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FRANCE LOSING MUCH BY STRIKE

Commerce Seriously Hampered by Tying Up of Railroads—Paris Food Supply May be Cut Off

WORKERS UNABLE TO REACH HOMES

More Roads Threatened With Blockade—Strikers on Western Railway Indulge in Destruction of Property

PARIS, Oct. 12.—The strike of the railroad men which has spread throughout France was denounced today by Premier Briand, as an insurrection badly built upon criminal foundations.

The Premier declared that the strike was called without negotiations were going on for an adjustment of grievances, and he promised that the investigators of the strike would be prosecuted.

The river Seine, which in January threatened to destroy Paris, now looms up in the role of a saviour. The government has made arrangements to rush food supplies to Paris from the sea, and the food market which is already hard hit. The employees of the Eastern and the Paris Lyons and Mediterranean railways have not to any appreciable extent, responded to the strike call, and the government's weapon of mobilization has induced some of the employees of the Northern railroad to return to their posts.

Nevertheless the Northern and Western railways are paralyzed. The call to the strike has been followed by the large majority of the employees today the strikers refused their determination to return to work. The call to the strike has been followed by the large majority of the employees today the strikers refused their determination to return to work.

Thousands of persons living in the suburbs and employed in Paris passed this evening around the depots. They were silent and sullen, with military camp in front. Then, with true Parisian slyness, they laughingly set out to walk home, perhaps a distance of five or ten miles, or attempted the tramways, cabs, automobiles and other conveyances.

The losses to commerce already are tremendous. Scores of trains have been stalled along the roads, many of these carrying food supplies which have become unfit for use. The passengers for the steamship, Oceanic, which took the train for Cherbourg at Paris, are blocked at Mantes-sur-Seine, about thirty-six miles from Paris. Many Americans have been compelled to remain in this city or to pay fabulous sums to reach the coast so that they might embark for England. Several hundred sacks in the American mail are now being transported from Havre to Paris up the Seine.

The French steamship line, which employ a tax to take the passengers for the steamer La Touraine, sailing on Saturday.

St. Jades, leader of the Socialists in the Chamber of Deputies, today answered Premier Briand's charge that the railroads of the government were responsible for the present crisis. He declared that the presence of militarism was dangerous, as it was certain to weaken military discipline and increase anti-militarism.

The Paris Lyons and Mediterranean and Orleans railroad men late tonight voted to strike, as did also the employees of the Paris subway who have been agitating a number of demands for some time.

The engineers on these lines do not reside in Paris. They will therefore take their trains out, but abandon them when they reach their own towns after spreading the strike order en route.

Warrants were issued tonight for the arrest of 15 strike leaders.

FOUND NOT GUILTY

Verdict of Jury At Nanaimo Favors Donald Macdonald, Charged With Murder

NANAIMO, Oct. 11.—The hearing of the charge against Donald Macdonald, rancher of Salmon river, for the murder of Frank Savage on the 14th of September last, which was begun in the assize court yesterday before Mr. Justice Clement, was concluded yesterday afternoon and went to the jury at 5:30 p. m. They returned at 8:15 p. m. and on being asked for their verdict, the man replied "Not guilty." The verdict was as once discharged.

Good Swimming Record

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Michael McDermott of the Chicago athletic club broke the world's record for a 100-yard breast stroke swim by 2.4 seconds here tonight. McDermott covered the distance in 1:11 2/5.

Pacific Railways Merger

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 12.—In the United States circuit court here today Judge P. F. Dunn, general counsel for the Southern Pacific, concluded his argument on behalf of the railroads in the government's suit to dissolve the merger of the Southern Pacific and the Union Pacific railroads. Judge Dunn's argument today was devoted to the percentages of revenues and tollage, and was largely technical. Former Senator John C. Spooner will take up the final arguments for the railroads and then conclude tomorrow.

Frank B. Kellogg, of St. Paul, will follow with the arguments in rebuttal for the government.

AUSTRALIA RUNS ON WHITE LINES

Naval Forces of Commonwealth to Be Organized So As to Be Available for Defense of the Whole Empire

COMBINED ACTION AGAINST OUTSIDERS

Bill is Introduced in Senate With Provisions to This End—"White Australia" is Also Emphasized

MELBOURNE, Oct. 12.—The naval defense scheme of Australia is being organized on far-seeing and statesman-like lines.

In the bill just introduced in the senate a board is created to administer the naval forces of the Commonwealth. This bill gives the government general power to acquire war ships in time of need. He is also authorized to compel men to serve in or outside federal waters, if required.

Then comes the really remarkable part of the measure, and what is at the same time a notable departure in naval policy. According to the provisions of the bill, warships and men may be handed over to or taken over from the British navy, the object of this being that the fleets of the empire shall be co-ordinated with a view to combined action in any part of the world, whenever any great emergency may arise.

The bill has been unanimously passed in the federal parliament, increasing the restrictions which make for a white Australia.

SUSPECT RELEASED

Man Arrived at Sacramento Found to Know Nothing of Times Explosion

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 12.—Detective W. J. Burns arrived here this morning to investigate the case of Geo. Wallace, suspected of connection with the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building.

Following his investigation, Wallace was released tonight by order of Chief of Police Ahern. The chief stated that the man's release was due to the fact that he had received information that Wallace's statements and found that he knew nothing of the affair. In the belief of the police, Murray, Wallace's Los Angeles correspondent, who made it appear to his friends that he knew nothing of the dynamiting. Both are men and sympathize with the dynamiters.

When asked as to the capture of the man who dynamited the Times, Burns said that the perpetrators of the outrage, but it will take some time. They are shrewd crooks, the men who committed the job, and a list positive they are members of the gang who have committed like outrages in various parts of the country. I do not expect to catch them in the Middle West.

TAXATION IN OLD LAND

Lord Cadogan Rebukes His Fellow Owners of Big Estates

LONDON, Oct. 12.—Lord Cadogan, one of the richest landlords in the country, has administered a rebuke to fellow owners of big estates who have gone wincing about the country over the land taxes, threatening to hit the government by hitting their tenants.

Entertaining the employees and tenants on the Cufford estate to the annual "Harvest Home," his lordship said that during the past few months the attention of the nation had been largely attracted to the change in the position of new burdens on the sheep. He would not say whether they were right or whether they should submit or rebel, but he would say that some people had decided to "recoup themselves by withdrawing their subscriptions and diminishing the number of their employees in order to be as rich as they were before.

He was no better than his neighbors, but he intended, as far as he was able, as long as he lived, that the extra burdens which fall upon him should not fall upon them. He had to retract some of his obligations, but he did not intend to retract in any thing which would touch them.

Vancouver Libel Suit.

VANCOUVER, Oct. 12.—W. C. Nichol, editor of the Province, was yesterday afternoon served personally with a writ in a libel action begun by Mayor Taylor. The alleged libel is contained in some former issues of the Province, published within the last fortnight, in which the charges of graft is brought against the plaintiff. Damages are claimed in the sum of \$10,000.

NEW LINERS FOR PACIFIC

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy Announces Arrangement Will be Made for Larger and Faster Expresses

FASTER STEAMERS FOR TWO OCEANS

Pacific Expresses Found Too Small for Trade Which Has Outgrown Them Since They Were Placed in Service

New liners are to be built by the Empress of India and Empress of China in the trans-Pacific trade. According to an announcement made by the directors at the annual meeting of the C. P. E. held at Montreal last week plans are under consideration and announcement is expected to be made of an arrangement for the construction of new liners within a few weeks.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, in his address to the shareholders at the annual meeting, said: "There has been a very striking expansion in the passenger traffic between the continent and Europe through Canadian ports, since your two steamships the Empress of Britain and the Empress of Ireland were put into service, and the time has now arrived when steamships of greater size and speed should be provided for the route in the interest of Canadian ports, the country generally and the rate of transportation.

While there has not been the same increase in traffic on the Pacific route as has been experienced on your transatlantic line, the fact remains that your two steamships are now showing at least in proper proportion, while your Pacific Ocean boats are not so well conditioned they are now too small for the trade and should be replaced. Plans for the new liners are now being prepared and you are now receiving attention from directors expect that within the next few weeks they will be able to complete the arrangements for the new line.

Twenty Vessels.

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ALLEGED PLOT IN MEXICO

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ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION

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LIBERAL PLANS FOR PORTUGAL

Republican Government Proposes Secular Education, Just Taxation and Other Public Reforms

REVOLUTIONISTS NEARLY DEFEATED

Suicide of Admiral Reis Through Disappointment—King Manuel's Reported Feeling of Relief

LISBON, Oct. 12.—Jose Relvas, the new minister of finance, in a review today said that one of the first acts of the government would be to impose obligatory secular education. At the same time the republicans will fully recognize liberty of conscience, and did not desire to destroy religious sentiment, but only to oblige the priests to confine themselves to spiritual matters.

The minister said the government intended to recommend the abolition and make the colonies bear the crown administrative charges. This, he added, would meet a third of the existing deficit without injuring the colonies, the preservation and development of which would be of supreme interest in Portugal's policy.

It is learned that the suicide of Admiral Reis so disconcerted the revolutionists that it nearly wrecked their plans. It seemed that shortly before the hour agreed upon for the meeting, the minister of marine signalled sailing the warships whether they were ready to receive a signal from the conspirators, who refused to accompany Admiral Reis in a boat to the coast. San Basilio, in a boat to the coast, was seen in the distance of the harbor.

The death of Admiral Reis was planned, but Dr. Cunha's conversion to the royal cause, and the denial which reached the conspirators, of whom 100 were booked to Victoria. The steamer connected at Prince Rupert with many passengers from Stewart, including Ben Davis, of the Empress Hotel. The steamer was detained by fog for nine hours after leaving Prince Rupert, and when the thick weather cleared the vessel was specked southward. The Prince George made the run of 107 miles between York Point and Bella Bella in six hours, averaging about eighteen miles an hour. On the southern route the steamer was soured with heavy rain and 45 minutes. Northbound the chartered rough weather in Queen Charlotte sound, but heavy beam seas, and demonstrated her seaworthiness.

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