

DRAGGING CROWN INTO STRUGGLE

Unionist Interpretation of Mr. Churchill's Utterances in Commons Debate on Premier's Anti-Veto Resolutions

TAKEN AS DEVICE TO DECEIVE ELECTORS

Importance Attached to Phrase in Closure Proposals Fore-shadowing Introduction of Bill After Resolutions

LONDON, April 2.—The coupling of the Unionist with the Commons against the lords, as made by Mr. Churchill in his speech on the veto resolutions in the lower chamber, has been and continues to be a subject of much conjecture, especially as it is recalled that Mr. Asquith was present at that time. The Unionists say that they can not believe that the cabinet authorized such an ominous announcement to be made not by the premier but by a subordinate member of the cabinet. "The words can only mean," says the Daily Telegraph, a leading Unionist organ, "that the government has resolved to drag the crown into the controversy and represent to the electors that the sovereign desires their victory as an eager as ministers to humble the house of lords." No English politician is destined to take a sensational course for England's present month will not easily concede. Not even ministers suppose that the king would assent to the creation of peers upon the lords' release of the veto resolutions, but many ministerialists believe he might be pressed with success to the resolutions took a phrase in the closure proposals which states: "Without question, a bill shall be ordered to be brought in on any resolutions agreed to."

FOUR THOUSAND MILES

German Wireless Station Claims to Have Covered Extraordinary Distance

NAUMÉ, Prussia, April 2.—The wireless station here claims to have communicated successfully and at length with the Cameroons in West Africa, 4,000 miles distant. The wireless people say they were in constant communication with one of the German steamships from the time that the steamer left Hamburg, and that the steamer reached the west coast of Africa she reached the Cameroons. Neither other ships nor the higher Algerian plateaus interfered with the transmission.

SEALING STEAMER CRUSHED IN ICE

Island Ground Between Flocks and Sinks—Returns to Newfoundland With Few Crew.

ST. JOHN, Nfld., April 2.—The sealing steamer *Island*, operating in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, was crushed in the ice last Wednesday and went to the bottom. The sealer *Florizel*, which struck her, with news of the disaster, rescued the members of the crew. When the *Florizel* left the sealing grounds the steamer *New Foundland* was in a dangerous position, and pressed by the huge ice floes. The steamer *Eagle* was standing by, prepared to take off the 200 men aboard if the *New Foundland* sank. The *Florizel* brought the largest catch of seals ever recorded here, her crew numbering 49,000 skins, valued at about \$120,000. The season has been remarkably prosperous, the catch in sight being worth \$600,000.

CUT OUT FIREWORKS

Mayor Gaynor Decides That Fourth of July Celebration in New York Shall Be Noiseless

NEW YORK, April 2.—The next Fourth of July in New York will be noiseless. Mayor Gaynor decided yesterday that the order of Mayor Eric C. Loring, which permits the retail sale of fireworks between June 10 and July 10, be issued, shall stand. This decision was reached only at the sacrifice of personal preference to a sense of duty, according to a close friend of the mayor. He has been known as a valiant and loyal celebrator of the Fourth of July after the small boy's own manner. His reaction came out openly in his defence. Statisticians of mortality, however, and the health of the city, are the chief arguments of Mayor Gaynor's edict that the next Fourth of July in New York shall be noiseless. About three-quarters of the fireworks of America are manufactured in this city and the largest fireworks corporations represent a large amount of invested capital. Mayor Gaynor's order to the commission stopping the sale of fireworks in this city between June 10 and July 10, is merely a notice that an ordinance now standing, but which has been disregarded, will be strictly enforced.

Scottish Wins International Soccer Match. Scotland 2, England nil.

Mr. Duncanson, Mayor of New York, is enjoying a trip to Victoria.

Lord Strathcona President

LONDON, April 2.—Lord Strathcona has been appointed president of the British and Foreign Sailors' society.

Eleven Fishermen Drowned

LISBON, April 2.—Eleven men were drowned today in the wreck of a fishing boat caught in the heavy squalls which swept the north coast of Portugal.

Roosevelts at Naples

NAPLES, April 2.—The Roosevelt family, aboard the steamer *Prinz Heinrich*, arrived here at 8.30 o'clock this morning. A large number of Americans were on hand to welcome him.

Mormons Not Wanted

BERLIN, April 2.—Five Mormon missionaries from Utah were expelled from Saxony today as undesirable aliens. They were charged with "conducting an immoral propaganda." The missionaries had already induced many women and girls to emigrate to Utah.

New B. C. E. R. Station

NEW WESTMINSTER, April 2.—Within a few weeks the construction will be commenced upon a new B. C. E. R. station on Columbia street. The new building will be two stories in height and will be a union depot for the interurban and Fraser Valley lines.

Taku Placer Excitement

TACOMA, April 2.—According to advices received here today from Juneau, the excitement over the rich placer discoveries on the upper reaches of the Taku river continue. Canadian Customs officers have just returned from an investigation of the new mining region, which is on Canadian soil. He stated that the Dominion Government would establish a relief station and a customs post on the boundary. A big rush of Canadians is expected.

NO SETTLEMENT AT PHILADELPHIA

Negotiations Undertaken by Politicians and Federation Officers Prove Fruitless—Strike to Run Course

AFTER MANY PERILS

Survivor of Farralon Wreck Reaches His Home at Kodiak—Suffered Severely

VALDEZ, Alaska, April 2.—The mail steamer *Dora* arrived from Unalakleet, bringing Charles Burns, the last member of the boat crew that left the camp of the castaways of the steamship *Farralon* at Illana bay, Cook inlet, after the *Farralon* had gone on the rocks, January 19, 1909. Burns refused to accompany the remainder of the crew when they left Kaguyak bay to cross Shelkof strait to Kodiak island, saying that he would try to reach the coast by the steamer *Unalakleet*, and catch the *Dora* when she made her regular call there.

Chinese Gamblers on Board Ship

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—Many prominent Easterners who were passengers on the steamship *Siberia*, which reached here from the Orient, have attached their names to a protest deprecating alleged open gambling conducted by Chinese which they say was indulged in on deck adjacent to the first cabin. The Chinese gamblers, the document recites, won from \$3,000 to \$2,000 in one night. Among the losers on this trip was a young Filipino, who gambled away his entire savings and landed in the United States practically penniless.

Englishwoman Excluded

TORONTO, April 2.—Because she had not the \$25 required by the government regulations, a Mrs. Corrick, a passenger to Canada on the *Lake Champlain*, was stopped at St. John, N. B., on Saturday last, not allowed to land and will be returned to England. This is despite the fact that she was coming to a position with the Jackson Manufacturing company of Clinton, that she was to report to the British Women's association in that city, and that she had a letter from the company and that the Jackson company explained to the department all the circumstances.

Want Eight-Hour Day

WASHINGTON, April 2.—T. J. Dolan, general secretary-treasurer of the international brotherhood of steamship and dredging work, has practically obtained the support of President Taft today for a bill that will be introduced in congress providing for an eight-hour day on government dredges and tug work. Mr. Dolan says that about 8,000 members of his organization are employed under contract and dredging work for the government, and may insist upon eight hours as a day's work. The president is an honorary member of the shovel and dredging organization.

Tribune President Dies Suddenly

PHILADELPHIA, April 2.—Robert Patterson, president of the Chicago Tribune company and last night in his room at a local hotel. Half an hour after his death a telegram came announcing the death of his mother in Chicago. She was 70 years old.

PITTSBURG BANKS TO BE INDICTED

Financial Institutions Which Become Depositories of Civic Funds Are to Be Brought Under Operation of Probe

"BIG SIX" STORIES NOW COMPLETED

Former Member of Common Council Sends Confession in Letter Written in California to District Attorney

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New York Strike Spreads

NEW YORK, April 2.—The harbor boatmen's union, comprising firemen, cooks of the marine department of four roads extending New York City, struck this evening, following the rejection of their demands for an increase of wages, and a day off each week.

Another Aviator Killed

SAN SEBASTIAN, April 2.—Hubert Leblond, the French aviator, who died while making an exhibition flight here today. He was striding through the air when the mechanism of the aeroplane broke down and the machine fell on the rocks of the seashore. He was dashed to pieces.

Bacon Causes Mutiny

MARSHFIELD, April 2.—On the arrival here today of the Prussia line steamer *Polen*, which left Kotzebue, the entire crew mutinied in mid-ocean, complaining that they had been made to eat too much bacon. The ship came to a standstill and for some time was in grave danger.

Salvation Army Wins

NEW YORK, April 2.—Justice Dayton in the supreme court today ruled that the Salvation Army founded by General William Booth, with headquarters in England, is entitled to an injunction restraining the American Salvation Army from using the name or any title so nearly similar as to be confused with the English organization. In a previous trial the American society was victorious, but the decision was reversed on appeal and ordered, resulting in today's order.

Chase After Murderer

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., April 2.—Two bloodhounds from Tompkins, N. Y., today tracked for two miles the man who killed Miss Martha Blackstone in the latter's home, on Thursday evening. The dogs took the trail at the home and followed without hesitation to a lonely car post, where the murderer evidently took the car. Further attempts to pick up the trail will be made. Rewards aggregating \$3,000 have been offered for the murderer's capture.

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THINKS STRIKE WILL BE SHORT

President Lewis Expects to See Coal Miners and Operators Agree on New Wage Scale in Few Weeks

NON-UNION MEN GIVEN INCREASES

Eighteen Hundred Railway Employees Affected by Curtailment of Operations on Account of Fuel Shortage

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 2—Ad-

vicees from the bituminous coal fields of the United States received by the voters of Indiana the state ballot cast their ballots for or against the saloons under the county option law, interest centers largely in ten counties that have been dry since the state constitution was adopted. The measure is now having the question submitted again. These are: St. Joseph, Oakland, Midland, Menaucake, Van Buren, Clinton, Cass, Hancock, Wexford and Wexford. In the 26 wet counties that are to vote on Monday there are 1,325 saloons, and the larger cities in the state include Gary, Hammond, Fort Huron, Lansing and Owosso. The dry counties in Michigan at the present time number thirty.

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Weston Ahead of Schedule

JOHNSTON ISLAND, April 2.—Edward Weston passed Johnston Island last night. He is now 11 days ahead of his schedule.

Disfranchisement of Negroes

ANNAPOLIS, Md., April 2.—The Diggs bill for the disfranchisement of negroes was passed by the house of delegates this afternoon, and now goes to the governor.

Greenwood Buildings Burned

NELSON, April 2.—Fire at Greenwood destroyed an unoccupied building owned by Louis Blue of Rossland, and used in the early days as a miners' hotel. Another fire on Wednesday burned out Foot Lee, the leading Chinese merchant. He had no insurance.

Russia's Defence Programme

ST. PETERSBURG, April 2.—The government will soon introduce in parliament a bill providing for the general reorganization of the national defenses and involving expenditures during the next ten years of \$75,000,000. The plan has received the approval of the Emperor. For land defenses \$25,000,000 has been assumed. The bill for the reorganization of the navy will not be considered by the Duma before next fall.

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OPINIONS VARY ON RAILWAY LAW

Administration's Proposed Aid for Control is Not Unanimously Approved by Committee of Washington House

MINORITY REPORT IS SUBMITTED

Holds That Change Has Not Been Asked for and Is Unnecessary Interference—Corporation Tax Changed

NORTH POLE FLIGHT

Elaborate Preparations to Be Made at Spitzbergen for Count Zeppelin's Effort

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