Medical Protective Association.

Dr. Chabot (Ottawa), who was sponsor for the bill, explained that the object of the society was to protect the medical profession from unjust prosecution for malpractice, and the like. The society, he declared, had no intention of trying to oust the osteopaths, homeopaths or Christian Scientists from practicing.

Hon. Mr. Emmerson expressed himself as opposed to the bill. He considered it the most iniquitous legislation ever laid before the house.

Hon. Mr. Lemieux and Hon. Jacques Bureau moved the main amendments to the bill. These and a number of minor changes were agreed to, and the bill was finally reported.

To Incorporate Accountants. In discussing the bill to incorporate the Canadian Accountants' Association, the minister of justice said that this association would not interfere with similar provincial organizations or with provincial legislation respecting chartered accountants. It was distinctly stated in the bill that it would not override any similar legislation. Becoming a member of the association would not give a man the right to call himself a chartered accountant, Mr. Doherty declared. The only advantage of belonging to it was the standing it would give to its members.

Mr. Emmerson pointed out that the association intended to hold examinations and pass upon the merits of men applying for the right to practice chartered accountancy. He doubted the statement that the association would not interfere with similar organizations. He thought that if it intended to hold examinations and decide upon the fitness of candidates for the title of chartered accountants, it would come under an educational head and therefore should seek provincial legislation rather than federal.

Not Provincial Matter. Hon. Mr. Doherty replied that, inasmuch as its members would not be "Rebecca" has Improved Greatly. Good as "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm" was when the popular play was here last season, it is even better now. The reputation given the little star, Edith Talleferro, and the excellent company at the opening performance last night at the Princess was most enthusiastic.

Ladies' Furs at Dineen's. The cold weather makes furs a necessity, still the price remains the same. Shortly after the holiday season was over, Dineen's reduced the price of all furs, and these remain at the same low figures that made Dineen's garments attractive to purchasers in the mild weather that set in after Christmas. Every fur garment, set and neckpiece is reduced. A wide variety to select from. W. and D. Dineen Company, Limited, 140 Yonge street, corner Temperance.