

WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume Most Important Daily News Items.

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Events of Noted People, Governments and Pacific Northwest, and Other Things Worth Knowing.

Purchase by the government of the Cape Cod canal for \$11,500,000 would be authorized under a bill passed Tuesday by the house, 149 to 132. The measure now goes to the senate.

One death resulted Monday night from the most general flood Virginia has experienced in many years, when William Lucas was drowned at Fredericksburg while trying to rescue a small boat.

A slight earthquake shock was felt in Munich, Bavaria, Tuesday. The center of the disturbance is believed to have been in the middle Alps. The tremors were noted only in the upper stories of houses.

A. Stuart MacLaren, the British aviator attempting the eastward round the world flight, arrived in Bombay, India, Tuesday at Nasirabad, in Bengal, British India, about 200 miles northeast of Calcutta.

Five miners, entombed since Saturday afternoon in the Black Iron mine of the Empire Zinc Mining company near Gilman, Colo., were rescued Tuesday night. A drift was driven through virgin granite to the stope in which the men were confined.

Sale of vessels by the shipping board under its interpretation of the "private competitive bid" provisions of the shipping act, was assailed Monday by Representative Davis, democrat, Tennessee, prosecutor for the house committee investigating the board.

Raw sugar in the New York market sold Tuesday at 3 7/8 cents a pound for Cuban, cost and freight, a new record for the year. It was the lowest price since February, 1923, when sugar sold at 3 3/4 cents. The present weakness is due to a poor demand for refined sugar.

The resignation of Premier Poincaré's cabinet, announced Tuesday for June 1, effective June 4, passes the application of the experts' reparations plan, so far as France is concerned, to the succeeding government, along with all other problems involving questions of policy.

Congressional investigation of telephone rates and service throughout the United States and of the organization of the American Telephone & Telegraph company and its relations with other corporations was proposed Tuesday by Representative O'Connor, democrat, New York.

A motion to enter into close relationship with Pacific university, one of the oldest educational institutions in the United States, was unanimously adopted by the board of education of the United Presbyterian church, which is holding its annual meeting in Chicago. The university is located at Forest Grove, Or.

F. E. Cahill, admitted embezzler of between \$7000 and \$15,000 from the Broughton National bank of Dayton, Wash., was sentenced to serve nine months in the Yakima county jail when he pleaded guilty to charges of embezzling \$125 from the bank April 1 and \$331 February 7, before Judge Webster in federal court Tuesday.

After eight years of alcoholic dryness, the province of Alberta woke up wet Monday. Last November the voters of the province decided to substitute government sale of liquor for prohibition, which was decreed by the people in 1915, and became effective the following year. The act adopted in November was proclaimed to be effective Monday.

The colonnade of the hall of fame, overlooking the Harlem river from the New York university campus, was the scene of impressive ceremonies late Tuesday at the unveiling of the busts of ten Americans—nine men and a woman—who achieved fame in fields ranging from literature to statesmanship. The ten are: John Adams, Phillips Brooks, Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain), Peter Cooper, James Buchanan Eads, Joseph Henry, Andrew Jackson, Thomas Jefferson, William Thomas Green Morton and Alice Freeman Palmer.

Falshoods Blacken House.
In Turkey, when any man is the author of notorious falshoods, they blacken the whole front of his house.

GLOBE FLIERS REACH JAPAN

Elaborate Preparations Made by Villagers for Entertainment.

Minato, Japan.—The three United States army airplanes arrived here Tuesday from Yotorofu island on their flight around the world.

This little village of Minato has been in a state of tense expectancy awaiting the arrival of the American army fliers. For the last three weeks the villagers have been preparing for the reception of the airmen. They even assisted in placing buoys in the bay to aid the aviators in landing.

Monday night the mayor and city elders, many of whom are grizzled fishermen, met for a final discussion of their plans to receive the visitors. When it was reported today that the fliers were ready to hop off for this place, everything was in readiness for their reception.

In honor of the Americans the school children learned to sing "America" and "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean." The English words to these songs were received from Tokio last month.

The governor of Aomori prefecture, in which Minato is situated, has planned a dinner for the aviators. The curious countryside was thrilled by the visit of the birdmen and great crowds flocked to Minato.

The arrival at Minato from Yotorofu, about 354 miles by air, of the American army fliers marked the complete conquest of the earth's circumference by air. Americans, Britons and Portuguese have flown across the Atlantic. British aviators have flown from England to Singapore and Italians have left the flight across southern Asia and up the China coast to Japan, while Japanese and Americans have crossed their own countries.

PRESIDENT FAVORS WORLD COURT MOVE

Washington, D. C.—The question as to whether senate action on American world court membership should be attempted before adjournment of congress will be considered at conferences to be held within a few days between President Coolidge and republican leaders of the senate.

Interest in the whole question of American world court membership has been revived by the recent presentation of a new world court plan by Chairman Lodge of the senate foreign relations committee.

Three distinct plans are before the foreign relations committee and Senator Pepper, Pennsylvania, a republican member, is understood to be preparing a fourth, designed as a compromise. The proposal for conditional American adherence to the existing permanent court of international justice as made by President Harding and endorsed by President Coolidge has been before the committee for more than a year and in addition to the plan for a wholly new court there is pending a proposal by Senator Swanson of Virginia, ranking democratic member of the committee.

The conference between the president and republican leaders may be held prior to Wednesday's meeting of the committee.

Mr. Coolidge believes that the senate has disposed of its major legislation with the exception of farm relief and Muscle Shoals, and there have been indications that he is disposed to urge action on the world court question. Some of his advisers believe that a plan so drafted as to receive bi-partisan support could be put through easily before adjournment.

Doisy Nears Shanghai.

Hongkong.—Captain Pelletier Doisy, French aviator who is attempting a flight from Paris to Japan, hopped off at Canton at 7 A. M. Tuesday for Shanghai.

Melbourne.—Aviators McIntyre and Goble Monday completed an 8500-mile flight around Australia, accomplishing the feat in 99 flying hours. The flight was undertaken to survey the coast for defense purposes.

Plane Made Noiseless.

Dayton, O.—Noiseless airplanes, long a dream of aviators, became a reality when McCook field fliers announced successful tests Monday of a device that eliminates the drone of the engine. The silencer, an exhaust muffler attached to the engine, occasions a loss of 3 per cent of the engine's power, engineers at the field said.

Miss Young Going Home.

Fort Wayne, Ind.—Miss Clara Kimball Young, actress, who collapsed during a performance at a theater here four weeks ago, left Monday for her home in Los Angeles. She will spend a few days with her aunt in Chicago on her way west. She was operated on for an abdominal tumor. Since then her recovery has been rapid.

HOUSE OVERRIDES BONUS BILL VETO

Measure Is Upheld by 313-78 Vote.

SENATE YET TO ACT

Change in Attitude of Some Lawmakers Attributed to Message of President.

Washington, D. C.—The senate Monday overrode President Coolidge's veto of the soldier bonus bill.

The measure now automatically becomes law, the house having taken similar action.

The vote was 59 to 26 to overthrow the veto, or two more than the necessary two-thirds.

Several republican organization leaders joined with a strong democratic lineup in upsetting the veto the last moment.

Thirty republican, twenty-seven democrats and the two farmer-labor senators voted to override the veto. Seventeen republicans and nine democrats voted to sustain the president.

President Coolidge himself made an eleventh hour effort to stem the tide of support for the bill. He summoned seven republicans favoring it to the White House but was unable to swing over enough votes to accomplish its defeat.

Washington, D. C.—Soldiers' bonus legislation moved a step nearer enactment Saturday when the house, by an overwhelming vote, passed the bill over the veto of President Coolidge.

The vote was 313 to 78. There were more than 50 votes to spare over the necessary two-thirds.

The bill, providing 20-year endowment insurance certificates to war veterans, has now advanced to the final stage. Passage by a two-thirds vote in the senate will place the measure on the statute books, thus ending four years of agitation.

Although on ordinary issues Representatives Longworth and Madden could be counted upon almost to carry the house, their influence was negligible. The bonus sentiment was so strong that it was impossible to check it.

Those voting to override the president's veto included 166 democrats, 145 republicans and two independents. Those voting to sustain the president included 57 republicans and 21 democrats.

Twenty-four republicans and two democrats who voted for the bonus on March 18 voted to sustain the veto Saturday.

PIONEERS' REUNION ATTENDED BY 400

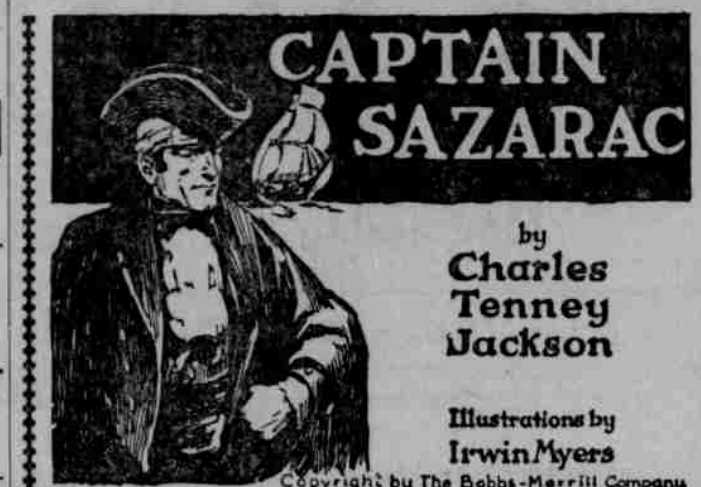
The first white child born in British Columbia, Thomas Fraser York, was one of the 400 pioneers, some of whom resided in the province as early as 1850, at a reunion held last week in Victoria, B. C., under the auspices of the British Columbia Historical association. Associations of the Native Sons and Native Daughters held their conventions at the same time.

Mark Bate of Nanaimo, pioneer of 1857, when he arrived in Victoria on the Prince Royal after a five-months' voyage, was one of the speakers at the banquet, replying to the toast of Mayor Hayward. Mr. Bate is 87 years of age and will leave for England in a few weeks, where he will attend the British Empire exhibition. Michael Finney, 94 years of age; Mrs. P. T. Johnson, 81 years young, and James R. Anderson, 83 years and the oldest resident in Victoria, were among the old-timers who gathered to talk of the early mining days when a sack of flour packed on a man's back for 200 miles along the Cariboo trail sold at Williams Creek or Barkerville for \$100.

Those attending the unique celebration came from all parts of British Columbia, Washington, Oregon and California, and all had resided in British Columbia prior to 1871, when the separate colonies of Vancouver island and British Columbia united and, as a single province, became a unit of the Dominion of Canada.

Dollar Exchange Basis.

Athens.—The minister of national economy Sunday hinted that the dollar bill will base value of exchange of the drachma on the Athens bourse, instead of the pound sterling hitherto used. "The dollar is the world monetary base now and has superseded the pound," said the minister. The Greek government has contracted with the Schroeder works at Toulon for the construction of two submarines of 600 tons each.



CHAPTER XVI—Continued.

"I heard you say the seas are wide, and far—far the way to their secret places. It is a chance, Jean." The count seized his arm, for the lieutenant, whom Mademoiselle Lestron had now joined, was returning to them. "Come! I reimburse the gentlemen of New Orleans who were with me in the Girod venture. I give you the Seraphine—without condition."

"Without condition?" Monsieur Sazarac stared oddly at him. Then at Mademoiselle Lestron who had run to them brightly, vivaciously, as if all was arranged, as if the black-hulled schooner and its mysteries would, in an hour, be vanished in the seas . . . and she gladdened at its passing.

"Ah, yes!" Sazarac bowed: "without condition, Monsieur de Almonaster!" And he bowed again to her, and took her finger-tips and pressed them to his lips. She could not understand this flirt which had a touch of satire. Nor the smile in his somber eyes; his turning away while Monsieur de Almonaster made hurried arrangements with the American lieutenant. Even now they had sent the boat away to apprise the Hornet, and to fetch the improvised crew which would be glad for a berth back to the Indies.

Monsieur Sazarac stood idly apart, twirling his sword knot, as if nothing any longer was affair of his. When Alderman Dominique made some query as to the dead seaman forward he shrugged. That was all.

He strolled forward to stare down at the nine dead buccaners, and did not return until the Hornet's boats with a crew of strange half-breed men, and two obsequious, grateful, petty officers, were at the Seraphine's side.

While the other party was descending to the small boat he still stood apart. Dominique supposed he was going, dumb hurt as the alderman was at thought of the chance that an instant cry, "Lafitte!" would ring on the Hornet's quarter-deck.

Mademoiselle Lestron thought he was going, for he stood close by the ladder as she was helped away. But he detained her suddenly at the rail.

"A moment, Mademoiselle—" He exhibited to her a small bracelet. Curiously inlaid, gold of three colors, and a number of pearls . . . the gift of a queen.

greatest mystery. Sir—another peg o' brandy."

"Here—scum o' the seas! Your drink—plunderer o' the ports!" "Monsieur Lafitte"—the jester crushed back against the emperor's pillows and touched a handkerchief of elegant linen to his lips delicately—"You say I shall die before morning?"

"It is certain as anything I know, Jarvis."

"Jarvis?" The jester grew quite solemn: "Wait a moment, Monsieur Lafitte. He straightened his body a bit: "Now—bring me the cutlass of old Gorgio!"

"I brought it—here," answered Monsieur Lafitte obediently.

"The pistol of Bohon!" "By your side, there—cleaned and loaded."

"The head scarf of Nes Coupe!" "On the pillow by you. And see—the earring of Johanness—"

"Where the devil is the other one?" roared the Bottle Emperor testily.

"I could not get the other one unless I cut the bo'sun's left ear—"

"Name o' evil!—why don't you obey me!" He thrust out a skinny finger and shook it with a lordly wrath.

clout and tied very tightly to my belt—" "Dieu de Dieu!" whispered the other; and then to himself: "Is this the fever? . . . the brandy? . . . or the secret soul of my friend?"

Monsieur Sazarac suddenly thundered to recall his lieutenant's mind. "Silence! I was saying—in precedence! First, Monsieur Sazarac. Then, Beluche, the admiral; Johanness, the bo'sun—and then the others to the green water. I order—you will obey."

"I will obey, Monsieur Sazarac." The last adventurer turned away as if he had a petition to offer. It was hard to conceal that he desired to keep one little thing for himself out of this ravishment.

"See here—Corsair. The little bracelet which you ordered must be stolen! Is it needful that it go to the bottom of the sea with you tomorrow?"

Monsieur Sazarac fixed his bright restless eyes upon the other's somber attentive face. The flicker of a wise ruthless smile came to him.

"It is needful. It is my plunder. It was—hers. Name o' names! There can be no discussion! Pin it to my new waistcoat—do you understand?"

The last man turned away from the emperor's bedside. He took his snuff absent, and sat down with the air of one who had lost the last battle. Then he looked at the plunder of Monsieur Sazarac upon the emperor's pillow.

"Even the bracelet—" he sighed. "What a buccanier, this Sazarac . . . and tomorrow he will be less lonely than I!"

Monsieur Sazarac, outstretched with some luxurious peace upon the silken, imperial coverlet, appeared to hear this whisper. He turned to see the other man staring out the open port at the sloop rolling in the gentle sea.

"They have reached the deck," murmured Lafitte absent, "She is in De Almonaster's arms . . . she is crying, or laughing. I cannot say which, but she is waving a little hand to us—"



"Look, Dearest . . . Sazarac, a Phantom Fading into the Mist!"

"The seas are wide—there are many far, secret places for Monsieur Sazarac," he whispered. "Louise! Dear—est—and always longed for! . . . you love me! . . . you love me!"

"I love you," She smiled out of her tears, glad for his arm, his tenderness, his understanding, when her eyes turned again to the black schooner with the gold line along the water. It had broken out to snowy sail; it was growing smaller, fainter, in the east, like a lily floating in the sun-wash of the gulf.

"In New Orleans you will know everything," Raoul smiled, out of his joy. "I will tell you everything—and of my love again! Look, dearest . . . Sazarac, a phantom fading into the mist!"

"Ah, but my little bracelet! In the end, perhaps I shall understand everything except why he stole my bracelet!"

Which was exactly the way things fell out.

Long years afterward Madame, the Countess de Almonaster's children—and then the children of her children—stood before a shabby little shop which was once Pierre Maspero's gaming-house, and looked across at the faded facade of the gray house which their forefather built for the exiled emperor. They went, also, of a Sunday afternoon, among the tourists, to the low tomb in the old St. Louis cemetery where the city had carved a flattering inscription from Voltaire's "Henriade" to the memory of an honest councillor:

"The Victor of a Hundred Fights on Sea and Land."

Ah, what jests may live in stone! Madame, the countess, could relate everything to her children, except about the bracelet of Marie Antoinette. At times, from the gallery of her great house on the Esplanade in old New Orleans, Madame would look across the mighty Mississippi to the dark and flooded forests of Barataria beyond which lay the blue gulf into which Monsieur Sazarac vanished forever from the world of men.

Eh, bien! The adventurer might come again some day with her bracelet . . . but over Monsieur's shoulder would peer his last ragged follower whispering that a jester, too, might love!

[THE END.]

Troops Under British Flag.

Great Britain supports a standing army of 237,500 men and a reserve of 237,500. The untrained reserve is 4,833,500. She also has 17,000 troops in Egypt and 50,000 in Canada, with an available man power of 1,531,000. There are 220,000 in New Zealand and 1,180,000 in the South African possessions. Most of these troops include trained veterans of the World war.