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## MADE BIG PURCHASE OF LINEN FROM THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT

**Young English Business Man Has Bought Forty Million Yards at a Cost of Twenty Million Dollars—Stands to Clean Up a Good Thing on the Transaction—Offered a Higher Price Than Others Would Pay.**

London, July 9.—Leonard J. Martin, a young English business man, who deals in agricultural machinery, has bought for \$20,000,000 from the British government about forty million yards of linen which was intended for making airplanes. He knew nothing about linen, but bought it for speculation. Today his name and picture are featured in every British paper and editorial writers are pointing out that the enterprising young man won't have to go to new countries to find golden business opportunities. Martin is 37 years old and began his career, he says, with a capital of about \$500.

**WILL MAKE A PROFIT OF \$5,000,000, BUT MORE THAN HALF OF IT WILL GO TO THE GOVERNMENT**

"I bought over the heads of everybody else," he said in discussing the big deal, "simply by offering a higher price than anybody else would pay. This is a one-man deal. I am fascinated by the possibilities of the thing. I have never seen a proposition with as much scope in the markets of the world."

The stock of material Martin now controls represents three years' normal supply. He is reckoning on a profit of about five million dollars. Of that amount \$2,000,000 would go to the British treasury in excess profits and another \$1,250,000 in super-tax. The linen has been for sale by the government since January under an offer to sell to the general public in eighty yard lengths and one hundred yard bales, but only \$1,000 worth of it had been purchased under these conditions.

**THE BELFAST MILL OWNERS REFUSED TO ALLOW CONTRACTS TO BE CANCELLED AFTER WAR ENDED**

"Belfast people," said Martin, "imagined they had the stuff between their two fingers. A large part of this linen was actually manufactured after the armistice because the Belfast mill owners refused to allow their contracts to be cancelled."

"They went on making millions and millions of yards at 40 to 50 cents a yard. Then they offered the government seven cents a yard to take it back. Their price later went up to about 25 cents a yard, and it was still hoped, in view of the monopoly to sell it to the public at three shillings. They could have re-equipped all the mills in Ulster out of the profits. I have got the linen at about double the final Belfast offer."

## GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE FOR SLAYING GUARD

Winnipeg, July 9.—Accusations of "cruel and inhuman treatment of prisoners," of "assaults on convicts," and other irregularities were made against officials of the Manitoba penitentiary yesterday when Albert Johnston, alias Fishburn, a convict, took the stand in his own behalf in the assizes court, before which he was being tried on the charge of murdering Guard Anton Fladeby. Charles Carson, another convict, gave testimony along similar lines, and alleged that Deputy Warden John McLeod was accompanied on his rounds of the cells by a vicious dog which had on occasions bitten the witness. The line of defence was that Johnston killed Fladeby under grave provocation. Albert Johnston was sentenced to life imprisonment after being found guilty by the jury of manslaughter and causing the death of Anton Fladeby.

## DEMPESEY GETS A BIG OFFER

Cincinnati, July 9.—Jack Kearns, manager of the new heavyweight champion, Jack Dempsey, announced here last night that he had received a cablegram from Promoter Cochran, in Paris, offering Dempsey \$125,000 for a fight with the winner of the Georges Carpentier-John Beckett bout, which is scheduled to take place in England this month. Dempsey expects to accept the challenge, it was said, but objects to the one condition imposed by the promoter, which is that the fight be held abroad. Kearns said he would endeavor to bring the European champion to this country to meet Dempsey, either Carpentier or Beckett, but if he cannot, will consider Dempsey going to Europe to fight.

## SIR T. WHITE TO WITHDRAW FROM CABINET

Montreal, July 9.—A special despatch to the Gazette from Ottawa says the Prime Minister's problem of cabinet reorganization has been made much more difficult of solution by the decision of the Finance Minister, Sir Thomas White, to retire from political life. The Finance Minister finds that his private affairs make it necessary to give up a brilliant political career, one of splendid service during the past eight years, and a promise of even a more brilliant career in future. There is no difference of opinion on policy or administration between him and his colleagues, and it is only the strongest private reasons that have forced him to arrive at his decision. It is believed that much as he regrets the necessity of withdrawing, he believes that it is impossible for him to remain and that his tenure of office will only be until Sir Robert Borden can select his successor.

## PLAIN TALK FROM AN M. P.

Winnipeg, July 9.—"A man needs seventeen faces and a rubber neck to represent all classes of his constituents," was the statement made last night by Major C. W. Andrews, M. P. for Centre Winnipeg, whose experience at Ottawa has made him come to the conclusion that the proportional representation system of election should be adopted.

## PEACE HOLIDAY ON JULY 19TH

Ottawa, July 9.—Saturday, July 19, has been officially fixed as a public holiday for the celebration of peace. The date coincides with Peace Day throughout the Empire.

## ROBINSON'S CIRCUS BEST IN MANY YEARS

**Drew Big Attendance Both Afternoon and Night—Many Watched Show Get Away.**

The John Robinson's Circus left Fredericton for Woodstock last evening after giving a very fine show at The Flats yesterday. The performance in the afternoon was well attended, both the main show and the side show drawing a large crowd of spectators. The trapeze performers were remarkable defying death every time they performed. The Nelson family consisting of four generations received hearty applause for their work and the circus clowns and funny men drew much attention from old and young alike. During the intermissions between the acts of the various performers the circus clowns were the centre of interest. Their antics were indescribable and very mirth producing. The side shows presented varied amusements and the different attractions were well worth watching. About 11 p. m. the canvas was all rolled ready to be transported to the train. A new device for rolling it was used in place of the old method of rolling it by hand. The elephants and motor trucks were both in use to haul away the properties and the work of all was watched by a large crowd who collected on the river bank.

**Special Policemen**

Seven special policemen were sworn in for extra duties and these were kept busy watching the grounds for sharpers and keeping the crowds off the lawns on Waterloo Row. Several fights which promised to be lively were broken up by them, in the early morning hours and the participants who were numerous were allowed to go. The circus as a whole was a good one with its many attractions of animals and actors. Much praise was given for the splendid variety of horses present and for the fine equipment of the circus.

## PLACED ORDERS IN CANADA

London, July 9.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons, Col. Amery, under secretary for the colonies, admitted that South Africa had placed large railway orders with the United States and forty locomotives in Canada.

Mr. Charles H. Gilmore of Oromocto, is at the Queen Hotel. Even if one could go two miles above the earth, where it is said the air is icy cold, it would be hot coming down.

## DIRIGIBLE R-34 NOT LIKELY TO GET AWAY BEFORE TOMORROW

**Unfavorable East Wind Prevented a Start From Being Made Today—Ready To Take the Air as Soon as Conditions Are Favorable.**

Mineola, N. Y., July 9.—Again today unfavorable wind from the east prevented the giant dirigible from starting her return trip to England. British Officers in charge of the R-34, announced that there was no prospect that the big airship would get away before tomorrow. It was made clear, however, that the start would be made at daybreak tomorrow, or on Friday, for at that hour the maximum amount of gas was taken on in the gas bag. The airship is ready to sail into the air to the east any time that her Commander, Major G. H. Scott decides that weather reports of winds promise a successful return voyage. In the face of reports of winds in the east a condition unusual at sea at this time of year, Major Scott and his Navigating Officers considered it less of a hazard to remain in the open at Roosevelt Field than to risk disaster in a high wind over the Atlantic.

**CREW HAD NIGHT OFF**

The crew of the R-34 enjoyed a night off last night, but the six hundred men of the Army and Navy Aviation Units were held in nearby barracks to be called in case the big bag became unmanageable. Scarcely any wind was blowing early today and it was predicted that all danger of disaster from winds had passed.

Although Major Scott declared that the airship was ready to start at any time the weather reports were favorable, mechanics were busy again today inspecting the ship's engines and other machinery, already in perfect condition.

## Troop Train With N. B. Boys On Board Left the Rails

## TWO KILLED IN STRIKE RIOT IN ILLINOIS

Chicago, July 8.—Two men killed and nine wounded today in the riot at the plant of the Corn Products Refining Company of Argo, Ill., where approximately one thousand men walked out today demanding a closed shop. The trouble resulted when one shift had quit work and the men were being escorted to street cars by special policemen. Stones and clubs began to fly and shots were fired. The men injured and one of the slain were strikers. It was learned.

An official of the Company said the strikers were chiefly immigrants of the Bolshevik type.

Company officials said they had voluntarily increased wages July 1st and declared that no discrimination would be shown between Union and non-Union men.

## THE PRINCE COMING TO N. B. IN AUGUST

St. John, July 9.—His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales will arrive in St. John on Friday, August 15, and while in New Brunswick will be the guest of the province.

Word to this effect has been received by Premier Foster, but details of the arrangements for the Prince's visit have not yet been settled. Sir Joseph Pope will arrive from Ottawa in a few days for the purpose of completing the arrangements.

There are a few of the older citizens to whose memories the coming event will recall the visit of the Prince's grandfather, the late King Edward, when as Prince of Wales he was in St. John in 1860. Fresher in the minds of the citizens is the visit of his father, the present King, who came to the city as the Duke of York in 1901.

## GERMANS HAVE RATIFIED TREATY

Paris, July 9.—The German National Assembly in Weimar has passed the resolution ratifying the peace treaty, according to advices received here today.

The summer girl still manages to freeze on to the reckless youth who has a mania for squandering his money on ice cream.

## Bad Accident on the C. N. R. Near Thomson Station, N. S.—Military Special, Carrying Soldiers From the S. S. Olympic, was Derailed—Several St. John Men in the List of Injured—Accident was Due to a Broken Rail.

Halifax, N. S. July 9.—Three or four Soldiers were injured none seriously, it is stated, when a troop train from the Olympic left the rails early this morning forty one miles north of Truro. A broken rail, it is stated, caused the accident. Three cars left the rails.

Moncton, N. B., July 9.—The Fourth Military special from the Olympic at Halifax was derailed at about 1:30 a. m. at Atkinson's Siding, about four miles east of Thomson Station, some forty-eight miles west of Truro. It was the special containing the New Brunswick boys and comprised eight cars and a caboose. It was a charge of Conductor McDonald, of Truro.

## THREE CARS LEFT THE RAILS AND AFTER TEARING UP THE ROADBED WENT OVER AN EMBARKMENT

The engine, one baggage and two passenger coaches remained on the track, breaking away from the others. Three cars left the rails and toppled over the embankment. Two cars and the van also left the rails but did not topple over. The trucks were torn off the caboose and was held up by a telegraph pole. The roadbed was badly torn up for about three hundred yards. The train was going about 35 miles an hour. When the cars rolled over the kits fell on the Soldiers and the men and kits were all in one mixup. The men then escaped through some of the open windows.

Shortly afterwards they built fires alongside the track and kept themselves warm until help came.

## SIX NEW BRUNSWICK SOLDIERS GIVEN IN THE OFFICIAL LIST OF THOSE WHO WERE INJURED

The following is the official list of injured men from the military special from Olympus:

- Private J. L. Corbett, Pictou, N. S., left thigh injured.
- Private J. A. Leblanc, left side and back sprained.
- Private J. H. Cullinan, St. John, scalp wound.
- Private A. Long, Clair, N. B., scalp wound.
- Private E. L. MacPeake, St. John, fingers right hand cut.
- Private C. E. Harrington, St. John, slight cut forehead.
- Private I. Pendlebury, Haguac, N. B., slight cut about head and arm.

## THE CRIMEA REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN CLEARED OF THE BOLSHEVIKI

London, July 8.—The Crimea has been entirely cleared of Bolsheviks as a result of the advance of General Denekines troops west of the Dnieper River, according to a War Office statement issued tonight. The advance was over a front of seventy miles and deprived the Bolsheviks of their sole line of communication between their main forces and those in the Crimea.

General Denekines volunteers have met with great success on all parts of the front, the statement says. They have reached a point on the Caspian Coast 55 miles southwest of Astrakhan and another column is on the banks of the Volga, northwest of Tchernoi-Iar. In capturing Tsaritzin the Denekine forces took ten thousand prisoners and a quantity of guns, and, pursuing their advantage are now only 75 miles from Saratov. The volunteers have also pushed forty miles beyond Kharkov, having captured Ekaterinosk and Alexandrovsk.

## GREAT RACES AT CLEVELAND

Cleveland, Ohio, July 9.—The Ohio Stake, the premier trotting event of the 1919 Grand Circuit meeting at North Randall, was the head-liner on today's card of five races. Nine of the best trotters of the 208 class are entered and each is conceded by the expert horsemen to have a good chance at the winner's portion of the \$3,000 purse. Owing to the enormous number of entries in the 2.12 trot, that event has been divided into two sections. Eight are expected to start in each. Twelve are carded to start in the 2.16 trot.

## LEAVING FOR OLD COUNTRY

Ottawa, July 9.—Hon. A. K. MacLean, acting Minister of Trade and Commerce, leaves for England next week on departmental business. It is expected he will be absent about six weeks.

Mr. W. L. Stewart, of St. John, is at the Barker House.

## FOREST FIRES NEAR CALGARY

Calgary, July 9.—"There is absolutely no danger of the forest fire on the Upper Elbow River approaching alarmingly close to the city boundaries," said E. H. Sinlayson, Chief Forestry Ranger here last night.

Nevertheless it will require the combined efforts of fighters and reinforcements sent out to prevent the fire from crossing into the Sarcee Reserve. The eastern boundary of which is only seven miles from the city.

## PRESIDENT AT WASHINGTON

Washington, July 9.—President Wilson returned to Washington at midnight after an absence of four months at the Paris Peace Conference. He was accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, Miss Margaret Wilson and by Vice-President Marshall and most of the members of his cabinet, who greeted him on his arrival today at New York.