

PLOT TO KILL KING EDWARD

Sensational Story of Its Discovery Afloat in London.

CORONATION MAY BE A FIASCO

London Authorities Urged to Take Steps to Prevent Its Failure Before It Is Too Late—Decorations Almost Ruined by Rain.

London, June 18.—A sensational story is current in London of the discovery of a plot to assassinate King Edward. This story has created considerable discussion in newspaper and other circles, but it is lacking in anything like official confirmation. According to the current report King Edward's sudden illness at Aldershot was not due to a cold, but was merely an excuse for withdrawing his majesty from public functions owing to the discovery by Scotland Yard of a plot against his life. The principals in this plot have not yet been arrested. It is cited in confirmation of this story that King Edward's recovery when he was ensconced at Windsor castle was as complete as his attack had been sudden.

London, June 18.—The coronation as a public spectacle threatens to be a fiasco. So serious and imminent has this possibility become that the London Times and other papers are printing alarmist letters urging the authorities to take steps to prevent its failure before it is too late. The capacity of the hotel keepers and the greed of the seat speculators are the reasons. With scarcely more than a week before the coronation not 50 per cent of the seats on the huge stands have been sold. Thousands of people residing in the suburbs and country who had planned to come and see the king crowned, now have decided to stay away, while a large proportion of Londoners will avail themselves of the opportunity to enjoy a holiday elsewhere in preference to submitting to the inconvenience of the extraordinary police regulations on coronation day. It is said that unless the standard proprietors admit the public in a body and practically gratis, the king will pass his coronation through an array of half filled benches.

The published police regulations, wherein all traffic within about a mile of the first day's route is to be stopped at 3 a. m. and pedestrians at 8 a. m., convey a faint inkling of what are termed the remarkable indignities London will be submitted to.

A survey of the streets as they are today could alone convey an idea of the extent to which the authorities intend to go. Solid timber barricades twenty to thirty feet high rise at the entrances of all streets and alleys leading anywhere near the route.

What will happen to the unfortunate general public is a question which has caused many of these protests in the papers. In the first place, even ticket holders must all sleep in London on coronation eve and get out on the streets at about 5 a. m. According to the present arrangements only ticket holders will be allowed through the barriers. Another factor which adds to the general disgruntlement is the bedraggled appearance of the decorations, which are almost ruined by rain.

Guarding Against Anarchists.

London, June 18.—In a dispatch from Geneva, Switzerland, the correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says the continental police are co-operating with the English police to prevent anarchists and evil-doers from smuggling themselves into England while the coronation festivities are in progress. Numerous anarchists have recently disappeared from Zurich and Geneva, says the correspondent, and they are supposed to be waiting in Paris for a favorable opportunity to cross the channel.

Milwaukee Strike Ends.

Sioux City, June 18.—The strike of the employes of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad shops here was settled yesterday, after a conference lasting all afternoon. The officials agreed to grant the demands of the strikers, giving them an advance of 20 cents per day. The skilled men will now receive \$2.90 for ten hours' work instead of \$2.70. The strike lasted two days.

Burlington Takes Control.

St. Joseph, June 18.—General Manager Holdrege of the Burlington railroad, with a large party of officials, arrived here from Omaha yesterday and informed General Manager Raymond Dupuy they had come to inspect the books and take over the property of the Kansas City and Omaha road, the formal transfer to be made June 30.

Pickett-Ryan Wedding.

Louisville, June 18.—Charles A. Pickett of Waterloo, Ia., grand exalted ruler of the Elks, and Miss India Parmelee Ryan, formerly of Des Moines, Ia., but now of this city, were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Ryan, here yesterday afternoon.

Children's Home Society Meets.

Sioux Falls, S. D., June 18.—The annual convention of the National Children's Home society will be called to order in this city today for a session lasting two days. There are twenty-five states which have children's home societies.

King Edward Takes Drive.

London, June 18.—The king drove out in a closed carriage yesterday afternoon. He appeared to be in good health.

MAYOR ACCUSED OF BRIBERY.

Albert A. Ames of Minneapolis is indicted by the Grand Jury.

Minneapolis, June 18.—Sensations came thick and fast in the police bribery cases yesterday. When it came time to open up the trial of Christopher Norbeck, detective, for bribery, W. W. Erwin, his attorney, rose and confessed that he did not know the whereabouts of his client. The disappearance of the accused caused great excitement and a bench warrant will be issued for him. His bail bond for \$5,000 was signed by R. J. Hill and Brando Sodini.

Another sensation developed when it became known that Albert A. Ames, mayor of Minneapolis, had been indicted by the grand jury for offering a bribe. The charge is that the mayor endeavored to have his secretary, Thomas R. Brown, appointed sheriff by the county commissioners. In attempting to carry out this plan he is alleged to have offered to so arrange matters that the \$20,000 annual income of the sheriff's office should be divided equally between Brown and the three county commissioners who were to vote for him, forming a majority of the board. The evidence to this effect was given before the grand jury by County Commissioner M. W. Nash and Ed Sweet.

STREET DUEL IN OKLAHOMA.

Quarrel Over Land Claim Results in Fatal Shooting Affray.

Oklahoma City, Okla., June 18.—E. W. Johnson, vice president of the Classen Real Estate company, and who served through the Cuban campaign with the rough riders, was shot and killed here yesterday by W. T. McMichael as a result of a contest over a land claim. Before he died Johnson shot and fatally wounded McMichael. E. E. Brown, editor of the Times-Journal, one of the oldest newspapers in the territory, fired five shots at McMichael in defense of Johnson, but none took effect. Brown and McMichael were arrested. There was talk of lynching McMichael until it was learned that his wound was fatal.

Fate of Steamer Huronian.

Montreal, June 18.—A letter received here from Stillwell Parker of Headship Harbor, N. S., states that on June 2 a bottle was picked up forty-five miles east of Halifax containing the following note, written on a scrap of paper: "Steamer Huronian turned over Sunday night in Atlantic. In small boat, fourteen of us." The Allan liner Huronian, bound from Glasgow for St. John, sailed from the former port in February and nothing up to this time has been heard of her.

Move to End Denver Strike.

Denver, June 18.—The Building Trades council yesterday decided to comply with the request of the contractors' association that the relations of the members of the two organizations be submitted to arbitration. It is expected this will end the strike, which has kept 4,000 men idle and paralyzed the building industry in Denver for the past four weeks. It is understood that work will be resumed today pending arbitration.

Rockefeller Gives \$750,000.

Chicago, June 18.—Three-quarters of a million dollars is the amount John D. Rockefeller has donated to the University of Chicago since President Harper last made the announcement of a gift from the oil king. Dr. Harper announced the last gift in his quarterly statement yesterday. Other friends of the university have given a scattering \$12,000 during the year.

Strike at Muscatine.

Muscatine, Ia., June 18.—In obedience to orders from the Chicago unions, the employes of the box factories of the South Muscatine Lumber company struck yesterday. The trouble was caused by orders from the big packing companies. The manager for the company said the factory would be moved to St. Louis.

Four Killed by Lightning.

Sherman, Tex., June 18.—Four men were struck by lightning and killed twelve miles southeast of here yesterday. The dead: William Coleman, Henry Conway, George Bratcher, J. Bratcher. The men were picking potatoes on the Coleman farm when stricken and their bodies were found close together.

American Institute of Homeopathy.

Cleveland, June 18.—The fifty-eighth annual convention of the American Institute of Homeopathy began in this city last night. A thousand physicians of that school will attend the lectures and clinics to be held during the remaining days of the meeting.

Denver Postoffice Robbed.

Denver, June 18.—The registry department of the Denver postoffice was robbed some time last night. Thirty registered letters are missing, but nothing is known of the value of their contents. The government will pay only \$10 for each letter lost.

In Hot Pursuit of Convicts.

Vancouver, Wash., June 18.—Tracy and Merrill, the escaped convicts, stole two horses yesterday afternoon and started toward LaCeter, this county. A mounted posse is in hot pursuit.

Earthquake Shock at Chilpancingo.

Mexico City, June 18.—An earthquake shock, lasting twenty seconds, was felt yesterday at Chilpancingo about noon. No damage was done, but great terror prevailed.

Gould Named for Governor.

Bangor, Me., June 18.—The Democratic convention nominated Hon. S. W. Gould for governor.

AGREE TO SPOONER BILL

Conference of Republican Senators is Called.

TO CONSIDER CUBAN MATTER

Beet Sugar Men Hope to Defeat Reciprocity Measure and Claim Conference Decision Will Be Adverse to Sugar Duty Cut.

Washington, June 18.—The Republican members of the senate committee on Cuban relations yesterday finally agreed to accept the Spooner bill, providing for reciprocity with Cuba, and decided to ask that a conference of Republican senators be called for tonight to consider its terms.

The beet sugar men have been so much encouraged by recent occurrences that many of them claim that the conference decision will be adverse to any legislation whatever in the interest of Cuba. They still claim twenty Republicans who will oppose an effort at legislation on the floor of the senate and they assert that there are many others of the colleagues who are in sympathy with them and will so express themselves in the privacy of the conference room.

The friends of the measure, however, say there can be no doubt that the conference will pronounce for the Spooner bill and that it will be reported to the senate by the committee having it in charge.

Senators Elkins, Burrows, Dietrich and Foraker called at the white house yesterday and discussed Cuban reciprocity with the president. The attitude of the president now is regarded more as that of a listener than an advisor, he having expressed himself in his special message as to the duty of citizens toward Cuba. Senator Elkins remarked at the white house that congress would adjourn without action of any kind on Cuban reciprocity.

Senator Foraker, on the other hand, predicted that some sort of an agreement would be reached before long.

AMENDS BANKRUPTCY BILL.

House Passes Measure Reported From Judiciary Committee.

Washington, June 18.—The house spent yesterday considering bills reported from the judiciary committee. By far the most important measure was that to amend the existing bankruptcy law. The minority made a vigorous effort to repeal the present law in toto, but was overwhelmingly defeated—65 to 137. The bill passed amends the law in fifteen particulars to meet defects which, it is said, experience has proven. The most important amendment is to define preference to meet the supreme court decision in the case of Pirie vs. the Chicago Title and Trust company. Four additional grounds for refusing a discharge in bankruptcy are also added: First, obtaining property on credit on materially false statements; second, making a fraudulent transfer of property; third, having been granted or denied a discharge in bankruptcy within six years, and fourth, having refused to obey the order of the court or refusal to answer material questions approved by the court.

Debate on Isthmian Canal.

Washington, June 18.—Throughout yesterday's session of the senate the Isthmian canal question was under consideration. Speeches were delivered by Perkins, Gallinger, Stewart, and Morgan. All advocated the adoption of the Nicaragua route, except Gallinger, who made a forceful argument in support of the Panama route and who said his investigations convinced him that the Panama route was the more healthful of the two. The arguments of the senators in support of the Nicaragua route were especially on the ground of feasibility and wisdom. Stewart and Morgan both contended that the health conditions in Nicaragua were superior to those in Panama.

Lemly Goes on Retired List.

Washington, June 18.—The navy department today issued the formal order placing Samuel Lemly, judge advocate general of the navy, on the retired list. The question as to whether Captain Lemly retires with the rank and pay of captain, which he holds as chief law officer of the navy department, or with the rank and pay of lieutenant commander, his lineal standing, is left open, and in the natural course of events will come up before the comptroller of the treasury. For the present Captain Lemly will continue in his capacity as judge advocate general of the navy.

General Baird Retired.

Washington, June 18.—Brigadier General Charles Baird was retired yesterday. He rendered splendid service in the civil war, being brevetted four times and taking part in a great many of the most important engagements. The outbreak of the Spanish war found him in charge of the army transport service, which was in a large part his own creation and which he brought to a high standard of efficiency.

Justice Waterman Resigns.

Des Moines, June 18.—Justice Charles M. Waterman, for four years a member of the supreme bench of Iowa, yesterday tendered his resignation to Governor Cummins, to take effect July 1. He forms a law partnership with ex-Congressman Joe R. Lane at Davenport. He served on the district bench at Davenport for ten years.

GOVERNMENT IS TOTTERING.

Overthrow of President Castro of Venezuela Seem Almost Certain.

New York, June 18.—A Herald dispatch says that, owing to the news of the exodus of a large number of President Castro's supporters from Venezuela, coupled with recent defeats suffered by the government, the revolutionists are hopeful of overthrowing Castro in the ensuing month.

Four hundred government troops who landed at Soro for the purpose of retaking Quitra were completely defeated by General Corcega. The government lost seventy killed and many wounded, besides 150 men taken prisoners.

General Matos' army, which is marching on Caracas, has reached Carinas, en route to Guario, where reinforcements are awaiting the revolutionary leader. The Barquisimeto district is almost entirely in the possession of the insurgents. General Alexander Ducharme is marching from Maturin with a large force to strengthen Ciudad Bolivar, which is still in the hands of the revolutionists. General Ayala, with 700 men in Coro, has been besieged by General Riera. The overthrow of the Colombian revolution seems to be complete.

WALLER MAKES DENIAL.

Statements in San Francisco Newspapers Not Authorized by Him.

Washington, June 18.—As has been the custom in the case of every officer of the navy to whom have been attributed utterances which the navy department considered outside the pale of discretion, Major Waller of the marine corps, who recently returned from the Philippines, has received an inquiry from the secretary of the navy as to whether the published statements concerning the campaign in Samar were authorized by him. Major Waller has replied that when pressed for interviews by press representatives he declined to oblige them. This explanation, it is understood, is satisfactory to the officials and it is stated at the navy department that the case is regarded as closed.

SIXTEEN THOUSAND BOERS.

That is About Number Who Made War Against the British.

London, June 18.—Under date of June 17 Lord Kitchener announces that 700 Boers surrendered at Bloemfontein and all the surrenders in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony are now complete. In the Transvaal 1,225 men surrendered and 10,813 rifles were given up, while in the Orange River Colony 5,295 men surrendered and 5,280 rifles were turned in. The figures for Cape Colony have not been fully received. Lord Kitchener concludes as follows: "I have handed over the South African constabulary to the civil authorities, as the necessity for further military operations has ceased."

Washings Ordered to LaGuayra.

Washington, June 18.—The Cincinnati and Topeka have been ordered to LaGuayra. From cable and mail advices received from a reliable source here and used for the conclusion of the cabinet at yesterday's sessions, it appears very probable that the Topeka, because of her light draft will proceed from LaGuayra up the Orinoco river, where steamships of a big commercial company are practically in a state of blockade, owing to the activity of the revolutionists in that quarter. The advices also say that General Matos, the leading spirit in the revolution, is marching on Caracas with a force of nearly 7,000 men and that all indications point to the overthrow of the Castro administration in a short time.

Baseball Scores Yesterday.

National League—Philadelphia, 3; Brooklyn, 4. Boston, 6-13; New York, 3-2. American League—Boston, 3-3; Cleveland, 7-4. Detroit, 4; Washington, 0. Chicago, 6; Philadelphia, 2. American Association—Milwaukee, 8; St. Paul, 4. Toledo, 8; Columbus, 1. Minneapolis, 4; Kansas City, 3. Western League—Denver, 6; Des Moines, 9. Colorado Springs, 4; Omaha, 2. Milwaukee, 5; St. Joseph, 4. Peoria, 8; Kansas City, 5.

Bland Statue Unveiled.

Lebanon, Mo., June 18.—A statue erected to the memory of Richard Parks Bland, who served in congress almost continuously from 1872 to 1899, was unveiled here yesterday with impressive ceremonies. An immense crowd gathered to hear addresses by William J. Bryan, William J. Stone and others. The statue is of bronze, life size, and rests on the pedestal of stone six feet.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

General Leonard Wood will be the guest of President Roosevelt at the white house for several weeks.

William Lowe Bryan was Tuesday elected president of Indiana State university, to succeed Joseph Swain.

Dewitt Clinton Flanagan (Dem.) was elected to congress from the Fourth New Jersey district Tuesday.

The Sixth Missouri district Democratic convention renominated Congressman D. A. DeArmond by acclamation.

Fire destroyed the furniture house of the Haywood Bros. & Wakefield company, at Los Angeles, Tuesday. Loss, \$160,000.

In a runaway of a four-horse coach in the Yellowstone national park Tuesday Mrs. Griffith and Mrs. Bates of Salem, O., were severely injured.

As a result of a serious conflict among the pilgrims at a religious fest which was being held at Avila, Spain, eleven of the pilgrims were seriously wounded by bullets.

WILD SCRAMBLE FOR LAND

Fort Hall Reservation Thrown Open to Settlement.

TWO THOUSAND SWEEP IN

Start is Made at Hour of Noon as Whistle Blows in Oregon Short Line Shops—Only Twenty-Seven Filings Made the First Day.

Pocatello, Ida., June 18.—The boundary line of the ceded portion of the Fort Hall reservation, opened to settlement yesterday, was lined for miles yesterday morning with people awaiting the hour of noon. All morning Pocatello had been surrounded by people, but the larger proportion gathered on the "hog-back," a mile southeast of the city, and it was from this point that the great rush took place. It began at a whistle signal from the Oregon Short Line shops. The special train over the Oregon Short Line railway from McCammon, the southern portion of the ceded lands, to Blackfoot, run for the benefit of those who wished to make entries at the land office at Blackfoot, arrived at the latter place in the afternoon. The nearest point to the ceded portion is seventeen miles from Blackfoot and only a hundred or so arrived ahead of the special train, though many attempted to do so with relays of horses.

Exactly at the hour of noon nearly 2,000 people, old men, boys, Indians, who had been waiting eagerly, some of them for weeks for the opening of the reservation, rushed across the line in a wild scramble for land and mining claims. J. R. Mullen and F. E. DeKay of Pocatello were the first to reach Blackfoot. Only twenty-seven filings were made yesterday. The filing of one claim was completed before another was taken up, and the work was necessarily slow. The scramble will continue for several days and numerous contests will undoubtedly take place.

HOPKINS DEFEATS HARRISON.

Is Elected State Chairman After a Bitter Contest at Springfield.

Springfield, Ill., June 18.—The Democratic state convention nominated the following ticket: Clerk of the supreme court, John L. Pickering of Springfield; state treasurer, George W. Duddleston of Chicago; superintendent of public instruction, Anson L. Bliss of Hillsboro; trustees of the state university, Dr. Julia Holmes Smith of Chicago, J. A. White of Urbana and S. S. Paxton of Monmouth. John P. Hopkins was re-elected chairman of the state central committee after a bitter contest with Carter H. Harrison of Chicago. The election of Chairman Hopkins produced the only fight in the convention, but it was strong enough to make up for the tameness that characterized the other proceedings of the convention. The committee on resolutions had a long and stormy session before their report was finally adopted. The principal fight was over the first plank in the platform. As originally drafted this read: "The Democrats of Illinois in state convention declare their adherence to the fundamental principles of the Democratic party as laid down in the Declaration of Independence and the constitution of the United States and affirmed at our last national convention."

This was considered by the opponents of silver as a too specific declaration in favor of the Kansas City platform and they fought it. For three hours the debate went on, and the plank was amended to read: "All fundamental principles of the Democratic party, as repeatedly affirmed by past Democratic conventions."

No effort was made to bring in the name of W. J. Bryan.

Augustana Lutheran Synod Adjourns.

Marquette, Wis., June 18.—The Augustana Lutheran synod, which has been in session, adjourned to meet next year at Paxton, Ill. It was decided to receive into the synod the famous Deaconess home at Omaha, heretofore maintained as a private asylum and hospital. For the home missionary work \$30,000 was appropriated, with \$7,500 additional for special work in Montana, Idaho and Washington.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

J. E. Proffit of West Virginia has been decided upon as consul to Pretoria, South Africa.

The Cuban senate has approved the bill fixing President Palma's salary at \$25,000 a year and that of Vice President Estevez at \$6,000 a year.

W. W. Atchison, a saloonkeeper, shot and killed James O'Meara and wounded William M. Shayer after a quarrel in Atchison's saloon at San Pedro, N. M.

His Record as an Abstainer.

She—Are you a total abstainer, Colonel Blue Grass?

He—Yes, ma'am. I hain't touched water for 40 years.—Chicago News.



HERE'S A BABY

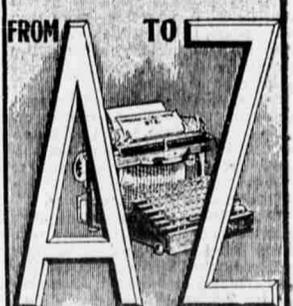
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