

10 LIVES LOST IN TRAIN WRECK

TREASON TRIAL CENTRE OF INTEREST

ACCIDENT ON CENTRAL VERMONT RY.

Ten Persons Killed and
Twenty-five Injured—
Boston-Montreal Ex-
press Was Derailed
Going at High Speed.

ROAD PART OF

C. N. R. SYSTEM

(British United Press.)

Burlington, Vermont, March 11—Ten persons have been killed and 25 injured in a wreck of the Boston-Montreal express on the Central Vermont Railroad, 25 miles south of here according to reports. The train was derailed while travelling at high speed, according to the reports. Some of the injured probably are fatally hurt. The Central Vermont is part of the Grand Trunk system and is now the property of the government of Canada.

N. Y. CENTRAL HEAD MET A TRAGIC DEATH

New York, March 11—Alfred H. Smith, 62 president of the New York Central Railroad lines and a national figure in finance was thrown from his mount and killed at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon while riding in Central Park.

His neck was broken and he died a short time after he had been rushed to the Fifth Avenue Hospital in an automobile. He resided at the Hotel Plaza. He had risen to power from office boy. His biography was a true romance of the American business world.

Police of the Arsenal station in Central Park learned that Mr. Smith had reined his horse suddenly to permit other horsemen to pass at a narrow point on one of the bridal paths. The horse stopped so suddenly that the railroad president lost his stirrups and was hurled several feet. His head struck the path and when other horsemen reached his side he was unconscious.

A motorist made a record run to the hospital with the dying man but at the hospital Dr. Tenney said nothing could be done to save him.

A son Emory Smith and other members of the family with associates of the New York Central Lines hurried to the hospital but death had reached his bedside when they arrived.

STILL ASKED FOR NEWS OF LOVED ONES

London, March 11—The mothers and sweethearts of men reported missing during the World War, are wonderful examples of the hope that "springs eternal," according to the War Office officials who continue to receive letters asking if anything has been heard from loved lost ones.

These inquiries have been stimulated by a report that two Belgian soldiers had escaped from Germany after having been kept prisoners of war for nine years, and a similar story concerning an Italian soldier who was said to have been in captivity in Manchuria. There is no foundation for either of these accounts of long lost soldiers, according to the War Office, which is convinced as a result of the exhaustive inquiries that no British soldiers are being detained as war prisoners or otherwise against their will.

PAUPER FOR TWENTY YEARS GETS A MILLION

PREFERS HOME

IN POORHOUSE

Made Over Fortune to
His Brother and Wan-
dered Back Over the
Hills.

Pineville, Ky., March 11—Steve White worked all his life manhandling a paint brush. He saved every cent he could get hold of, never allowing himself any of the softening luxuries of life, because he wanted a nice little nest egg for his old age. He had quite a sum set aside when he was 60, but a burglar stepped in, leaving Steve broke, unable to work any more. He was sent to the county poorhouse. The surroundings were about what he was used to and he was comfortable. Now he is 80 and has thrived on the life of a pauper.

A little while ago a relative who was reeking with wealth got thoughtful and died, leaving Steve one million of those loud speakers called dollars. Steve packed up his old socks and pulled out to see what an old man could do with that much money.

Pause, gentle reader, to shed a tear with old man White as he left his country home and several friendly ties of thirty years. Then flick the tear away, simple reader, because Steve never shed his. According to all the mush fiction hew as supposed to, but being normal he wasn't fighting against taking the million.

Steve went up to Middlesboro and sat his rags down in the swellest chair he had ever seen. He was living the life of Reilly's grandpa, but it was so strange he couldn't get accustomed to it. He didn't sleep at nights. He would have horrible nightmares, and dream of being smothered to death under a mountain of soft feather mattresses, held down by silk-cushioned, gold-trimmed chairs. Steve got so nervous he couldn't digest the fine food. He began to long for excelsior mattresses and poorhouse grub.

Finally he couldn't stand it any longer. He called in his brother and signed away everything he had to him and then tossed all his spare change on a table before he left the mansion. It was thirty miles back to Pineville. Old Steve walked all the way. He knocked on the door and when attendant opened it he threw himself on their mercy and begged for his old cot and his old place at the long-planned board table.

"It was mighty nice at the fine house in Middlesboro," he said, "but somehow I wasn't comfortable. I like it better here. Not so many new things, but at least I can die comfortable and as a plain nobody here."

The moral's as plain as a freckle on September Morn. Don't live a stingy life—if you do and somebody leaves you an ashcan full of gold you won't know how to enjoy it.

NOVEL WAY OF KEEPING LOVE

New York, March 11—A boy and girl romance which began in Russia 20 years ago ended in the murder early today of Samuel Gluckman a tailor, by his wife, Edith who hacked him to death with an axe as he slept in their upper West Side apartment.

"I killed him because I loved him so," she told the police as they led her away. "I loved him—I couldn't bear to have him go around with other women."

She and Gluckman had been school and playmates in Russia; she said and had fallen in love when they met in the United States five years ago.

The Slump in French Currency is Worrying The Financial Experts

The Franc Responded Today to Stimulating Efforts of the French Government—The Present Week is Likely to be Critical One—Report of Experts Committee on Reparations is Expected in a Few Days.

(By Lloyd Allen, staff correspondent British United Press)

LONDON, March 11th—Responding to strong stimulative efforts of the French Government the franc opened at 118 francs 85 centimes to the pound sterling today. Financial experts were frankly perturbed at the slump in French currency, which has pursued an almost steady downward trend for weeks and agreed unanimously that the present week will be critical. "The next few days should decide the outcome of Premier Poincare's conflict with the senate on the questions of financial reform," the Manchester Guardian said, "and the reports of the experts committees on reparations also should be ready this week end. These reports, and the actions to which they may lead are of far more importance to French finance than the Poincare Governments international financial program because it is highly doubtful if even the most drastic internal measures could in themselves save the franc."

THE FRANC IS STRONGER

Paris, March 11—With all France straining every resource to bolster up the weakened national currency, francs opened somewhat stronger today. Dollars were quoted at 27 francs 30 centimes and pounds sterling at 116 francs 40 centimes.

RUSSIA HAS THE FIRST LADY ENVOY

(British United Press)

Christiania, March 11—Madame Alexandra Kolontay has presented to the foreign minister her credentials as Soviet Charge D'Affairs she is the first woman envoy in the history of European diplomacy. Madame Kolontay has been acting as Soviet Plenipotentiary to Norway and carried out the negotiations which resulted in the recent recognition of Russia by Norway. She visited the United States during the war.

Visitors' Cards

The Fredericton G. W. V. A. is to extend the courtesies of the association to members of the Legislature during the session, visitor's cards being furnished them.

Late Mrs. Isabella Craig

The funeral of the late Mrs. Isabella Craig took place this afternoon from Adams' undertaking rooms, the body having been brought here from Woodstock. The service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Sutherland and interment was made at the Rural Cemetery.

The body of the late Mrs. Thomas Doohan whose death occurred at Augusta, Me., will arrive here Wednesday. The body will be taken to Newmarket, leaving Fredericton at six o'clock Thursday morning. Service will be conducted by Rev. Father Howland. James Doohan and M. E. Doohan of this city are sons and other sons are John Doohan of Hanwell and Arthur and Walter Doohan of Maine. Mrs. George E. Fletcher of Augusta, Me., at whose residence the deceased died and Mrs. James Gallagher of California are daughters.

FIRST LEVEE OF SEASON HELD TODAY

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

London, March 11—The King's first levee of the season was held at Buckingham Palace today with the army, navy, air force, and diplomatic corps in dazzling full dress. Ambassador Kellogg wore the long trowered evening suit which is the prescribed levee dress. The entire American embassy staff was present.

Retouching Governors' Portraits

A number of the portraits of the Lieut. Governors which have adorned the walls of the Assembly Chamber of the Parliament Building have been removed for retouching by Percy Woodley of St. John an English portrait painter who has been employed for some days retouching the portraits of judges in the Supreme Court Chamber for the New Brunswick Barristers' Society. Mr. Woodley is working in a room in the lower floor of the Education Office.

For New River Boat.

Two giant engines, developing 325 horsepower each, or a total of 450, each engine weighing 22 tons deadweight have been shipped from the Whitton Engine Works, Mobile, Alabama, for the new river steamer, D. J. Purdy, and are due to arrive in St. John any day now. The engines will be installed in St. John when the boat comes to port. Jarvis Purdy will leave St. John for Meteghan, according to present plans on Thursday to be present at the launching on Saturday.

S. R. Weston of St. John, acting chief engineer of the N. B. Power Commission is a guest at the Queen

GUN EXPERT TESTIFIES AT DELORME TRIAL

SPECTATORS

WERE AMUSED

End of Famous Case
Does Not Yet Appear
to be in Sight.

Montreal, March 10—Oscar Haynes armorer, who appeared on the witness stand this afternoon as an expert on ballistics in the trial of Rev. Father Delorme, charged with the murder of his half-brother, Raoul, in January, 1922 described the suggestion that he and Detective George Farah Lajoie would share \$10,000 if Farah Lajoie would share \$10,000 if as "absurd and ridiculous."

This witness was subjected to a severe grilling by Alban Germain, K. C., for defence who asked two brothers Lurger and Jules Brien. The witness admitted that he had met them casually.

"Did you not say to these men in a house in City Hall avenue that you hoped to win the case for the Crown and that if you did you and Detective Lajoie would divide \$10,000?"

"This is absurd and ridiculous" answered the witness, laughing. "I never made such a statement."

Laughter in Court.

The cross-examination of Haynes was punctuated with general laughter in court, even Mr. Justice Martineau smiling broadly during some of the repartees. Father Delorme appeared to enjoy himself greatly and made no attempt to conceal it. Mr. Germain, whose voice is extremely powerful spoke louder than usual. In spite of this, the witness almost invariably demanded: "What?" holding his right hand behind his ear as if to catch the question.

"Most people," commented Mr. Germain, "complain that I speak too loud; you are apparently of a different opinion."

"What?" demanded the witness, amid laughter.

In cross examination Haynes, who is 37 years old, said he had been an armorer for 18 years. He contradicted himself once or twice. Asked if all the parts of Bayard pistols were manufactured by the firm of Bayard he replied that they were. Mr. Germain then declared that not a single part of the pistol was made by the Bayard firm, but the parts were manufactured elsewhere and assembled by the firm.

"It is possible" admitted Haynes. "I am not in Belgium; I am here."

Haynes, however stood firmly by his evidence for the Crown as to the scratches on the bullets fired from the Abbe's automatic, but admitted that he sometimes made mistakes and that while putting pistols together after the tests on Wednesday last he had got mixed up in the parts and had put the handle of one pistol on to the parts of another. He denied that he had bought the pistol purposefully to sell to the priest, but said he had it in mind for a friend of a police man whom he knew.

D'ANNUNZIO TO VISIT RUSSIA

(British United Press)

Rome, March 11—Gabriel D'Annunzio, the fighting poet politician, will soon visit Russia on the invitation of foreign minister Mr. Tchiterin it was announced today.

HER HAIR HER OWN

New York, March 11—"A woman's hair is her own and she may do with it what she pleases" Magistrate Renaud ruled, granting Mrs. May O'Donnell a divorce from her husband who beat her when he came home and found she had bobbed her hair.

WOULD HAVE PROVOKED CIVIL WAR

More Testimony Given
at Trial of Ludendorff
and Others for Treason—
Ex-Dictator of
Bavaria on Stand.

SAYS PLANS WERE ABSURD

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

Munich, March 11—Confirming General Von Lossow's testimony, Dr. Von Kahr, ex-Bavarian dictator called in the "treason trial" today declared he opposed the plans of Hitler and General Ludendorff for military action against the north.

"We wanted a directorate nominally based on political pressure," Von Kahr testified. It was to be a sort of directorship composed of able men from parliamentary and other restrictions."

Saw Ruin and Collapse.

Von Kahr said that Hitler and Ludendorff would have caused a new civil war. "We could only see smoking ruins and collapse if they were given free rein." He added, "Hitler and Ludendorff would not have touched Bavaria if the state government had agreed not to molest their plans for a march on Berlin," Von Kahr declared.

He said that with Von Lossow and Wessner he tried to dissuade them from their plans for seeking a march on Berlin as it would bring the French and Checho-Slovaks swooping down on Germany. "I knew their plans were absurd and groundless," the witness asserted. "I realized that many even in the north did not want Ludendorff directing a dictatorship since it meant a bad foreign reaction. There were also many who did not want to hear anything about Adolf Hitler." The ex-dictator spoke sneeringly of Hitler throughout.

MAY BAR THE HORSE FROM LONDON STREETS

London, March 10—The straggling cabbies, survivors of the legions of picturesque characters who sat on the high boxes or hansom cabs in Victorian London, are in danger of being crowded off the streets even before time gently tucks the last of them away in the grave.

The London County Council is considering issuing a warning that in five years no horses will be allowed on the streets because they serve to slow up the faster motor traffic and are a common source of congestion. Only farmers with their produce would be permitted to drive horses through the congested streets.

There is much more horse drawn traffic in London than in New York, but it is not so much to blame, for the turtle crawl of traffic as are the heavy steam wagons which are allowed to go on any street at any time. These road locomotives, which are like threshing machine engines, belch black smoke all over the pedestrians and the landscape in general, contributing materially to the atmosphere that is London's.

ON A NEW BASIS.

Moscow, March 11—For perhaps the first time since the American civil war the Russian ruble was quoted today on its new basis above the usual parity with the dollar. The State bank rate for the dollar was 1 ruble, 84 kopecks, while the pound was quoted at 8 rubles 29 kopecks.