

THIRTY-EIGHT DEGREES CONFERRED AT U. N. B.

Encoenia Exercises at the University Attended by a Large Number.

Portrait of Late Pres. Jack Unveiled

Honorary LL.D. Degrees Conferred on Sir Frederic Barker, Judges Barry, Grimmer and Crocket and Dr. H. S. Bridges.

Frederick, May 14.—Thirty-eight degrees in all were conferred at the Encoenia at the University of New Brunswick this afternoon.

Included in the list were seven honorary degrees, two higher degrees and the usual graduation degrees for the class of twenty-nine members.

Sir Frederic Barker, retired chief justice of New Brunswick, and Mr. Justice Barry, Mr. Justice Crocket and Mr. Justice Grimmer of the Supreme Court, and Dr. H. S. Bridges, of St. John, were given the honorary degrees of LL.D. Honorary degrees of M. A. to Miss Mary K. Tibbits, of Boston, in forestry and M. Sc. to Col. T. G. Loggie, of this city, were also conferred.

Neither Sir Frederic Barker, Mr. Justice Grimmer nor Miss Tibbits were present at the proceedings, and their degrees were conferred in absentia.

The Jack Portrait Presented. His Honor Lieutenant Governor Wood presided over the proceedings, which took place in the Library in the Arts Building, and members of the Senate, officers of the Alumni and a number of prominent persons were seated upon the platform with His Honor and Chancellor Jones, who acted as assistant chairman.

Two New Prizes Presented. The programme, however, passed along without a hitch and the addresses, which annually feature the proceedings, were declared to be well up to the high standard which has been set in the past.

A Double Prize Winner. Mr. Emerson C. Rice, of Wickham, Queens County, the winner of the Douglas gold medal, read a portion of his essay entitled "The Undeveloped Resources of New Brunswick," after which Lieutenant Governor Wood presented him with the medal and announced the subject of the essay for next year to be Canadian National Ideas.

Dr. H. V. B. Bridges, the secretary-treasurer, announced that the Alumni gold medal for the best translation of a selected prose passage from English into Latin had been won by Mr. Baird.

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLAR FIRE IN PRINCE ALBERT

Half of Large Business Block Wiped Out Yesterday—Only Partially Covered By Insurance.

Prince Rupert, B. C., May 14.—A fire which destroyed one half of Stewart's business section, started from an unknown cause in the Northern Hotel in Fifth street at 2 o'clock this morning.

Key West, Fla., May 14.—The three peace commissioners appointed by President Huerta of Mexico to represent his government at the mediation conference on the Mexican situation to be held at Niagara Falls, Canada, arrived here tonight from Havana.

NEW PROPOSALS FOR ULSTER

Give Second Option After Six Years Expire, or Group Six Principal Counties in Taking Vote.

London, May 15.—Admitting that the low Ministerial majority yesterday had nothing to do with the convictions of the Liberal party, the Morning Post regards the incident as showing that the Unionists are trying with all their might to defeat the government and the disastrous measure which it is trying to force upon the country.

Two new proposals are now being put forward by the ministers privately in regard to Ulster concessions, the first being to give Ulster, after the expiration of the six years' limit, a fresh option to decide whether or not they will come under the Dublin parliament short of which civil war is inevitable.

of this city. Mr. Baird read a portion of his work and the medal was presented by Mr. John T. Jennings, of this city, the newly elected president of the Alumni Society. Dr. H. S. Bridges, of St. John, presented the Brydone Jack scholarship to Miss Marguerite Adams, of Hampton, this being for third year physics.

ROAD FOREMAN MURDERED. Vancouver, B. C., May 14.—Richard Hargraves, provincial road foreman for the last twelve years, was shot and killed this morning at Oyster River. Robert Suttie, a member of Hargraves' gang for the past seven years, is under arrest.

REBELS' VICTORY MAY GET THEM INTO TROUBLE WITH THE FOREIGN POWERS

Foreign Governments Pressing Demands for Compensation for Losses.

BENTON CASE LOOMS LARGE ON HORIZON

Great Britain Will Exact Adequate Reparation as Soon as the Responsibility Can Be Fixed.

Washington, May 14.—Tampico's fall, considerably enlarging the constitutionalists' sphere of control and giving to them a seaport through which munitions of war may be directly imported, injected into the Mexican situation today several new phases to occupy the attention of official Washington.

Secretary Bryan was giving much attention to the status of the foreign oil operations in the country surrounding Tampico. The British ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring Rice, and Mr. Van Rappard, the Netherlands minister, after a long conference at the state department, left expressing their satisfaction at the outcome of the meeting.

Another phase of the situation that attracted much attention was the embarrassment which success brings to the Constitutionalists in the form of demands for compensation for losses to foreigners within their sphere of influence, which foreign governments are pressing with increasing force.

The Spanish ambassador called at the state department to see what could be done for 800 Spaniards ejected by the Constitutionalists from Torreon. He also has in the present for \$20,000,000 worth of Spanish owned cotton, alleged to have been confiscated by the Constitutionalists at Torreon.

United States warships are again at Tampico. Rear Admiral Badger called the navy department late today that Rear Admiral Mayo with the Des Moines and Dolphin steamed up the Panuco river from the outer harbor at eleven a. m. and anchored in front of the town.

MR. GUTELIUS IN ACCIDENT

Sustained Painful Injuries While Boarding Street Car—Will Be in Hospital Several Days.

Montreal, May 14.—Mr. F. P. Gutelius, general manager of government railways, was hurt tonight, falling from a street car whilst on his way to the station to catch the 7:30 P. M. C. Ocean Limited.

FIVE YEARS AND TWENTY LASHES FOR HOLD-UP

Kenora, Ont., May 14.—Three young men charged with hold-up and robbery some two weeks ago at a residence in the east end of the town, were today given the following sentences: Bert C. Halmer, five years and twenty lashes; Reginald Smith, five years; and Arthur Stranger, five years.

Debate on the C. N. R. Agreement Continued

R. B. Bennett Speaks Against Arrangement—Third Reading of Bills to Amend the Canada Temperance and the Irrigation Acts—Saturday Sessions Begin Tomorrow.

Ottawa, Ont., May 14.—History has been repeating itself at Ottawa. A few years ago Henri Bourassa and Armand Lavergne showed opposition to the Liberal government's attitude on certain questions, today W. F. Nickle and R. B. Bennett are in opposition to the Conservative government's attitude regarding the C. N. R. Just as Mr. Bourassa was a disappointed man because he failed to get a portfolio, so is Mr. Bennett, say those who know him best.

Mr. Bennett's personal attack upon one who received the appointment of solicitor general which he himself had expected lost to him, the sympathy of the majority of the house, and certainly of the whole Conservative party.

Mr. Nickle showed much spleen yesterday against Sir Wm. Mackenzie personally so the position of these two men who have broken loose from the Conservative party is for the most part simply personal prejudice.

Residence for Girls At King's College

President Powell Announces That Board of Governors Decide to Build.

CONVOCATION MOST SUCCESSFUL IN YEARS

Large Number of Visitors Attend Exercises—J. H. Plummer Endows Chair—Alumni Orator Delivered by Rev. Dr. Taylor.

Windsor, N. S., May 14.—The convocation exercises of Kings College here today were one of the most successful in the history of the old university. There seemed to be among the faculty students and friends of the institution an optimism and hopefulness for the future that spells progress to a large degree.

The celebration of holy communion at 7:30 a. m. marked the opening of today's exercises. This was followed by the procession from college to Christ church where, Rev. F. G. Scott, M. A., D. C. L., St. Matthew's church, Quebec, delivered the consecrated bread discourse.

At two p. m. the convocation exercises for the conferring of degrees were held in the college hall. On the platform were Chancellor Townshend, Bishop Worrell, Bishop Richardson, Canon Scott, Dr. Taylor, President Powell, members of the faculty, church dignitaries and distinguished visitors.

FIRST OF PEACE PARTY ARRIVES IN CANADA

Former Mexican Charge at Washington Reaches Niagara Falls—To Make Arrangements for the Envoys.

Niagara Falls, Ont., May 14.—Algara R. De Leroux, former charge d'affaires of Mexico at Washington, who went to Toronto, arrived here today to perfect arrangements for the accommodation of the Mexican peace envoys. He is the first of the interested parties to arrive for the mediation congress, which opens its conference here Monday.

APPEAL TO PEOPLE SEEMS ONLY WAY TO SETTLE IT

Nationalists and Unionists are Taking More Pessimistic View of Situation.

NATIONALISTS SAVED GOVERNMENT YESTERDAY

Narrow Majority for Government on Snap Division—Belfast Press Urges Resort to Guns.

London, May 15.—Both the Nationalists and the Unionists of Dublin are taking a pessimistic view of the situation since Tuesday's announcement of the government's proposal. The Nationalists feel that if they arrive at an agreement for the permanent exclusion of Ulster, from the home rule bill, Redmond will be compelled to declare war against the government by refusing to recognize the amending bill.

Although Redmond holds the sword over Asquith's head ready to strike as soon as he is displaced, it was the Nationalists who came to the rescue of the government yesterday, when a snap division was taken, resulting in the narrow government majority of 21. The Liberals have become so accustomed recently to the urgent orders of the whips that they have been rendered case-hardened and lax.

Urgent summonses were issued to clubs, offices and residences of members, and ministerial supporters, principally Nationalists, came pouring in from all directions. Had the vote been contrary, it would have greatly weakened the government, even if it had not necessitated its resignation.

Another instance of the strategic activity of the Ulster volunteers in gun running has come to light. A few days ago, when coast guards and police were exercising a vigilant outlook on the northeast coast to prevent an other raid, a number of automobiles were concentrated at certain points, deepening the suspicions of the officials that a ship carrying contraband of war was expected.

At no time, declares the statement, did the New Haven antagonize the Grand Trunk in its efforts to enter the New England territory.

BRIDGIE WEBBER SWORE TO FALSE AFFIDAVITS

Admits He Lied to Police Commissioner, and Supplies Information Withheld at First Becker Trial.

New York, May 14.—Counsel for Charles Becker, the former police lieutenant on trial charged with the killing of Rosenthal, admissions that he had lied to Deputy Police Commissioner Dougherty, had said things during his direct examination earlier in the day that he omitted the first time Becker was on trial for his life, and had sworn to affidavits that he swore today were false.

Under cross-examination Webber trembled, his mouth quivered and then curled into a smile. At times he seemed to defy Martin T. Mantona, of Becker's counsel, to draw any contradictory statements from him. At other times he appeared to slide away in death. Twice he admitted that he was untruthful for the part he had taken in the crime.

Mention of the death of the four gunmen in the electric chair affected the witness almost to the point of tears. But he gripped the arms of the witness chair, regained control of himself and went on with his testimony.

In its essential points the story he told of the murder conspiracy and its result remained unchanged by cross-examination. Attorneys for the defense, however, expressed themselves as gratified they had made Webber admit he had lied.

SENSATION PROMISED BY CHAS. MELLE

Will Place at Disposal of Interstate Commission all Facts Concerning Transactions of New Haven Road.

Washington, May 14.—Former President Charles S. Mellen, of New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad today began before the Interstate Commerce Commission what is expected to be one of the most amazing stories ever told in the history of high finance.

Mr. Mellen was on the witness stand today only a little more than an hour. To enable him to return to New England for documents an adjournment was taken until next Tuesday.

While the examination was in progress, counsel for Mr. Mellen made public a long statement dealing particularly with the relations of the New Haven with the Grand Trunk. This was not put in evidence, but it may be made a part of the record later.

Mr. Mellen declared his policy was not to harass or delay or prevent the construction of the Grand Trunk line, but only to protect the interests of the New Haven.

Very little money had been spent by the Grand Trunk in connection with the Providence extension until after the death of Mr. Hays, and Mr. Mellen declares in his statement, he was convinced that had Mr. Hays lived no money would have been expended in any serious construction of the Providence line, as he was positive, even if the Grand Trunk could have carried half the traffic originating on the proposed line, including Providence, the line would never have paid more than its operating expenses.

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DETECTIVES FAIL IN HUNT FOR J. W. MOYES

Believe that Railway Promotor for Whom Warrant is Out Has Escaped Across the Border.

Toronto, May 14.—That J. W. Moyes, a warrant for whose arrest was issued following the findings of the railway board regarding his operations as promoter of the Ontario West Shore Railway, is recuperating somewhere in Algonquin Park, is now regarded as extremely doubtful. Provincial Detective Greer, who was sent to arrest Moyes, failed to find him registered at the hotel where it was understood he was staying, and left for some point west. The authorities are inclined to think he has escaped across the border and the warrant has been made out charging theft in order to facilitate possible extradition proceedings.

GOES TO HELP OF DONALD SON LINER TRITONIA

St. Johns, Nfld., May 14.—The sealer Bellaventure sailed today to assist the Donaldson liner Tritonia from her beleaguered position. The steamer is ice-bound in Notre Dame Bay.

It is reported that the Duke and Duchess of Connaught will visit St. Johns early in July.