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ASQUITH STARTS PAISLEY FIGHT

Division in the Ranks of His Opponents

Daily Telegraph, Coalition Supporter, Says Former Premier Should Be Returned to Commons—A Campaign of Three Weeks.

(Canadian Press Cable.) London, Jan. 26.—Former Premier Asquith is to arrive at Paisley today to open a political campaign. The contest will last three weeks. While opinion is clearly divided over running a Unionist against him, there are signs of a split also among the democratic section, J. M. Biggar, Labor candidate, apparently not holding strong enough views to suit extreme Paisley Socialists, who threaten to bring out another man.

WILL PROTECT HARBOR WORKS AT THIS PORT

Part of Duties of the New Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

(Special to Times.) Ottawa, Jan. 26.—On Feb. 1 the amalgamation of the Dominion and Royal Northwest Mounted Police under the new name of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police will become effective. Meantime the details are being worked out by Commissioner Perry with Hon. N. W. Rowell and Comptroller McLean. It is anticipated that there will be a squadron of mounted men located at Toronto, at Montreal and at Ottawa and Halifax. They will not only protect the existing harbor works but will be utilized for enforcement of federal law throughout the districts adjacent to their headquarters. They will, for instance, assist the inland revenue authorities in apprehending offenders against the inland revenue law.

SUICIDES IN STATES 5,121 IN LAST YEAR

Lawyers Numbered 43—An Increase in Self-Destruction Since War Ended.

New York, Jan. 26.—A tabulated report of 5,121 suicide cases in the United States in 1919 issued by a Save-a-Life League shows that of the 5,121 suicides, 4,375 were men and 746 were women. Of the 4,375 men, 1,675 were child suicides, 252 were girls and 225 boys. Ages varied from four years to 100. "Since the signing of the armistice there has been a constantly increasing number of suicides everywhere," the report said.

BREWERS AROUSED BY JOHNSON CAMPAIGN

Montreal, Jan. 26.—"Pussyfoot" Johnson's efforts to make Great Britain dry are being taken to heart by the brewers' interests, says a London cable to the Montreal Gazette, and they are beginning to placard, and they are beginning to draw pictures to prevent England going dry and turning to "dope."

C. P. R. Confirm News Of New Falls Bridge

Work This Year for Steel Span 443 Feet Long

Will Be Completed by Summer of 1921—Announcement of a Large Amount of Work on This Division in 1920.

In the 1920 estimates of the Canadian Pacific Railway, which have come to hand, an extensive program of rebuilding, new construction work, balancing, laying new rails, etc., has been mapped out for the New Brunswick district. One of the most important items in the program is the construction of a new steel cantilever bridge over the reversing falls, announced in The Times a few days ago.

The new bridge will have a steel span of 443 feet, supported by concrete abutments, and will have a large reinforced concrete approach from the west side. It will be located between the two existing bridges. The new structure will be carried out this year and the contract for the steel let. It is estimated that the bridge will be completed in the summer of 1921. The new structure will be of the most modern type, and will be able to support the heaviest trains.

At Sand Point. The grain conveyor serving No. 2 berth, Sand Point, will be rebuilt and is considerably higher than the one in use at the present time. The new conveyor will be placed in such a position that ships may be loaded at all tides. At the present time if high tides prevail work of loading steamers at this berth has to be stopped, as the conveyor is too low. This work will be done during the summer, and the new structure will be ready for next winter's winter port trade.

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Eighty miles of new rails will be placed on the main line between St. John and Megantic, and the rails taken up will be utilized to replace lighter rails on branch lines in the New Brunswick district. It is estimated that at least seventy-seven miles of replacement will be undertaken. This year also will be spent in blasting down the main line and also on branch lines. Spruce hedges will be planted along sections where snow drifts during the winter are a serious obstacle to operations. It is estimated that four miles of these hedges will be planted this year. The railway staff is so busy with the work that they intend to continue this line of work.

ASLEEP THREE WEEKS, MEMBER OF NOTED FAMILY DIES

Plainfield, N. J., Jan. 26.—Bond Thomas, brother-in-law of Dr. Simon Flexner, head of the Rockefeller Institute, who had been suffering for three weeks from what physicians believed to be sleeping sickness, died at his home here yesterday. His brother, Professor Henry M. Thomas, of Johns Hopkins University, said that "Thomas' death was, directly due to pneumonia which developed on Saturday."

MONTENEGRINS MAKE STRONG PROTEST TO PEACE CONFERENCE

Paris, Jan. 26.—A strong note has been addressed to the peace conference by the Montenegrin government at Neully in connection with the discussion of the Adriatic question. Protests were made against the manner in which Montenegro's sovereign rights have been trampled on, and it is declared that the supreme council has "deliberately" without consulting the Montenegrin population, taken decisions in flagrant contradiction to its previous decisions.

The note reminds the peace conference that the "kingdom of Montenegro is your ally, not a conquered enemy, sovereign and constitutional state, whose rights the Allies should respect, the same as those of any other power."

DEATH LIST 8 N. C. P. R. WRECK

General Manager Chas. Murphy Had Narrow Escape

Orders Neglected and His Car Not Part of Wrecked Train—Only One Left of a Family.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Montreal, Jan. 26.—The death in the wreck on the C. P. R. at Corbell, Ont., on Sunday morning remained at eight, according to early advices today. Orders to the first section of the station staff to attach the private car of Charles Murphy, general manager of C. P. R. lines, to the first section of the Vancouver express, which was wrecked yesterday morning in a pitch-in at Corbell, were not carried out. To this fact, he owes his life. Mr. Murphy was sleeping in it. It was attached to the rear of the second section, and probably it was some hours after leaving Ottawa that Mr. Murphy awoke and discovered that he was on the second section.

Lieut.-Col. Robert Lines, one of the injured, resided in Ottawa, and is the director of agricultural instruction of the soldiers' settlement board. He was en route to his home in Victoria. Captain Leslie Burrows, who is among the injured, was for some time on the staff of militia headquarters here and figured largely in testimony respecting the raid on the Jesuit Guelph Novitiate.

North Bay, Ont., Jan. 26.—The death of Mrs. Susan Peelen and her two boys in what a few years ago was a happy and growing family. Her husband has taken up residence in Alberta with a family of five. Two other boys were killed in the wreck. Nearly all the passengers on the train were western people, or settlers for the west and all the casualties were in the rear pullman, which was derailed.

When the first section of the transcontinental train was stalled owing to difficulty in rising steam through the extreme cold, its crew went along back to act as a warning to the second section. The members of the crew of the second train report that they did not hear the torpedoes.

ERZBERGER IS FIRED ON AND WOUNDED

Berlin, Jan. 26.—Mathias Erzberger, minister of finance, was wounded by a shot fired at him today. Herr Erzberger was shot as he was leaving the criminal court building. One shot struck the minister.

SAW BLIND MAN ATTACK HIS WIFE

Evidence of Uncle in Case of Quebec Farmer Charged with Murder.

BLISS CARMEN GROWS WORSE AT SARANAK LAKE

(Special to Times.) Fredericton, Jan. 26.—Word concerning the illness of Bliss Carmen, poet and writer, who has been at Saranac Lake for several months, is that he has received a severe setback and that his condition is not reassuring. Mr. Carmen is in his sixtieth year. At his age his illness is serious but not necessarily fatal. The condition of Mrs. Mary Sturgeon, of Barker's Point, who had both feet frozen a few weeks ago while skating, is reported to be improving. For a time it was feared that she would lose both feet.

The council of the federation of port and dock workers, which met in Paris Halifax yesterday, decided to call a twenty-four hour strike at all Atlantic ports on Tuesday.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter "that great white world of yours, out at the Settlement, has been calling me again. My mind was reeling over the snow-clad fields, the woods, the river and the mist. It has beheld the blue smoke rising from the farmhouse chimneys, and the solitary sleigh speeding along the country road. The whiteness and the silence have soothed my jumpy nerves. I am sitting my head on the pillow in that spare room to-night, after a couple of hours' chat with you and Mrs. Hornbeam. I think my childhood dreams would come back to me, and the bitterness of the fruit of the tree of knowledge take itself away till the morning broke. Dreams, Hiram—dreams that came to a little boy in a little world bounded by the nearest hills, streams of the big, beautiful world beyond—the dreams that never come true."

"I had a dream last night," said Hiram. "I guess I got too many pancakes. When I woke up I was tryin' to kick the foot out of the bed, an' Hanner was askin' if I had the nightmare. It is a nightmare, said the reporter, 'is a nightmare much of the time. I have been trying to find out from Sir Oliver Lodge, and some other people who say they know, whether there are any nightmares in the next world, but it is like trying to find out what is going on in Siberia—it all depends on whom you ask for the information."

"I shouldn't worry about that, if I was you," said Hiram. "One world at a time gives me about all the trouble I want. I seen a picture of a bunch of old fellows with white whiskers settin' around waitin' for a message from the next world. If it does 'em any good they might as well do it that as talkin' about the neighbors—but I'm kind of hopin' that you'll get into the next world, an' you'll see 'em. Like them dreams you talk about that never comes true in this one. An' while I'm waitin' I'll just do what I kin to keep the critters comfortable around the farm, an' keep Hanner from wishin' she'd married somebody else. An' if you want to rest your nerves, you needn't go to the farm. You're a bushman yet—Bye Bye!"

GETS REPRIEVE OF THIRTY DAYS

Kitchener, Ont., Jan. 26.—On the eve of his execution for murder, Steve Boyeff, a Bulgarian, last night received from Ottawa the glad news that thirty days of reprieve had been granted. The sentence of death in the case of a companion Ivan Petroff, concerned in the same crime, was committed some days ago to life imprisonment.

NEW SUPREME WAR COUNCIL OF FRANCE

Paris, Jan. 26.—Marshals Foch, Bustin and Petain and Major-General Bueche of staff, met today to discuss the new supreme war council. Nine generals will be chosen later to act on the council, which will be under the presidency of Marshal Petain. Marshal Petain will be vice-president and commander-in-chief of French armies in time of war.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological service.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Temperature. Includes entries for Halifax, Montreal, Toronto, and other cities with their respective weather conditions and temperatures.

More Money For Teachers And Policemen

Further Requests for Increase in Estimates

Playgrounds and Tourist Associations Ask for Larger Grants—School Board Would Also Eliminate Overdraft.

Four delegations appeared before the mayor and commissioners in committee this morning in connection with matters pertaining to the discussion of the 1920 budget. Delegations from the Playgrounds Association and the N. B. Tourist Association asked for increases in the amounts of grants to those bodies; members of the school board presented a supplementary estimate to cover the increases asked by school teachers and also to wipe out the overdraft of \$120,000, and a delegation from the city policemen asked for provision to be made to increase their salaries to \$120 per month.

The delegation from the Playgrounds Association included representatives from the Y. M. C. A., Y. M. C. L., St. Peter's, Atlantic Sugar Refineries, Board of various improvement leagues, the Rotary Club, Commercial Club and board of trade. A. W. Covey was present as representative of the A. A. A. C. M. Belding and Mrs. George Dishart outlined the appeal for an increased grant. Mr. Belding pointed out that while the grant last year was \$84,000, the association was asking for \$70,000 this year, made up as follows: For the supervised playgrounds and Boys' Club, \$4,000; North End Improvement League, \$1,000; and East, West, and South End Improvement League, \$500 each.

The speaker advised the council that the reorganization of the Playgrounds Association was accomplished at the Y. M. C. A. on Saturday, and the following organizations were present and when it was decided to add two members from each to the executive committee: Atlantic Refineries, East, South, West, and North End Improvement Leagues, Rotary Club, Commercial Club, Board of Trade, Boy Scouts and Power Boat Club. This will give the city a thoroughly representative playground association, responsible to the city for its expenditures, and working in co-operation with the commissioner of parks and recreation to promote amateur athletics as never before. There will be developed a healthy rivalry between the different neighborhood playgrounds and a greater development of interest in all outdoor sports.

WHAT MAN IS

Dr. A. F. Emery, Thos. Nagle, H. Colby Smith and A. Gordon Leavitt composed the delegation from the school board. They presented three resolutions which had been passed by the school board.

HOW AGAIN

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Halifax, N. S., Jan. 26.—Two United States tugs are slowly but steadily hauling the Powhattan to Halifax, and it is now hoped that the Powhattan will be brought to port before nightfall. The message telling of the resumption of the tug to Cape Sable was received by the Dominion government steamer Lady Laurier, as follows: "Two United States tugs, the Relief and the Acunnet, are towing the Powhattan ahead of the Relief. Laurier had hauled out, but lost before dawn was secured." Shipping men here say that the work of passing out hawsers to the distressed steamer must have been very difficult, as there is still a very strong blow and the thermometer is away below zero.

ONE DUTCH PAPER FOR PUNISHMENT OF THE FORMER KAISER

The Hague, Jan. 26.—The government and the former German emperor have settled down to await what the Allies will do next. Only one Dutch newspaper, the Amsterdam Telegraph, went before the court and the hearing approving the verdict of the court. "Sentiment for the former Kaiser here is below zero and we believe an extremely small number of Dutchmen would have been hurt if he had been called to account some way or other for the terrible responsibility which rests upon him. The Dutch people do not feel like standing as a bulwark for the German Kaiser and the best part of our government is its total absence of sympathy for the accused."

NOT CANDIDATE, SAYS COOLIDGE

Massachusetts Governor Issues a Statement

Friends May Still Press on in His Interest—Wood Declares for Citizenship at Cape Cod.

(Special to Times.) Boston, Jan. 26.—"I have not been and I am not a candidate for president," says Governor Calvin Coolidge in a statement sent out from the executive offices yesterday. He declines to enter any contest for delegates and declares his duty is to the people of the commonwealth.

This is considered strange, in view of the fact that James B. Reynolds resigned from the republican national committee to take charge of Coolidge's campaign, the big guns of the party in this state have been working tooth and nail for him and Frank W. Stearns has tried his best to run things. But Coolidge's refusal has not disheartened his supporters, many of whom believe that the "Coolidge for President" boom will continue to grow despite his action. The campaign for unpicked delegates will be continued.

An unexpected angle is given to the campaign by the announcement that General Wood has finally chosen Cape Cod citizenship. This state has always been his home, but on account of army duties he has lived all over the country. The chase for the presidential nomination brought out that Wood is a bonafide resident and seemed to hit hard the Coolidge men, who realized that two from this state would fill each other. A few months ago the governor of Kansas proclaimed Wood a citizen of that state, so he had to be a citizen of New Hampshire. If Coolidge will prevail Wood will have a clear swing in New England.

WOODER SHELL FOR BRITISH NAVY

Will Pierce Heaviest Armour Without Shattering, Says Sir Robert Hadfield.

S. E. ELKIN AT BOSTON MEETING

(Associated Press.) London, Jan. 25.—The British navy may soon be given a new and "unrivalled" weapon in a large calibre shell which will pierce the heaviest armour-plate. Lord Robert Hadfield, chairman and managing director of Hadfield's Limited, steel manufacturers, recently, said that the possession of such a shell during the great war would have been of inestimable value to the British fleet.

UP GOES PREMIUM ON CANADA'S MONEY

New York, Jan. 26.—Rates on French, Italian and German exchange dropped to new low levels in the local market today. Demand bills on the pound sterling were quoted at \$3.60, of two and one-half cents from Saturday's close, and one-quarter of a cent above yesterday's rate. French checks were quoted at the rate of 12.27 for the dollar and lire checks at the rate of 14.42. The German mark, worth between 23 and 24 cents before the war, was quoted today at 1.09 cents.

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HAD FEARFUL TIME IN STORM

Puna Driven 1,500 Miles Out of Her Course

Sailor Washed Overboard, Woodwork Used for Fuel, Crew on Bread and Water for Days.

(Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 26.—Driven 1,500 miles off her course by a blizzard which raged for four days while on a trip from New York to St. John's, Nfld., the Norwegian steamer Puna arrived here yesterday on her return trip minus one of the crew who was washed overboard, and, lacking lifeboats, doors and fittings, which were torn away by the storm or burned for fuel. The steamer left here on Dec. 7 for St. John's, and four days later encountered a terrific wind storm and blizzard. The small craft was blown into mid-Atlantic and forced to head for the Azores because of lack of fuel. The coal became exhausted before land was reached and all available woodwork was burned. Water poured into the crew's quarters and they were forced to seek refuge in the saloon and to huddle around the funnel to keep warm.

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