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McCURDY GETS AWAY ON HIS FLIGHT TO HAVANA

Thousands Cheer Canadian Aviator In Fine Start on Longest Distance Flight

Gracefully Soars Over Key West Housetops and Heads South for Havana at 7.35 a.m.—Wireless Reports from Vessel Stations Along the Way Tell of Good Progress

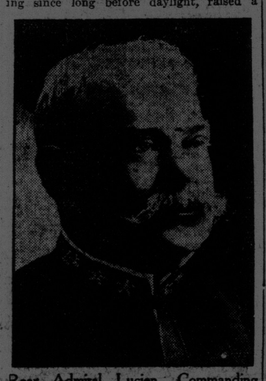
(Canadian Press)

Key West, Fla., Jan. 30—J. A. D. McCurdy, the Canadian aviator, after several days of disappointment because of weather conditions, started at 7.35 o'clock this morning for Havana, Cuba, on what will be, if successful, a record aeroplane flight.

The Start

Key West, Fla. Jan. 30—Aviator J. A. D. McCurdy started upon his record-breaking 110 mile oversea aeroplane flight to Havana, Cuba, this morning. The start was made from the aerodrome at 7.32 o'clock under the most favorable weather conditions. A nine mile breeze dipped the flag which was flying from the machine but did not hinder the daring birdman's progress.

A great crowd, which had been gathering since long before daylight, raised a



Rear Admiral Lucien, Commanding Escort

vociferous good-bye to the aviator as the Curtiss biplane left the earth in its flight.

"I hope to be in Havana within two hours," declared the aviator just as he started.

The early part of the flight was most spectacular, McCurdy flying over the city before launching outward upon the course proper for Cuba. With the speed of a swallow the machine sped southward over the roofs, passing the heart of the city at 7.35 o'clock. The roofs, and balconies of the buildings were black with people.

The prospects for fair weather were responsible for the great crowd which began to assemble about the aerodrome, hours before the start. Many of them carried flags which they waved while they cheered the aviator. At daybreak the revenue cutter Forward, the light house tender Mangrove and two torpedo boats left for their stations.

McCurdy joked with his mechanics while they tinkered over the machinery preparatory to a start. His biplane was in excellent condition with all the parts working without a hitch.

The machine which weighs 750 pounds was equipped with two sixty horse power motors and a brass tank of a size sufficient to hold enough fuel to make the trip. Two long pontoons were attached to the machine underneath to float it in the event that it fell into the water.

Early wireless despatches from the commander of the torpedo flotilla saying that the weather conditions were favorable led McCurdy to say between 6 and 7 o'clock that the start would be made.

The torpedo boats Roe and Terry left here at 4.30 o'clock, the Roe carrying several newspaper men. A little later a wireless message from Havana stated that the Paulding and the Drayton had left that port to take up their stations. The fact that the Paulding was in Cuba when the start was made disarranged the original plan of alignment.

Clouds of Smoke as Guide

The vessels were set approximately ten miles apart and each was instructed to keep the furnaces filled with coal so as to throw upward vast volumes of smoke to guide the aviator on his way.

The wireless operators on the boats were also instructed to keep in constant communication with the wireless station on land and report every detail of the flight. Upon the deck of the Paulding a platform had been built so that if McCurdy would be compelled to make a descent at sea he could ascend again from the deck of the vessel.

The school children had been given half a day's vacation in expectation of the flight and they were marched by their teachers to the high parts of the city, from which a view of the biplane in motion could be seen. The city has not been so thrilled since the Spanish war days, as it was while McCurdy sped over the crowded house tops.

McCurdy did not try any fancy work, but was content to make speed with safety, and hold to his course. Word of the start was flashed by wireless to his brother in Havana.

"Fine, I will soon see him then," was the cheery word which was flashed back from the Cuban capital.

Reported En Route

McCurdy has reached the destroyer Roe, twenty-two miles out, at 8.14 a. m.; all well.

LATER.

Havana, Jan. 30—McCurdy is attempting a new start from the deck of the destroyer Pauling which picked him up.

McCurdy Ready to Start

ALL-BRITISH WEEK

March 27 to April 1 to Be Given up to Plan by West End London Merchants

London, Jan. 30—The "all-British" shopping week recently organized by the shopkeepers of Ealing having proved most successful, the Union Jack Industries League is now trying to induce the great trading firms of the West End of London to follow their example. At a meeting which was held to consider the question, Viscount Hill presided and representatives of many of the leading West End firms attended.

The secretary of the league, A. M. O'Brien, began by stating that the movement was strictly non-political in character. Its sole object was to further the interests of manufacturers and retailers on the one hand and the purchasing public on the other. "Support your own industries," ought to be a national motto, for on its adoption depended the future prosperity of the British empire. The idea was essentially pro-British, not anti-foreign, which was an important distinction.

The chairman said that the object of the "all-British" week was to secure the display of home and colonial and Indian goods with a view to the pushing of such British-made articles. If tradesmen would enter into the movement heartily he felt sure that they would reach the purchasing public.

At the conclusion of the meeting it was unanimously resolved that the period from March 27 to April 1 inclusive should be observed as an "all-British" shopping week, during which, as far as was possible, British goods should be displayed in the windows and on the counters of the various establishments.

MR. ADVERTISER!

Do you know that despite the heavy storm on Saturday afternoon the actual street sales of The Times by newsboys amounted to **5,824** copies?

This was in addition to the regular delivery by carrier boys to subscribers in all parts of the city. The people read The Times.

SMASHING REPLY TO COL. HUGHES

Dr. J. A. Macdonald Speedily Settles Charge Made in The House of Commons

(Canadian Press)

Toronto, Jan. 30—A telegram has been received from Dr. J. A. Macdonald, editor of the Globe, in reference to the statement attributed to Col. Sam Hughes that Dr. Macdonald was in the pay of Mr. Ginn, a prominent Boston publisher, to preach reciprocity.

The statement that he went to Washington in connection with reciprocity is absolutely false, declares Dr. Macdonald. He says that he is a member of the World's Peace Foundation, established by Mr. Ginn, but there are no salaries and reciprocity is not on the programme.

"Neither the founder nor any of the directors favors the political union of Canada and the United States,'" says Dr. Macdonald. "Personally and in the interests of world peace, I oppose any change in Canada's imperial relations. As a free nation in the empire, Canada can exercise greater influence than is possible through independence. Col Sam Hughes' statement, is a 'whole cloth' falsehood. Only a slanderer and a coward will repeat it after this."

COUSINS DROWNED

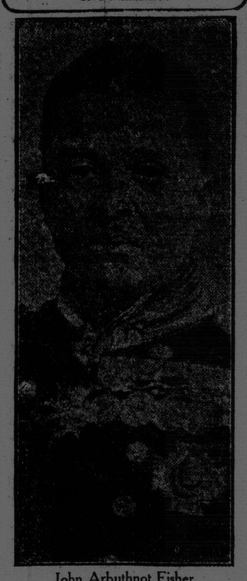
Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 30. — (Canadian Press)—Frederick A. Smith and Albert Smith, aged 21 and 24 years old, cousins, living at 80 Woods street, east, were drowned in Burlington Bay, while skating yesterday. They ventured a spot from which the ice had been cut.

Kingston Talks Exhibition

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 30—(Canadian Press)— The Jamaica Chamber of Commerce is considering a proposal to recommend to the government the holding of a big exhibition in this city in 1915 coincident with the formal opening of the Panama Canal.

PEOPLE OF NOTE

Times' Gallery of Men and Women of Prominence



John Arbuthnot Fisher

He is First Lord Fisher of Kilverstone, and also admiral of the fleet, who has retired from the navy, under the age limit. He was born in 1841, and had been admiral of the fleet for some years.

EARTHQUAKES; VOLCANIC ERUPTIONS; TIDAL WAVE

ONTARIO FARMER FALLS INTO PEN; IS EATEN BY SWINE

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 30—Twelve hours after he had been missed, from home, the mutilated body of of James Calder, aged sixty years, a farmer of Staple, twenty-two miles north of this city, was found lying face downward in a hog pen.

The discovery was made by Mrs. Calder, who had become alarmed at her husband's long absence and started in search of him. The man evidently became unconscious and fell among the swine who ate his flesh.

ANY OF THE THREE SITES SUITABLE

Committee Seeks Place to Make Patrol Wagon Headquarters

DECIDE TONIGHT

Likely Building in King Street East, Carmarthen or Leinster Street —Market Committee is Preparing Report to Council

The sub-committee of the safety board appointed to deal with the matter of a police patrol wagon met this morning and visited a number of places where it might be possible to house the vehicle. A definite decision was not reached as it will be necessary to consult the officials of the public works and water and sewerage departments to see if the places selected would be available.

The committee looked over the fire station in King street east but came to the conclusion that there was no room there for another team. The stables of the public works department in Carmarthen street and the stables of the water and sewerage department in Leinster street, were also examined and it was the opinion of the committee that either of these places would be suitable if arrangements could be made with these departments. A shed in King street east used by the water and sewerage department was also considered suitable.

The matter will probably be decided at the meeting of the safety board this evening.

A member of the committee in speaking of the introduction of a patrol wagon, said he thought it would be of doubtful value, without a regular call system. If the wagon was wanted after midnight, for instance, it would be difficult for a policeman to send word to the stable as all places of business would be closed and private residents would not like the idea of being roused from bed to send in a call. The cost of installing a call system has been regarded as too expensive to be undertaken at present.

The market committee is meeting this afternoon to prepare a report for the meeting of the common council on Monday next. The clerk of the market will be present at the meeting and the question of revising the by-laws will be discussed. It is probable also that the committee will further consider the matter of remodelling the eastern and western ends of the building. One of the difficulties in the way of carrying out this plan is that the tenants of the building would likely be interfered with. There have been several applications for quarters, provided the building is made suitable.

SAID TO BE NOVA SCOTIAN

Wm. McLeod Sentenced in Ontario For Theft of Overcoat

(Canadian Press)

Belleville, Ont., Jan. 30—A young man Wm. McLeod, who claims Nova Scotia as his home was on Saturday sentenced to eighteen months in the central prison for stealing an overcoat from the hall of a hotel in this city.

JEFFRIES FINED $20

Mexico City, Jan. 30—(Canadian Press) —Jim Jeffries, who is due to arrive here on February 8, accompanied by Barney Oldfield, will not be permitted to carry out his plan of giving boxing exhibitions.

Bars have been put on prize fights and pugilistic exhibitions all over the country. The two pugilists were arrested at Ciudad Porfio Diaz Mex., Saturday night, while they were giving an exhibition. The promoters of the event were fined $20.

GREATLY PLEASES THE ISLANDERS

Tariff Agreement Received With Glee in Garden of Gulf

SEE EXPANSION

Senator Beveridge, Insurgent Republican, Commends the Pact —Taft Complacent in Face of Some Opposition

(Special to Times)

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Jan. 30—Prominent shippers and farmers in this agricultural province are delighted with the prospect of securing reciprocity with the states. One man calls it one of the best measures in the interest of P. E. Island since confederation.

This year, for instance, there is the biggest hay crop in the island's history. Despite the $4 duty, a considerable quantity was exported to the states, but without duty the traffic in that product will be immensely increased. The removal of 25 cents duty on potatoes is another great boon to the farmers. Fishermen are enthusiastic over admission of fish free. The island has everything to gain and nothing to lose by the tariff agreement.

(Canadian Press)

Washington, Jan. 30—Senator Albert J. Beveridge, insurgent republican, of Indiana, in a statement last night, commended the reciprocity agreement with Canada.

"The details of the itemized agreement," he said, "may be important to some, but, after all, they are of small consequence compared with getting the policy going. The great body of our farmers have nothing to fear, and should not let anybody alarm them. The working men and salaried classes will be helped, of course, and so will the manufacturing industries as a whole."

Taft is Happy

Toronto, Jan. 30—(Special)—The Globe's Washington special says—"The White House is receiving a flood of congratulations in letters and telegrams from all over the country regarding the president's work in bringing the negotiations with Canada to a successful conclusion. The president appeared to his callers yesterday very happy at the popular reception accorded to the proposed agreement and his complacency seemed little disturbed by cries of anguish that still come from Republican members of the White House insurgents and regulars alike."

Jas. J. Hill's Views

St. Paul, Minn., Jan 30—(Special) — James J. Hill, characterizes the proposed agreement between Canada and United States, as a message of true statesmanship and says intelligent citizens and public men will approve it, demagogues mainly opposing it. Both countries, Mr. Hill says, gain, but as there are about $3,000,000 people in the United States our measure of gain is much greater. "Your trade with Canada," Mr. Hill adds: "is now nearly $350,000,000 a year and growing rapidly. She is our third best customer and will soon probably take second place."

British Columbia Lumber

Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 30—That the proposed reciprocity agreement will never be passed, at least not in its present, form is the opinion advanced by saw mill men in Vancouver. One declared that the fruit interest would never submit to a reduction of duty on American fruit. In addition there would be a great difficulty in getting the government of this province to allow free exportation of logs from British Columbia, even in return for the removal of certain restrictions at present working against the interests of the lumbermen here.

He declared that all other duties on Canadian shingles, going across line, would be beneficial, but it remained to be seen if shingles would be put in classification as lumber, and thus made a contingent of the free export of logs from the various provinces. If this were the case, he said that it would not matter much what was done about shingles or any other varieties of manufactured lumber, as it was probable that the provincial government would permit the removal of the duty on exported logs.

John Hendry, the president of the association, will leave for Ottawa on Tuesday and while there will consult with prominent lumbermen there with respect to the agreement.

Twenty Lives Are Lost In The Philippines

ISLAND SINKS

Teriffic Electric Storm Adds To Fearful Riot of Nature—Terrified Natives Abandon Homes and Flee to the Hills For Safety

(Canadian Press)

Manila, Jan. 30—Observers sent out by the Bureau of Science to investigate the eruptions of the volcano Taal have telegraphed in a report that a terrific eruption occurred at 2 o'clock in the morning simultaneously with two prolonged earthquakes. The island on which the volcano is located sank five feet. A heavy mud shower fell and then for half an hour hot ashes.

The observatory at Manila corroborates the report of the earthquake and adds that a remarkable electrical storm continued for two hours with deafening thunder within the smoke and gas umbrella above the volcano. Lava and stones were belched 3,000 feet.

The constabulary assisted the panis stricken natives. One cavalryman was killed by the wreck of a house on the lake shore. Following the sinking of the island, a wave four feet high swept over the lake shore for a radius of a mile, destroying hundreds of bamboo shacks. These, however, had been vacated on account of the early eruptions which occurred yesterday morning.

The terrific explosions in the air prostrated many of the constabulary. The observatory here reports a total of 132 shocks. The southern railroad has not been damaged, but three inches of mud and ashes cover the tracks in places and holds up traffic.

The observatory authorities says that Manila is in no danger. It is believed that the towns of Taal and Lemery have been considerably damaged by mud and stones. All the towns within a radius of fully twenty miles have suffered damages from the rain of mud and stones, which still continues. The native population in all directions are abandoning their villages and fleeing to the hills in terror.

Manila, Jan. 30—Twenty persons, all natives, were overwhelmed and drowned by the tidal wave which followed the eruption on the volcano Taal, according to press advices received here today.

TRIED TO HIDE THE LIQUOR FROM MOTHER

Ontario Man Proceeded Against and Convicted But High Court Rules Otherwise

(Canadian Press)

Toronto, Jan. 30—Justice Britton on Saturday, ordered Magistrate Selkirk, of Leamington to pay $35 costs for convicting Hezekiah Milkins, on a charge of keeping liquor for sale. His Lordship held that there was not a particle of evidence for conviction.

Milkins' defence was that he had bought the liquor for use on a hunting trip, and desiring to hide it from his mother, he was bottling it for convenience in concealing it.

WEATHER PRANKS ARE PLAYED AGAIN

Another rapid change of temperature was experienced during the past twenty-four hours, the glass indicating a rise of 35 points. The snow covered streets of Saturday and Sunday were changed to slush this morning, and a biting wind became a spring breeze. The snow fall on Saturday amounted to four inches. During Saturday night there was a gale from the northwest. Early Sunday morning the temperature dropped to three above zero. This was followed by a rising temperature yesterday, and rain last night. The temperature this morning was 38 above. The indications are "clearing and colder weather with strong winds and gales from west to northwest."

STRIKE OF 8,000 RUSSIANS ADDS TO PLAGUE TROUBLES

Harbin, Manchuria, Jan. 30—Added to the horrors of the plague, 8,000 Russian workmen on the Eastern Chinese Railway, fearing the disease, have gone on strike because the administration refused to dismiss 1,500 Chinese laborers and provide passes to enable the families of the Russians to return to their own country. The strikers have been paid off and will, with their families, be evicted from their dwellings.

Troops have been stationed all along the line to protect the Chinese. Eight thousand Russian workmen without homes and with infinite resources, are likely to prove a source of grave danger, and it is probable that additional troops will have to be provided.

There has been no let up in the spread of the plague, During forty-eight hours, 40 deaths were reported in Harbin alone, and probably there were many others not reported. In the same period 150 Chinese died in Fudziadian, a suburb of the city.

HANDSOME WOMAN MURDERED; MAN WITH CAST IN EYE IS SOUGHT

(Canadian Press)

New York, Jan. 30—The police of various cities were today asked to instigate a search for a tall, slender man with a cast in one eye, who wears a light overcoat and a slouch hat, who is wanted to clear up the murder of a handsome woman found dead from strangulation last night in the Hotel Bryant at Forty-Fourth street and Sixth avenue.

Today twelve hours after the discovery of the crime the remains of the woman were still unidentified.

The man and woman had registered as "Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, of Montclair, N. J." but the police declared that these were fictitious names.

THE WEATHER

Clearing and colder with strong winds and gales from west to northwest.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT HONORARY MEMBER OF TORONTO MASONIC LODGE

(Canadian Press)

Toronto, Jan. 30—The coming of the Duke of Connaught will be of special interest to the Toronto Masons. His Royal Highness, who is the grand master of the Grand Lodge of England, is an honorary member of Zetland Masonic Lodge. The duke's visit to Zetland Lodge some years ago was a historical event in Toronto masonry.

MOTHER OF MISSING GIRL FADES FROM SIGHT

(Canadian Press)

New York, Jan. 30—Despite the police theory that Miss Dorothy Arnold, the missing daughter of Francis B. Arnold, the millionaire merchant, is alive, John S. Keith, one of the lawyers representing the family appealed to the police today to have the lakes in Central Park dragged.

There is a report that Mrs. Arnold, the mother, is mysteriously missing. Miss Marjorie Arnold, a sister, denied that her mother's absence was mysterious, although she did not know where she had gone.

STEAMER RUNS DOWN SCHOONER; FOUR DROWN

Swansea, Wales, Jan. 30 — (Canadian Press) — Four men perished and two others had narrow escapes from drowning when the British steamer Irena ran down the schooner Wiln in a heavy fog off Selwick.

ANOTHER RAILWAY

Toronto, Jan. 30—Canadian Press)—A deputation of 120 men from the north will on next Friday, urge the provincial government to guarantee the bonds of a railway to be built from the Canadian Northern line about twenty miles north of Parry Sound to North Bay. The line will open up a section rich in minerals.

CARRIE NATION NEAR DEATH

Eureka Springs, Ark., Jan. 30—(Canadian Press) —Mrs Carrie Nation, is reported to be sinking rapidly today, and her death is said to be imminent.

NEWS OF FREDERICTON

A Police Case—Lumbermen Finish Yarding—The Marysville Church Fire

(Special to Times)

Fredericton, Jan. 30—Quite a stir has been created in police circles over alleged rough treatment of a man named Henry Williams by Policeman Gunter on Saturday. Williams was arrested on a charge of intoxication and declined to tell where he obtained the liquor. He has engaged R. B. Hanson to take proceedings against Gunter. The case was postponed for a week owing to Williams being too ill to appear.

Residents of Morrison's Mills are circulating a petition to the city council to have the water system extended to that locality.

Upwards of a foot of snow has fallen here since Friday. Most of the lumber operators in this section have finished yarding.

The origin of the fire which destroyed the Methodist church in Marysville is a mystery. It was first thought to have been caused by an overheated furnace pipe but Rev. J. C. Berrie, who was the last to leave the church, does not agree with this theory.

The Orange Hall and United Baptist church have been offered to the Methodists for worship until a new church can be built.

KIPLING'S FATHER DEAD

London, Jan. 30— (Canadian Press) — John Lockwood, Kipling, father of Rudyard Kipling, died yesterday. Mrs. Kipling died only a few weeks ago.

THE TIMES' NEW REPORTER

DESPERATE SITUATION.

Mr. Jamesey Jones read the Standard this morning and immediately offered for sale some lots he had recently purchased near Crouchville. He will also turn into cash as quickly as possible some real estate at West St. John. He is convinced, after reading the Standard, that not only will the Grand Trunk Pacific not come to St. John, but that the C. P. R. will pull up stakes and get out. There will be no business here for these railroads. Mr. Pugsley is driving it all away. The new trade agreement with the United States will kill the winter port, drive the descendants of the Loyalists to some uninhabited island in the ocean, and make grass grow on the new Germain street pavement. The market problem will be solved, because there will be nobody left to buy produce. There will be no need of a new ferry boat, for there will be no passengers. In fact Jamesey expects to be compelled by poverty to spend his last days with his relatives in the United States. Jamesey has one son, two daughters, three brothers and forty-three other relatives already in that despised country. They went there since the reciprocity treaty was abrogated.

THE WEATHER.

The Times new reporter arrived at the office this morning wearing furs, overshoes, mittens, raincoat, rubbers, gloves, soft hat, fur cap, muffler, umbrella, creepers, and such other items of clothing as his wardrobe afforded. The young man is determined not to be caught napping, but the rest of the staff are nevertheless laying their spare coin on the weather.

McCURDY'S OWN STORY

Tomorrow The Telegraph will print McCurdy's own story of his 110-mile flight across Florida Strait, from Key West to Havana. The Telegraph and The Times, alone in the maritime provinces, have the right to publish it.