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SHIP OWNERS URGES DELAY

Think Time Has not Come for Protest on Panama Canal Bill

Lord Strathcona Depreciates Public Discussion of Question Pending Further Developments

London, Aug. 28—English ship owners are of the opinion that the time has not come for any concerted protest against the Panama Canal bill and that individual protests are useless. They regard the matter as one for government protests and rely on Sir Edward Grey to handle the matter to the best of their interests.

The general manager of the Harrison Line said today: "We regret the President's step, of course, but we hardly see what we can do. The situation will probably adjust itself but I think that any protest must be a matter for the government and not for individual ship owners."

St. Petersburg, Aug. 28—Commenting on the Panama Canal question, the Novice Vremia concludes its article as follows:

"Such is the value of the word passed by the Great American republic. Russia is not directly interested and it does not lie with us to protest but we have the right and regard it as an obligation to point out how Americans deal with international treaties."

London, Aug. 28—Lord Strathcona, high commissioner for Canada in an interview regarding the Panama Canal Bill, controversy, said he deprecated public discussion of the question pending further developments. He declared, however, that if discriminating provisions in favor of American Coastwise shipping came into operation, it would seriously hamper the overseas trade of the foreign nations.

"We regard it as absolutely wrong," Lord Strathcona said, "that this interpretation should have been put upon the treaty. Doubtless the foreign office will put the matter before the United States in its pro-light, and we have the assurance that a very large body of American opinion is dissatisfied with Government's position."

KERR HARDY DISCUSSED WAR SCARE

New York, Aug. 28—Kerr Hardy, socialist, member of the British commons, who is here attending the wedding of his son interviewed on the subject of a war between England and Germany said:

"I don't believe there is any possibility unless those who are fomenting the war scare overdo themselves. The only ones who really are talking are the iron masters, contractors and service men in the army and navy. The working men are greatly interested in opposing war now we are working hard to get the working classes in Great Britain and Germany to enter an agreement of war war should ever be declared between these countries to declare a general strike. That is we want all engaged in steel and iron industries, transport workers, etc., to quit work at once. This matter will come up in the next international socialistic congress."

BENEDICT FAMILY REUNION

London, N. Y., Aug. 28—The eleventh annual reunion of the Benedict family, comprising the descendants of Thomas Benedict, who came over from England in the early part of the seventeenth century and was one of the founders of Danbury, Conn., was held today at Grove Park in this city. Many members of the family association were in attendance, including several from distant places.

BECKER CLAIMS HE IS THE VICTIM OF A PLOT

His Counsel Was Able to Procure a Stay in the Proceedings Until September 3--"Bald" Jack Rose and His Pals Blamed For the Murder of Rosenthal--Wanted Revenge on Lieutenant Becker for His Activities Against Them

New York, Aug. 27—John F. McIntyre, counsel for Police Lieutenant Charles Becker, indicted for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, today obtained a delay in the case until September 3 by serving a writ staying the proceedings. The writ was served this morning on Assistant District Attorney Ruben and Judge Mulqueen of the court of general sessions, before whom Becker was to have been arraigned today for pleading, but his counsel obtained an adjournment until today. Today, still professing not to be ready to go on, Mr. McIntyre obtained the writ on the ground that he needed more time to make any motions he might deem necessary.

"VICTIM OF PLOT"

Becker's lawyer, it is learned, expects to show that he was the victim of a gambler's plot, headed by "Bald Jack" Rose, and the men who have supported Rose's "confession." Rose and these men, counsel will assert, all have sufficient reason to seek revenge on Becker for his activities against them. It will be alleged further by counsel that a plot to murder Rosenthal was conceived three months before he was actually killed but the plan was abandoned at the instance of certain East Side gamblers. It will be contended that Rosenthal was offered \$10,000 to go to Canada but that when he demanded \$25,000 it was decided to make away with him.

James E. March, Republican leader in the third assembly district, announced today that he would appear as witness for the defence in the trial of Lieutenant Charles Becker. March's testimony will have to do with the bank accounts of Becker which, according to March, were made in speculation in Wall Street. The politicians say that he has the documents to prove that Becker made his money in this way and not, as has been charged, by blackmailing disorderly houses and gambling resorts. March says that he and Becker were together in the Wall Street ventures. He put up the capital for all of them, he said, but Becker shared in the winnings.

Evidence is expected to be presented to show that it was in the execution of this plan that one of the gangsters who had been secured to take part in the kidnapping took matters into his own hands, told his pals he was going to "plug the aqualard" anyway and was the man who actually did the shooting when Rosenthal appeared in front of the Hotel Metropolitan in the early morning of July 16. "Jack" Sullivan (Jacob Reich) is said to have recently come into possession of some important and sensational documentary evidence bearing upon Becker's defence. The nature of the evidence was not disclosed. Sullivan, though charged as an accomplice may be a witness for Becker, it was said, as the defence expects to be able to corroborate his testimony by other witnesses. Sullivan is expected to testify that he merely acted as a stool pigeon for Becker, and to discredit parts of "Bald Jack" Rose's story which implicate Becker in the murder of Rosenthal.

WHY BECKER IS SILENT

Explaining why counsel had had nothing to say for Becker to the public in the face of the cumulating charges which have been made against him during the developments of the Rosenthal case, it was pointed out that the subject of graft had overshadowed the real issue of homicide in the case. It was made plain that the defence was against a charge of murder, and that Becker's lawyers were not retained to defend him against allegations of extortion or graft of which he has not yet been officially charged.

What Becker may know or later divulge in regard to the police graft from gambling and disorderly houses is of little concern to his lawyers at the present time it is said. They had been retained to defend him solely on the charge of murder and were devoting all their efforts to that end it was pointed out.

"We are concerned solely with the defense of Becker on the charge of

murder," said one of his lawyers. "Like any other citizen charged with crime, he is entitled to the presumption of innocence until found guilty by a fair and impartial jury of his peers."

"There has been no call to speak for Becker, as any explanation of the charges material to the issue in the case would fall on deaf ears. The real issue involved—the charge that he is the instigator of the murder of Rosenthal—has been bogged by the irrelevant charges of police graft that have been made indiscriminately."

"It has been better policy to say nothing until the tide turns as it is bound to do. When the proper time comes we will strike where the blow will tell most and reveal a plot of the underworld of which Becker had no knowledge, which transcends anything found in the Italian Camorra. Instead of being the instigator of the murder as is now charged, we will show that he knew no more about the killing of Herman Rosenthal than the average citizen on the street."

REVENGE ON BECKER

"We expect to prove that some of the meanest and lowest members of the gambling fraternity have banded their efforts to drag Becker, who has been their worst enemy, into the snare of a foul murder plot, which was conceived and executed by these same men in a spirit of class hatred and revenge on this man Rosenthal, who threatened the structure of their crafty livelihood through an inordinate ambition to act as informer and boast of power and influence with the police which he never had."

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MONGOLIANS CAPTURE A CITY

St. Petersburg, Aug. 28—Mongolians have captured the city of Kobdo in western Mongolia. The Chinese soldiers composing the garrison begged the Russian Consulate to provide them with a safe conduct to China.

London, Aug. 28—The Chinese government will send an ultimatum to the Khan of Urga, the correspondent at Peking of the Daily Telegraph, understands calling on him either to withdraw his declaration of Mongolian independence or take consequences.

The situation at Tsaoanfu Manchuria, the correspondent declares, is grave. The troops, who are out numbered by the insurgents, have been compelled to retreat, though fighting continues. The town of Ching-an-Hsien has been occupied by the rebels.

ALLOWED TO GO ON SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Kingston, Aug. 28—Harold G. Arthur was arraigned before Judge Price in chambers this morning on a charge of embezzling the sum of \$3,507 from the Merchant's Bank, where he was employed as teller, pleaded guilty and was allowed to go on suspended sentence. W. F. Nickle M. P. appeared on his behalf. It is understood that relatives of the young man have made good the loss to the bank.

Arthur was given a speedy trial. He surrendered in Montreal Monday was brought to Kingston last night, given his preliminary hearing before magistrate Farrell on Tuesday afternoon, committed for trial and then before the judge this morning.

MEETING OF IOWA FLORISTS

Des Moines, Aug. 28—The tenth annual meeting of the Society of Iowa Florists began in this city today with an attendance of members from many parts of the State.

MANY PEOPLE HOMELESS

Much damaged done by Floods in Sections of England

The City of Norwich is Under Water and People are Going About in Boats

London, Aug. 28—Rain which has been deluging the United Kingdom almost constantly since the beginning of the month, ceased in most parts of the country today, and the outlook generally is fairer. The plight of Norwich however, has become worse, the rapid rise of the Wensum having compelled hundreds of inhabitants to forsake their dwellings and to seek refuge in the higher parts of the city where they temporarily are being accommodated in the schools.

A telephone message received from Norwich early this morning, says it is estimated that 7,000 people have been driven from their homes by the floods. The water has risen in some parts of the city to thirteen feet. Police in boats provided with ladders are constantly patrolling the flooded districts for rescue work.

The authorities are doing their best to provide food for the homeless people. Many animals have been drowned by the floods. The streets presented a weird appearance last night the only light being those of torches. Fire brigades are busy pumping the water from the electric and other works.

Fears of a famine in drinking water are held as the machinery in the water works is flooded and useless.

Even the precincts of the Cathedral are under water. Towse church, has three feet of water in the nave and some of the grave stones have been swept away.

The viaduct carrying the railway between Flordon and Ercott a few miles outside of Norwich has been destroyed and the railroad has been swept away for a distance of five miles from Norwich to Brindall.

In Monday's hurricane, one train from Yarmouth to Norwich took seven hours to make a distance of twenty-five miles.

Queen Mother Alexandra and Princess Victoria on board a Royal Yacht are storm bound in the South-west Bay, on the Suffolk Coast. The Yacht which is attended by the cruiser Liverpool does not dare to venture across the North Sea. Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the Admiralty, enroute to the River Tyne is similarly weatherbound on board an admiralty Yacht an Grimsby.

Many travellers are stranded in many parts of Norfolk and Suffolk and holiday makers are unable to reach their homes. A steam herring drifter returning to Lowestoft, was caught in Monday's hurricane and has not been seen since. It is feared the vessel foundered with all hands.

CONTRACTORS LOOK FOR GIGANTIC STRIKE

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 28—Contractors who have been carefully investigating the situation are looking for another big strike of the industrial workers of the world to occur just before Christmas. The great Northern, Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Pacific all have large numbers of men engaged in constructing in various parts of British Columbia, and the plan is to let loose seven or eight thousand of these during the cold months. President Chamberlain of the Grand Trunk Pacific, was in Vancouver today complaining bitterly of the lack of labor in this province. He said that his company could use 2,000 more men at once and added that if they could not get more there would be a long delay in the completion of his transcontinental line.

SANTA FE RACING CIRCUIT

Las Animas, Colo., Aug. 28—A three days' trotting meeting was meeting was opened here today to inaugurate the newly organized Santa Fe Racing Circuit. The circuit season will continue until the first week of October and will include meetings in Rocky Ford, Canon City, Trinidad and Clayton, N. M.

SUFFRAGETTES INTERVIEW CANADA'S PRIME MINISTER

Delegation From Women's Social and Political Union Met Mr. Borden in London--Were Told by the Premier That He had no Power to Give Women the Franchise in Canada--Employment of Militant Modes would not Affect Him

London, Aug. 28—The Canadian premier, Hon. Robert L. Borden, as he faced the suffragettes for the first time today, took a firm stand. He told them very emphatically that he had no power to introduce a general measure of suffrage for women in the Dominion of Canada and that no threats of the employment of militant methods would have any influence on him. The delegation of the Women's Social and Political Union was introduced by Miss Barratt. She stated that their chief object was to ask Mr. Borden if he intended, on his return to Canada, to introduce a government measure for the enfranchisement of women.

She mentioned the Canadian home-stead law as an instance in which great injustice had been done to women but remarked that then if the laws were right women would still want to vote.

She stated further that the Women's Social and Political Union was considering a campaign to advise intending emigrants to go to Australia and New Zealand, rather than to Canada.

On Mr. Borden's reply, she said, would depend the advice the Women's Social and Political Union gave its Canadian members and also the

possibility of a militant agitation in Canada.

London, Aug. 28—Mr. Borden later in the day received a deputation of members of the Anti-Suffragette League, which congratulated him on holding his ground against the Women's Social and Political Union. Mr. Borden said he had no complaint to make against the presentation of the case of the Women's Social and Political Union, except the suggestion implying a threat of the introduction into Canada of militant tactics.

Mr. Borden in his reply, was very explicit in stating that he had no power and no intention whatever of introducing into the Dominion parliament a measure for the enfranchisement of women. The question of the franchise, he said, developed entirely on the nine provincial legislatures and the Dominion parliament had no warrant to pass such legislation.

Mr. Borden concluded:

"I should like to say with all respect that I think the Canadian women are sufficiently capable and intelligent to judge for themselves in this matter. No suggestion of the employment of methods of any kind will have the slightest influence."

PRIZE WINNERS FOR PHYSICAL TRAINING IN SCHOOLS

Capt. F. A. Good, secretary of the local committee, announces that the awards have been made in the New Brunswick Strathcona Trust for Physical Training. Following is a list of prizes from the report of the school inspectors:

District No. 1, G. W. Mersereau, M. A., Inspector.

Graded—1st prize, Miss Tezzie Galivan, Chatham; 2nd prize, Harry L. Paget, Loggieville.

Rural—1st prize, Miss Helen T. Wells, Bloomfield Ridge; 2nd prize, Miss Annie Sansom, Cross Creek.

Semi-rural—1st prize, Miss Helena Flett, Millerton; 2nd prize, Miss Bessie A. Kelly, Stanley.

District No. 2, J. F. Doucet, Inspector.

Graded—1st prize, C. H. Harrison, M. A., Bathurst; 2nd prize, Jas. McIntosh, Bathurst Village.

Rural—1st prize, Miss Adele Pitre, Bathurst Village; 2nd prize, Miss Nalids Ringette, Baker Lake.

Semi-rural—1st prize, Jos. S. Savoie, Shippegan; 2nd prize, Miss Edith Nachev Bathurst.

District No. 3, C. D. Herbert, M. A., Inspector.

Graded—1st prize, R. P. Steeves, Richibucto; 2nd prize, Miss Jessie McDougall, Shadiac.

Rural—1st prize, Miss Flora Atkinson, Ford's Mills; 2nd prize, Miss Nellie Wilson, West Galloway.

Semi-rural—1st prize, Miss Luck Richard, Legere's Corner; 2nd prize Hypolite Legere, Pre d'en Haut.

District No. 4, A. O'Brien, M. A., Inspector.

Graded—1st prize, Sister Loretto, Moncton; 2nd prize, Miss Agnes Alward, Dorchester.

Rural—1st prize, Miss Bernice Kay, Middlesex; 2nd prize, Irvins Rouse, Corn Hill.

Semi-rural—1st prize, J. M. Dixon, Hopewell Cape; 2nd prize, Miss Helen Jonah, Penobscus.

District No. 5, R. P. Steeves, M. A., Inspector.

Graded—1st prize Miss Muriel DeMille, Hampton; 2nd prize, M. G. Fox, Chipman.

Rural—1st prize, Miss Margaret Law, Carter's Point; 2nd prize Miss May Watson, Moss Glen.

Semi-rural—1st prize, Miss May Saunders, Kingston; C. T. Wetmore, Kingston.

District No. 6, W. M. McLean, M. A., Inspector.

Graded—1st prize Miss M. E.

Douglerty, St. John; Miss Florence Osborne, Milltown.

Rural—1st prize, Miss Helen L. Watt, Upper Mills; Miss Emma Kirkpatrick, Maces Bay.

Semi-rural—1st prize, F. G. Lawson, North Head, Grand Manan; 2nd prize, Miss Mary Mitchell, Welch, Welchpool.

District No. 7, R. D. Hanson, B. A., Inspector.

Graded—1st prize, W. M. Burns, Gibson; 2nd prize, Miss Sarah Thompson, Fredericton.

Rural—1st prize, Miss Agnes Cuihach Smith's Corner; 2nd prize, Miss Florence Moniss, DeWolfe.

Semi-rural—1st prize, H. L. Logan, Moore's Mills.

District No. 7, F. B. Mcagher, M. A., Inspector.

Graded—1st prize, I. M. Draper, Woodstock; 2nd prize, Miss Bertha E. Chase, McAdam.

Rural—1st prize, Miss Bertha McAllister, Meductic; 2nd prize, Miss Ruth Harper, Victoria.

Semi-rural—1st prize, R. S. Gregg, Canterbury; 2nd prize, Miss Annie Rice, Benton.

Each first is one of \$12, and each second prize is \$6. Each winner is entitled to two-thirds of the prize, the other third is to be expended for some trophy or apparatus for the school in which it was won.

'KICKERS' MEETING AT THE D. R. A.

Ottawa, Aug. 28—The usual kickers meeting in connection with the D.R.A. met, held last night, with Col. Tilton, chairman of the executive of the Dominion Rifle Association in the chair. Col. Burland, the new president of the Association, was present for the first time in his official capacity. He urged those present to play the game fair for the interest of the whole Association.

Capt. Mercer, Toronto, moved for more money on the prize list, but Major Sutherland, treasurer, pointed out that although the prize list went up every year, the association came out with a deficit. Lieut. Mortimer, of Bisleys fame urged that a smaller "bull" and a central as issued at Bisleys, be inaugurated next meet. Others objected to this.

MR. HAZEN INTERVIEWED

Minister of Marine Says Naval Mission Has Been A Success

Deliberations Will Take Place Before The Cabinet as Soon as Premier Borden Returns

Montreal, Aug. 28—A special to the Gazette from the steamship Royal Edward, by wireless via Fame Point, says: "Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, who is on board, returning from London, states that the naval mission has been successful. He is bringing complete information with him, and as soon as Mr. Borden arrives, deliberations will take place before the full cabinet."

Mr. Hazen says that he is hopeful of a satisfactory solution and feels that the Canadian ministers now thoroughly understand the views of responsible British authorities.

Mr. Hazen declined to state whether or not the emergency of the situation had been proven to the Canadian ministers.

He says that the English people were greatly impressed with Mr. Borden's personality and that in this respect he excelled any previous Canadian visitor.

France, the Minister of Marine declared, views favorably the idea of British Colonies strengthening land defences for the preservation of trade routes and that the French would welcome this gratifying evidence of the British entente.

Mr. Hazen is well after his strenuous experience and with his wife will land at Quebec, proceeding from thence to St. John, N. B.

FRENCH OFFICERS ARE HELD AS HOSTAGES

Paris, Aug. 28—Public anxiety was intensified this morning over the fate of the French officers held as hostages by the Moors at Marakesh Morocco.

Emissaries have been dispatched to Marakesh by the French commander but have obtained no information.

General Lyauter, the French resident governor reported to the foreign office today that the volunteers who had undertaken the dangerous duty had returned from El Hilbas headquarters where they had vainly tried to effect a ransom and could not ascertain the lot of the prisoners.

The French column commanded by Col. Mangin has been given full liberty of action, to proceed to the succor of the hostages if such a step should be thought advisable.

The French troops, however, are too fully occupied to do anything in that way as they have their hands full in blocking the progress of the Moorish pretenders forces towards Fez and Maxagan.

Profound indignation has been aroused throughout France by the report that the Spaniards had given assistance to El Hilbas, whom it was alleged they had supplied with arms. The French government has demanded official reports on the subject from its representatives in Morocco.

FAVORABLE WEATHER FOR HARVESTING CROPS

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 28—The slow cool, ripening weather is undoubtedly making towards very high grades and the crop should be exceedingly profitable to western farmers, providing the three dangers threatening its successful making can be overcome. These are early frosts, shortage of binder twine and shortage of laborers. Of the three the latter just now presents the most serious aspect. There appears to be a total absence of loss from frost up to date and very little from hail, rust or other causes. In all districts heard from cutting has commenced under the most auspicious conditions, the percentage cut ranging from five per cent. in the east to twenty per cent. in the north and as high as fifty per cent. in the south.