

KING ABLE TO SMOKE

England's Ruler Grows Better as the Hours Pass, and Enjoys a Cigar.

WRITES TELEGRAMS AND SEVERAL NOTES

Personally Looks After State Affairs, While Physicians Issue Reassuring Bulletins.

PRAYERS MINGLED WITH REJOICINGS

Tears and Litanies Obviously Out of Place in Face of the Bulletins.

DECORATIONS GRADUALLY DISAPPEARING

Strand Thronged with Curious Thousands, Who Confine Themselves to Taking a Farewell Look at Surroundings.

LONDON, June 27.—Buckingham was closed for the night rather late than usual.

It is understood, however, that the king's attack is progressing favorably and it is not anticipated that there will be any necessity of issuing another bulletin before 10:30 this morning.

LONDON, June 26.—Midnight—Those around King Edward continue to be astonished at his rapid recovery.

The slightly annoying symptoms mentioned in the bulletin issued at 11 o'clock tonight are quite inconsequential compared to the fact, which the Associated Press has learned, that his majesty again took food tonight and was afterward allowed to smoke a cigar.

Queen Alexandra sat with her husband all the evening and went by his side after he had fallen into peaceful sleep.

Mention by the king's doctors of the care with which food is administered to the royal patient and of the return of pain in the wound can easily be taken as an earnestness of their conscientious intention to make public the slightest adverse symptoms, however unimportant.

The king's courage and good temper are remarkable and today he personally wrote several telegrams and one or two notes.

As evidence of the king's persistent refusal to efface himself from his connection with state affairs and in corroboration of the statement that the physicians are satisfied with their patient's condition, the Associated Press learns that besides personally opening telegrams Wednesday evening, King Edward then insisted upon a full inspection of the honor list.

There was one appointment of considerable importance which had not been definitely decided at that time. The king approved this nomination and gave the final order to the department interested, thus saving one of the recipients of honors from severe disappointment.

King Better in Every Way

Tonight King Edward is better in every way than he was last night or this morning.

The return of pain in his wound is not accompanied by any appreciable increase of temperature. In fact, King Edward's doctors are inclined to regard the patient's pain and his appetite as healthy symptoms, although with the reserve they have maintained throughout they refrain from commenting thereon.

To these hopes of a favorable issue of the king's illness no less an authority than the queen gives encouragement. Writing to the lord mayor of London, Sir Joseph C. Dimsdale, today to thank him for his expressions of the sympathy of the city of London, Queen Alexandra says through her secretary:

"The queen rejoices to think that the bulletin of this morning gives a favorable report of the king."

Following the expressed desire of the prince of Wales the arrangements for illuminating the city, which involved the costly erection of net pieces for electric and gas lights, will be allowed to remain and will be utilized "immediately it is authorizedly announced the king is out of danger."

By the king's personal desire the royal pardons of offenders in the army will go into effect just as the coronation had occurred. The last intimation suitably brings to a close the day which was to have been notable in English history and which from the viewpoint of the public has passed in that mediocrity which is attached to all things that are neither wholly good nor wholly bad.

Litanies Out of Place

The most striking feature of coronation day, as it is still called, was the universal substitution of services of intercession for those of rejoicing.

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EXPERT MEDICAL OPINION

Gravity of the Case of the King Depends Upon Proper Diagnosis.

LONDON, June 26.—The British Medical Journal says:

Should the king's symptoms be the course they have hitherto followed, good reason to hope for a speedy restoration to health. Owing to the violence of the attack and the character of the present there is no indication of a more serious nature or to any malignant growth, as rumor has suggested.

The condition of the parts made clear at the operation was such as to assure the physicians that the abscess was due to one of the most common inflammations which occur with remarkable frequency in the neighborhood of the vermiform appendix.

The Lancet, while declaring it is impossible to disguise the seriousness of the king's condition, says:

It is our joyful privilege to be able to state that some of the sinister motives which have been prevalent for the last forty-eight hours throughout the world, the idea that the king's illness is being kept secret to be dispelled and absorbed into the general news of the day, should prevent the public from heeding these wild rumors.

The Lancet declares that there is no symptom of malignancy in the king's case.

Opinion of Dr. Murphy.

NEW YORK, June 26.—Dr. John B. Murphy of Chicago, dean of the faculty of Rush Medical college, has telegraphed to the New York Medical Journal the following statement regarding King Edward:

The official bulletins are very vague and do not give sufficient information to enable us to determine whether the perityphilitic abscess was due to appendicitis, carcinoma or perforation of the caecum.

If it be an appendicitis, the chances of recovery, allowing for his age and moderate risk of operation, are not good.

The perityphilitic abscess is from a perforating ulcer of the caecum, the prognosis is more grave, for these perforating ulcers are more common in the caecum than the tubercular. If the perforation occurred through a malignant ulcer, the prognosis is very grave.

Most Logical Assumption.

The assumption that the abscess is of appendical origin is the most logical from the early symptoms which preceded the fifth or sixth day preceding the operation.

There was every reason for his physicians to believe that the abscess was of appendical origin.

Some New Ones and Consolidation of Old Ones Strongly Probable.

MONTEREY, Mex., June 26.—Vice President and General Manager Nickerson of the Mexican Central has said in an interview that a short line to the United States border, which would possibly extend to San Antonio, Tex., is practically a certainty.

"We have arranged," said Mr. Nickerson, "to build 300 miles of road between Tampico and the terminus of the recently acquired Honey line, extending out of the City of Mexico. To use this, in connection with the Gulf division, as an outlet to the station will give us as short a line as at least as the National."

President W. G. Raul of the National railroad of Mexico, who is on a tour of inspection of that system, while disclaiming any knowledge of definite steps being taken in that direction, has admitted that the consolidation of the national and international lines in the near future is probable.

POWDER MAGAZINE EXPLODES

Located Five Miles from Madrid, but Force Throws Open Doors of Palace.

MADRID, June 26.—A stupendous magazine at the encampment of Carabanchel, five miles from here, exploded this morning. Two men were killed and fourteen injured.

The king, accompanied by members of his household, joined the crowd which hurried to the scene in order to ascertain the extent of the damage.

YACHT OWNER IS IN PRISON

Edward S. N. Dix of New York in the Tombs on Charge of Stealing.

NEW YORK, June 26.—Owner of two yachts and a member of the New York Athletic club, Edward S. N. Dix is locked up in the Tombs, having been indicted on the charge of stealing \$500,000 from Julian G. Buckley, president of an advertising agency and owner of considerable real estate.

Buckley alleges that a large sum is missing from his rent roll. The alleged shortage was discovered in the course of a damage suit by Buckley against one of the transit contractors for encroachment. The court demanded figures showing the amount in which the buildings had been damaged.

Dix, who, Buckley alleges, had entire control of the property, was on a yachting trip. The books were examined and alleged discrepancies were discovered which led to the arrest of Dix.

ENDS FIGHT AT SIOUX CITY

Efforts at a Compromise in the Postoffice Contest Come to Naught.

BILL TO PROTECT THE WATER HOLES

Pass Water-Hole Bill, which Secured the Passage of a Bill to Regulate the Use of Public Reservoir Sites Located Upon Public Lands of the United States, and the Senator Holds the Record for the Speediest Legislation That Has Been Completed in a Number of Days.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—(Special Telegram.)—The controversy over the Sioux City postoffice was settled today by the nomination of G. Badgerow, Congressman Thomas having sent his name to the postmaster general today for nomination by the president.

The present postmaster, Mr. Heiler, has made a most enviable record and had the support of a very large number of patrons of the office, but he was a friend of Mr. Perkins of the Sioux City Journal, and Mr. Thomas could not see his way clear to the reappointing of a friend of the man who has said some hard things against the congressman from the Eleventh district.

Mayor Caldwell of Sioux City recently was in Washington on a still hunt for the purpose of having Mr. Thomas appointed a compromise candidate in the person of L. L. Kellogg, president of the Commercial club of Sioux City. It was understood that the men who were backing Badgerow were favorable to this scheme, but when the test came, however, the men upon whom Thomas relies in the Eleventh district could not see their way clear to endorsing Mr. Kellogg.

The action having failed out of the attempt to bring down the ranks of Sioux City republicans, Mr. Thomas took the bull by the horns today and sent in Badgerow's name.

Charles Rigg of Beatrice, who has been in the city for some time past and who on Decoration day said that he would support upon Colonel Stotsenberg's grave in Arlington as a tribute from the boys of Company C of Beatrice, found that the grave of the late colonel of the First Nebraska, who died in battle in the Philippines, was not sufficiently protected and he needs a new base stone to shield it from the weather.

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TURN DOWN GENERAL STRIKE

Silk Workers at Paterson Hold Session and Decide Will Resist Their Jobs.

PATERSON, N. J., June 26.—At a meeting tonight in which were delegates from all branches of the silk industry here it was voted not to order a general strike in sympathy with that of the dyers' helpers.

A full consideration was given the matter and the vote stood: Against a strike, 12; in favor of a strike, 8. The Socialist Trade and Labor Alliance withdrew and did not vote.

It was generally argued that thousands out of work at this time would do no good and would hasten the end of the dyers' helpers' strike. It was contended that it would be better for those who could work to do so and contribute toward the financial support of those now out.

It is expected that many weavers and others who have not worked since a week ago will now return to the looms, the step having the approval of the trades unions.

At a meeting earlier in the day strike Chalmers officials made a bitter speech against the presence in the city of the militia. He claimed the local police were sufficient to preserve order. He demanded that the soldiers be sent home and went so far as to attack their habits.

The speech attracted the most hostile response heretofore. McGrath has been very bold in his utterances and counseled against any violence.

Governor Murphy is expected here tomorrow to look over the situation. He will confer with Mayor Hinchcliffe, General Campbell and Captain Billings, the police, and the governor will withdraw the troops or allow them to remain as the city authorities say. He may also grant a hearing to the mill-owners.

POSTAL GETS THE CONTRACT

To Control Telegraph Service of Pennsylvania Road for Fifteen Years.

PHILADELPHIA, June 26.—First Vice President John P. Green of the Pennsylvania railroad today announced that he had secured the directors of the company, at their meeting yesterday, approved the agreement whereby the Postal Telegraph company will control the telegraph service of the Pennsylvania company east of Pittsburgh and of the Erie for fifteen years, beginning December next.

The men who had that it now remains for the directors of the Postal company to ratify the contract. He further stated that as soon as the present contract between the Pennsylvania railroad and the Western Union Telegraph company affecting the lines west of Philadelphia and the lines to be made with the Postal company similar to the one approved yesterday.

It is said the contract for the western lines will not expire for several years. The eastern contract has already expired and the Western Union company has given six months notice of discontinuance to remove its poles and wires from the railroad company's property.

NEW YORK, June 26.—W. H. Baker, vice president and general manager of the Postal Telegraph company, confirmed today the report that a contract between his company and the Pennsylvania railroad company had been agreed upon. Mr. Baker declined to discuss the financial part of the contract, but said he considered the arrangement an excellent one both for his company and the railroad company.

The announcement to the effect that 100,000 railroad telegraph lines and the balance paid for is understood to be substantially correct. It is said that the terms finally agreed on with the Postal were not offered to the Western Union.

NO CHANGE IN THE LESSONS

Sunday School Committee Faithfully Carries Out Instructions of Convention.

DENVER, June 26.—Six special trains filled with delegates to the special annual international Sunday school convention arrived today from the east. The convention proper will open this afternoon. A preparatory service of prayer and hymns was held at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the Central Presbyterian church and at 8:30 o'clock memorial service for the late F. F. Jacobs of Chicago, chairman of the executive committee, was held in the Central Presbyterian church.

The following official statement has been prepared by the international Sunday school committee:

It appears from petitions received and from press notices that there is an entire unanimity of opinion among the members of the lesson committee toward the quarterly temperance lesson.

The committee desire to say, first, that it has faithfully carried out the instructions of the convention and prepared the quarterly temperance lesson for a number of years, and second, that it has never contemplated or discussed at any meeting since its appointment any modification of the instructions received from the convention; and third, that the lesson committee has no intention of changing the instructions received from the convention; and fourth, that the lesson committee has no intention of changing the instructions received from the convention.

STEEL LITIGATION BEGINS

Argument of Counsel in Case Against the United States Steel Company.

TRENTON, N. J., June 26.—Argument in the case of Mrs. Margaret Berger against the United States Steel corporation to restrain the conversion of \$200,000,000 worth of preferred stock into a like amount of bonds was resumed in the court of errors today.

Counsel for Mrs. Berger made an exhaustive argument and was closely questioned by the members of the court. He contended that the act of 1902, which was passed last winter, to permit the company to carry out its purpose was clearly unconstitutional, and that no right existed under the general corporation act to reduce the preferred stock of a corporation without payment for the same in cash.

He contended that the present plan of substituting bonds for preferred stock was an injustice to those holders of preferred stock that had not been substituted. Counsel for the steel corporation will conclude the argument this afternoon.

Bishop of Auckland.

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, June 26.—Right Rev. William Garden Cowie, D. D., bishop of Auckland, is dead. He was born in England in 1831. He had been bishop of Auckland since 1869 and primate of New Zealand since 1895.

Hanged for Wife Murder.

PITTSBURGH, June 26.—Charles Davis, a West Virginia negro, was hanged today for the murder of his wife last December.

YALE WINS BIG 'VARSITY

Lowars the Colors of the Fastest Eight that Harvard Has Yet Produced.

HARVARD TAKES FOUR-OARED RACE

Freshmen's Contest Proves a Dead Heat by Crew of Harvard Making Magnificent Start Near End of Course.

NEW LONDON, June 26.—Rowing within ten seconds of record time the Yale 'varsity crew this afternoon lowered the colors of the fastest eight that Harvard has yet produced. Yale won by four boat lengths. Yale's time was 20:20, Harvard's 20:33.

In the four-oared race the colors of Harvard were borne to the front. The Cambridge four won by two and one-half lengths.

In the freshmen race Yale's crew led over the last mile within a few feet of the finish, where the Harvard crew by a magnificent spurt jumped their shell up even with the blue. The judges were compelled to decide that the race was a draw.

Twenty-five thousand people saw the Eli's row to victory in the big 'varsity race. But while the crowd was great it was the presence of President Roosevelt which made the crowd unique in the history of Yale and Harvard races. The president saw the finish of all three races from aboard Dolphin, which was anchored just above the finish line. He declined to accept the regatta committee's offer to go aboard Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt's launch, Mirage, preferring, he said, to remain aboard Dolphin, where he could be with his family. The eyes of 35,000 people meanwhile searched yacht after yacht in the hope of a glimpse of the president.

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