

American Missionary and Wife Repulse an Attack

A Tense Situation Develops at Swatow, China — Students Made Assault on Rev. Dr. Page, Treasurer of the Baptist Missionary College — Request Made for a U. S. Gunboat — Anti-American Feeling Aroused.

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HONG KONG, Jan. 17—A tense situation, resulting in a request for an American gunboat, developed in Swatow today, after an attack upon the Rev. H. Page, Treasurer of the American Baptist Mission College, by six armed students.

Dr. Page who was injured by assailants, repulsed the attack, according to the students, with a shot gun.

Mrs. Page, the students charged, joined her husband, and, with a revolver, aided in beating off the attackers, it was said.

The dispute which followed charges by the students that Dr. Page had retained money belonging to them, has so wrought up anti-American feeling that the American colony there was reported fearful of further outbreaks and has asked the consulate here to send a gunboat immediately.

HELD OFFICE OF SHERIFF FOR FIFTY YEARS

Shelburne, Jan. 16—Few men in this or any other country have held a public position for fifty years, yet on Saturday of this week George W. MacLean, of Shelburne, rounds out a half century as High Sheriff of the County of Shelburne.

On January 15, 1877, he received his appointment, and for all the years since he has well and faithfully performed his duties. Though well past the three score and ten mark, he still walks with that dignity that has characterized him all along through the years, and has cheery word and smile for all whom he meets, from the infant child to the oldest citizen.

From one end of the county to the other he is known probably better than any other man, and in all districts he commands the respect of the people.

During his half century of service he has seen many changes. When he became Sheriff there were no such things as Municipal Councils, the old Court of Session being then in existence. There were no incorporated towns in the county, and old and out of date Court House.

Scores of judges have come and gone in his day, all of whom he knew quite intimately, as his official duties brought him into close touch with them. Several of the judges who now visit Shelburne were not born when he took office.

MAJORITY FOR GOVT. CONTROL WAS LARGE

Toronto, Jan. 16—A statement of the vote in the provincial general elections last December, issued by Hon. W. H. Price, Attorney-General, Saturday, shows that the total vote was 1,137,878. The vote for supporters of sale of liquor by government control is shown as 689,755, and the vote for opponents of the measure as 448,123, a majority of 241,632 for supporters of government control.

Mrs. Gussie Burbar of Penniac was in the city over the week end visiting friends.

WILL PREVENT THE DUMPING OF EGGS FROM U. S.

Ottawa, Jan. 15—The imposing of an ad valorem duty as well as the existing specific duty on imported eggs will have immediate effect of increasing the price of eggs by approximately ten cents a dozen according to dealers here. The order has gone out from the Department of Customs and Excise and states that "the Minister of Customs values eggs as follows: 45 cents per dozen when imported direct from producing markets or originating territory, 48 cents per dozen when imported from intermediate points." The duty on eggs priced in this way will be seven cents. The former duty being three cents.

Officials state that it is a measure to prevent the dumping of American eggs into the Canadian market and that similar steps have been taken in the past in respect to fruit. Actual duties are fixed by Parliament but the Minister has the power to change the values for duty purposes. The measure is not necessarily a permanent one and it is said unofficially that it is to apply only to those months when the Canadian egg producer is at a disadvantage owing to climatic conditions.

The order to appraisers was sent out on January 10, and while the regulation is now operating its effect has not been felt though dealers state the prices will rise very shortly.

VENIOT SPOKE AT MOTHER'S BIRTHPLACE

Antigonish, N. S., Jan. 16—Postmaster-General Hon. P. J. Veniot, of New Brunswick, Friday told the electors of Pomquet, this county, that he was speaking in the birth place of his mother and that his father was a native of Arichat, close by. He himself was born in Jcton, he said. He was speaking in the interests of William Duff, Liberal candidate in the by-election being held next Tuesday to elect a successor in the Federal House to the late Hon. J. C. Douglas.

(Hon. Mr. Veniot is a native of Richibucto, Kent County, New Brunswick, but his boyhood days were spent in Pictou, N. S.)

COUNT'S BACK BROKEN BY FALL OVER A CLIFF

Body, Guarded by Faithful Dog, Found by a Party of Searchers.

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

Vienna, Jan. 17—A lantern-lit search through the passes of the Semmering mountains today ended with the discovery of the broken body of Count Bela Szechenyi, 17 years old, a relative of Count Lazzlo Szechenyi, Hungarian Minister to the United States, and by marriage related to the Vanderbilt family.

Searchers were summoned to the boy's body by the barking of his dog, which had been his only companion on a hiking expedition which began yesterday. Count Bela's back was broken by a 130 foot fall over a cliff. Count Bela's dog tried to bite the searchers as they approached his master's body. Count Bela was the son of Count Julius Szechenyi.

CAMPAIGN IN NOVA SCOTIA NEARING END

Antigonish, N. S., Jan. 16—The weather man, seemingly determined to make things as unpleasant as possible for political workers who are conducting the Antigonish-Guysboro by-election campaign, succeeded over the week end in bringing to a premature conclusion the stormy debate at Mulgrave Saturday morning, slush and highways with snow and slush and wound up the week with a dense fog.

Tonight the workers were hoping for a cold snap before Tuesday when the electors will go to the polls to choose a successor in the Federal Parliament, to the late Hon. J. C. Douglas.

A frost was proclaimed necessary to enable the voters to get over the roads. Neil R. McArthur, Conservative candidate who addressed 16 meetings during the week spent all Friday night until 8.30 Saturday morning on the road between Country Harbor and Antigonish travelling by motor car. He worked all day, travelling many miles and addressing two meetings. Returning to Antigonish last night from Tracadie he was a guest in the private car of Hon. Lucien Cannon solicitor-general, who with Major C. G. Power, of Quebec South, addressed meetings in that district in the interests of the Liberal candidate.

Hon. Mr. Cannon celebrated his 40th anniversary here today and received many callers. He left here tonight accompanied by Hon. P. J. Veniot, postmaster-general, the latter going to his home in New Brunswick, while Mr. Cannon returned to Ottawa.

Plans were concluded tonight for the final drive on the electors tomorrow. Conservatives will hold 20 meetings and the Liberals a similar number.

McAdam Will Probated.

In the estate of the late Frank B. Hay of McAdam letters of administration have been issued to Herbert E. Hay, brother of the deceased, before Judge H. G. Fenety of the York County Probate Court. C. L. Dougherty is proctor. The estate consists of \$2,500 real property and \$1,200 personal with \$2,000 life insurance in addition payable to the mother.

A thrill dies young. Regret lives on and on, to gray old age.

JAPAN READY TO DEFEND ITS LEGAL RIGHTS

Premier Sympathizes With China's Legitimate Aspirations.

**WILL ACT AS
CONCILIATOR**

Will Help Shape American and European Policies.

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

Tokio, Jan. 17—In an address before the eleventh hour of the annual meeting of Kenseikai political party of which he is the head, Premier Wakatsuki today sympathized with the legitimate aspirations of China but said Japan was prepared to defend its legal interests.

Japan, through consistent friendliness toward China, the premier said, is now in an excellent position to act as conciliator in present disputes and to shape American and European policies toward China. Japan, he said, is "dutifully read to do this."

BALANCE SHOWN AT ST. DUNSTAN'S FOR 25 YEARS

Financial Statement Presented by Very Rev. Dean Carney Sunday — Balance of \$1,700.

The twenty-fifth annual statement of the receipts and disbursements of St. Dunstan's Roman Catholic Parish, Fredericton, was presented Sunday at St. Dunstan's by the rector, Very Rev. F. L. Carney, V. G., Dean of the Diocese of Saint John. In making the statements Dean Carney remarked upon the credit balance of \$1,725 and stated that during his pastorate there had been a balance on the right side each year of the twenty-five.

Parochial Statistics.

The printed statement distributed to members of the congregation included the following statistics of the parish:—families 298; parishioners including 117 students, 1,462; communions 1,297; number of communions 30,111; number of confessions 11,633; sick calls 149; visits to sick 508; baptisms, infants 20, adults 1, total 21; marriages 6; deaths 22.

Missionary Effort.

Missionary effort is summarized as follows:—
Foreign Missions\$ 522.49
Home Missions, Collections\$248.84
Mass Stipends 511.00
759.84

The statement of receipts and expenditures is as follows:—

Receipts.
From Special Sources\$ 2,051.90
From Ordinary Sources 7,034.27
Rental of Church Properties 920.00
10,006.17
Disbursements.
Special\$ 2,994.39
Ordinary 4,105.14
Sanctuary Purposes 569.45
Sundry Expenses 612.05
759.84

Balance\$ 1,725.14

A NEW WORD

New York, Jan. 17—To "realitor" and "mortician" has been added the word "electragist." A West Thirteenth street electrical contractor has the word, as a title for himself, on his window in gold leaf lettering.

Bomb was Exploded In Front of Office of N. Y. Italian Consul

Door of Building Was Blown in and Slight Damage Resulted—Bomb Was Loaded With Metal Slugs—Nobody Was Injured But Caretaker and Family Given a Bad Scare.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

NEW YORK, Jan. 17—A bomb filled with metal slugs exploded today at the front door of the office of the Italian Consulate General.

No one was injured. The door of the building was blown in and slight damage was done.

Frank Munito, wife and four small children were asleep in the building and while jarred by the explosion and badly frightened, were not hurt.

Munito is caretaker at the Consulate. No consular officials were in the building which is used as an office.

4 CHILDREN LOSE THEIR LIVES IN TORONTO

Toronto, Jan. 16—Four children, the eldest only four years of age, were burned to death in their home on Pel-latt street, early today, when fire broke out in the absence of their parents.

The victims were: Matthew, 4; Josephine, 3; Loreen, 15 months, and Emmerson, two months, children of Mr. and Mrs. Augustine Geoffrey.

The house was a two-story frame and roughcast building, and it was wrecked. The fire is believed to have been caused by an overheated stove.

The parents were visiting friends a short distance away. Learning of the fire, they returned to the house, but the father was prevented from entering the doomed building by the police though he made several efforts.

Emmerson, the baby, was sleeping in a carriage not far from the kitchen stove, which is thought to have started the blaze. The three elder children were in bed upstairs. Firemen who entered the second story by ladders found one of the children under the bed, the two others dead in bed and the baby dead in its carriage.

The fire broke out about 1 o'clock this morning.

EX EMPRESS OF MEXICO IS VERY ILL

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

Berlin, Jan. 17—Charlotte, ex-Empress of Mexico, is critically ill and was not expected to live today.

A severe attack of heart disease has stricken the aged former Empress. Physicians announced at 9.50 a. m. today that she had little chance for recovery. Charlotte, who ruled over Mexico with maxmillian during the three turbulent years that ended in his assassination, has been in seclusion for many years troubled with mental illness.

AN M. P.'S DEATH.

Goderich, Ont., Jan. 16—John Warwick King, Progressive member of Parliament for North Huron, died at his home at Blue Vale from a sudden attack of heart trouble. He was in his 70th year. Mr. King was first elected to Parliament from North Huron in 1921 and was returned again in 1925 and 1926.

Dean Inge denies that he is a pessimist. They never admit it.

STATION WEAFF WILL SPEND BIG SUM IN 1927

New York, Jan. 17—The National Broadcasting Co. announced today that it would spend \$3,800,000 in the next 12 months to supply to radio fans entertainment of a character which will cost the listeners in throughout the country nothing.

In addition, \$1,500,000 will be spent for talent alone by commercial firms sponsoring programs over the company's hook-ups.

"The expenses for the year," said Merlin H. Aylesworth, president of the company, "will be greatly in excess of the receipts, and due to the fact that all broadcasting stations in the United States are operating at a loss, and because the public will not permit promiscuous 'plugging the trade' broadcasting, I expect to see many of the smaller stations among the 600 to 700 in the country gradually disappear as their owners' interests wane and the big deficits appear."

The company reaches by wire 80 per cent of the radio population of the United States and relays leading programs, by air, to the other 20 per cent.

SHAW'S PRAISE LIFTS DEAN INGE'S GLOOM

London, Jan. 17—George Bernard Shaw recently handed Dean Inge a literary bouquet which banished the gloom of that ecclesiastical dignitary for several days.

"I have a superior brain," said Shaw, leaning against the mantel-piece in the home of Lady Beecham while talking to dinner guests, "but there is the greatest living writer in England," and he pointed to Dean Inge sitting in a corner.

Shaw, instead of his famous tweeds, wore a neat black suit which the Duchess of Hamilton and the others agreed was most becoming.

N. Y. SOCIETY IS GROWING

New York, Jan. 17—New York society has grown three times as fast as the metropolis's population in the last four decades. The Social Register of 1887 comprised under 3000 names, against 30,000 in the issue just published. In the same period the city population grew from around 2,000,000 to 6,000,000.