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INDIAN CRISIS ALARMS ENGLAND

Former Indifference Suddenly Gives Place to Intense Interest and Apprehension

PROFOUND SENSATION CAUSED BY MURDERS

Assassination of Wylie Stirs Entire Nation, and Authorities Are Being Roundly Condemned for Tolerating Revolutionary Propaganda.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] LONDON, July 3.—The effect of the assassination of the President in America is the only adequate comparison to be drawn of the sensation caused in this country by the murder of Sir William Hutt Curzon Wylie at the hands of a young Indian fanatic. It is thoroughly established that the crime was purely political and instigated by the leaders of the anarchist revolutionary party, which has created widespread agitation in India for the past two years. The tolerance of the British authorities, who, both in England and in India, have permitted open incitement to outrage, is now the subject of the most severe public reprobation.

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BATTLE WITH EX-CONVICT

Eight Men Shot, One Fatally, During Fight in Oregon.

IONE, ORE., July 3.—Eight men were shot here today in a battle between a sheriff's posse and T. G. Earheart, an ex-convict. W. W. Escue, an aged man of Portland, was shot by members of a posse by mistake, and Earheart was wounded in the back after having shot six of his pursuers. None of the victims, with the exception of Escue, is seriously wounded. Earheart surrendered to the posse after a running battle, was exhausted, and he was taken to Heppner. The wounded are: William Clark, shot in shoulder. Joseph E. Beasley, shot in face and legs. E. T. Perkins, postmaster, shot in foot.

John Johnson, shot in leg. Deputy Sheriff W. C. Casson, shot in back. Charles Ritchie, shot in leg. W. H. Escue, shot in body, perhaps fatally, by members of the posse. T. G. Earheart, shot in back.

Earheart, captured with E. Miller, on whom he is alleged to have drawn a knife. Afterward Earheart, it is said, broke into a store and stole a shotgun and a quantity of ammunition. Meanwhile Deputy Sheriff Casson gathered a posse and called on Earheart to surrender. The reply was a shot, and the Earheart started to run. The posse sent several dozen shots after the fleeing man, who returned the fire.

Earheart took refuge under a warehouse, whence he blazed away at his pursuers, hitting several. Escue, who had been sleeping on the ground nearby, arose and some members of the posse mistook him for Earheart and fired at him, inflicting injuries from which he may die.

When Earheart's ammunition was exhausted he surrendered.

CONGRESSMAN ILL

Popular Representative from Washington State Sick in New York.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NEW YORK, July 3.—The condition of Congressman Francis W. Cushman, of the state of Washington, who is ill at the Roosevelt hospital, was announced today to be slightly improved, but still decidedly serious.

Representative Cushman has been at the hospital since June 25. He went to have a slight operation performed, but he did not recover as soon as was anticipated, and development became serious.

None of the members of Mr. Cushman's family is with him, but it is expected that his wife will soon be at his side.

Mr. Cushman is generally recognized as one of the humorists of the House of Representatives, and he is a noted orator. He succeeded "Jim Haney" as Congressman from Washington when he was elected to Congress, and was last year a candidate in the primaries for the United States senatorship, but he did not get the nomination.

Mr. Cushman should be versatile, if anything. According to the congressional directory his occupations have been as follows:

"Water boy, common laborer, section hand, cowboy, lawyer, and representative-at-large."

MUST PAY FULL RATE

Important Decision Affects Relation of Roads to One Another.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 3.—A ruling was made today by the Interstate Commerce Commission that one carrier shipping fuel, material or other supplies over the lines of another carrier must pay the legal tariff rates applicable to the same commodities shipped between the same points by an individual. If carriers insist upon making a joint rate, they must pay rates they may confidently expect that such voluntary action will be accepted as evidence of the unreasonableness of the rates. The commission is directed to enforce against other shippers.

After a thorough investigation of the complaint submitted by the Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Commercial Club against the Alabama Great Southern Railroad Company, and other Southern interstate carriers, the commission announced in a decision handed down today that it is unable to find discrimination in the rates charged by the New Orleans, Mobile, Alabama, and various other points in the South. Particular complaint was made that Jackson and Mobile, Miss., were served by the railroads to the detriment of Hattiesburg. The commission holds, however, that the matter of law is not involved in the railroads to group Hattiesburg with Jackson and Meridian, however strongly it might feel inclined to relieve the conditions complained of.

NOW SUSPECT MURDER

Body of Farmer, Suspected Suicide, Will Be Disinterred.

NEW YORK, July 3.—A court order was issued today for the disinterment of the body of Alfred Burt, a well-to-do mining farmer, who was found in the attic of his home on Thursday, apparently a suicide from hanging. The coroner's jury, which returned a verdict of suicide, applied for the order and informed the court that he had evidence warranting the belief that the man died from poison, and that his body had been taken to the attic and suspended from a rafter. Burt left an estate estimated at \$100,000 more, and Mrs. Titus has applied for letters of administration.

Burt was thirty-five years old and was married about a month ago to Miss Gertrude Albrecht of Elmont. A week ago the couple quarreled, and Mrs. Burt left him. This was general belief, and she is responsible for the supposed suicide.

AUTOMOBILE TURNS OVER

Francis J. Heney and Former Senator Mulkey Have Narrow Escape.

CASPER ROCK, WASH., July 3.—An automobile in which Francis J. Heney, of San Francisco, and former United States Senator Fred Mulkey, of Portland, Ore., were traveling from Portland to Seattle, overturned near here this afternoon. One member of the party sustained a broken leg. Mr. Heney hurt himself from injury by jumping.

ROBBERS MURDER ENTIRE FAMILY

Wealthy Farmer, Wife, Daughter and Visiting Boy All Shot Down

WOMEN KILLED AS THEY RAN FROM HOUSE

Neighbors Form Searching Parties and Will Probably Hold Lynching Bee if Fugitives Are Captured. Whole Countryside Aroused by Brutal Crime.

BERDEEN, S. D., July 3.—J. W. Christy, a wealthy farmer living near here, his wife, his daughter Mildred, aged eighteen years, and a boy named Michael Roanaye were murdered today.

Mr. Christy was milking a cow in his barnyard when unknown persons shot him dead.

The murderers hurried to the house and, finding Mrs. Christy and her daughter and the Roanaye boy, who was visiting at the place, they began firing upon them. The first shots took effect and the two women and the boy fell dead.

It is supposed that the men who committed the crime were acquainted to some extent with the Christy family and their habits, for few people knew that Christy kept large sums of money in the house. It is believed he had several thousand dollars in his home at the time of the murder.

The entire countryside is wrought up. Bands of farmers were immediately organized, and search for the murderers was begun. The farmers threaten the fugitives with lynching if they are caught.

Mr. Christy was one of the most prosperous farmers in the Northwest. Examination of his body showed that in addition to being shot his skull was crushed by a hammer. Mrs. Christy was shot as she ran on the porch of the house at the end of the building. The bullet entered her breast, evidently from a gun held against her body. Mildred Christy, the eighteen-year-old daughter, was attacked as she came from her bedroom. Her night dress was torn from her, and she was lying in the head of a bed, with her feet on the bed. Michael Roanaye, aged fourteen, was shot in the barn beside Mr. Christy's body, and his skull was also crushed with a hammer.

The murderers ransacked the house, but are not known to have obtained anything in the house one of the men loaded his revolver, dropping the .40-calibre shells on the floor.

FRENCH WARSHIP COMING

Serious Trouble Between American and Foreign Fishermen Threatened.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., July 3.—As a result of the firing on the French beam trawler Nordcaper by Captain Vincent Nelson, of the schooner Senator Gardner, of this port, about two weeks ago, a French warship has been dispatched to the scene. This information was brought to port by Captain George Nelson, of the school Elmer E. Gray.

The situation, it is admitted, is becoming more tense. Further reprisal may occur. The coming of the war vessel has caused the French captains to become still more arrogant. A few nights after the shooting the entire fleet of fishing gear of the Gray, forty tubs of hook and line trawls, were swept away by a Frenchman. The Gray's voyage was broken up thereby, and she was forced to depart for home but partially fished.

Gloucester owners are busy filing a long list of claims against the French fishing depredations. It is estimated that the fishing interests here have been heavily damaged as the result of the overbearing and destructive tactics of the French.

News received here from the west coast of Newfoundland is to the effect that the native fishermen here are greatly incensed against the French beam trawlers, and that bloodshed may result.

WOMAN SAVES MANY LIVES

Husband Drowned, Wife Stands Two Days Faithfully Guarding Bridge.

MOBILE, ALA., July 3.—The body of Mrs. Samson, a devoted wife, was found today in the water in front of the bridge over the Louisville and Nashville Railroad at Bayou Sayre, Ala., was buried here today, and incidentally her story revealed a wonderful story of the devotion of a woman, who probably saved many lives.

Early on Thursday night Samson was in his loft near the bridge, when lightning killed him, and threw his body into the water in front of the bridge. His child, Mrs. Samson, tried to save the body, but it went down just as she was about to reach it. She remained on the bridge all Thursday night and the greater part of Friday alone with her child, seeing that the trains could safely pass over the structure, as it was not stopping point she could not get assistance until today, when she succeeded in dragging a rafter, and the watchman had been sent to the bridge.

JUDGE AND SENATOR FIGHT

Brothers-in-Law Have Argument and Try to Smash Each Other's Nose.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] PATRICKSON, N. J., July 3.—State Senator John Hutchinson and former District Court Judge John P. Kerr were the principals in a fight in front of the City Hall. If a decision on points had been given it would have been a fight between two blows and Judge Kerr one. The men are brothers-in-law.

Judge Kerr was on his way to his office when he and the Senator met. There was a heated argument for a few minutes, and then the Senator landed a glancing blow with his right hand on the judge's nose. He followed this up with one on the judge's ear. Kerr retaliated with a short-arm jab on the jaw. The fight was stopped by the interference of friends.

THREATENED BY FAMINE

Thousands of Chinese Will Face Death Unless Rain Comes Soon.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] VICTORIA, B. C., July 3.—So serious is the menace of widespread famine throughout the Chinese Empire, according to a report brought by the steamship Empress of Japan, that the regent has ordered special prayers for rain, without which hundreds of thousands are doomed to an awful death. For months there has been no rainfall, and the crops are drying up. The prospect of an unprecedented famine. Today's news also reports increased activity throughout China, and Japanese negotiators are endeavoring to improve the German foothold in the Orient and tend toward offsetting the Anglo-Japanese compact.

KILLED IN MOTORCYCLE RACE

Rider Crashed Into Fence and Was Hurtedly Fled.

DENVER, COL., July 3.—George Michaels, entered in the five-mile motorcycle race at Overland Park, was killed late this afternoon when his machine skidded and struck a fence, and crashed through a fence.

The accident occurred in the first lap of the five-mile race. Michaels, who was riding third, lost control of his machine for an instant, when striking the three-quarter-mile turn. Before he could regain control, he crashed into the fence, striking his head and shoulders and dying before assistance could arrive.

EARLY GOES NORTH

Locked in Baggage Car, Alleged Leprosy Sufferer Starts Journey.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 3.—John R. Early, the alleged leper, who has been quarantined in a camp near this city since last August, and whose case has attracted widespread interest because of the sharp controversies it has drawn over the nature of his ailment, left Washington at 10:45 o'clock tonight locked in a baggage car attached to the regular Pennsylvania Railroad train. Early will enter the Skin and Cancer Hospital of New York for treatment under Dr. L. Duncan Bulkley.

SET CHILD'S HAIR AFIRE

Angry Peddler Deliberately Tried to Burn Little Girl's Hair.

BLOOMSBURG, PA., July 3.—In reply to a refusal to buy anything or allow him to enter the house, a tramp peddler today lighted a match and deliberately set fire to the hair of a twelve-year-old Leta Kline, of Orange township, near here. The little girl's hair was caught in the peddler's hand. Without hesitating a moment she ran to a pail of water and dousing her hair into it quenched the fire. In the meantime the peddler made his escape. The tenderness of the girl's hair and the fact that she lives in the neighborhood, who are searching the surrounding country for him.

TELLS DRAMATIC STORY

Sensational Statements Made in Letter to Atlanta Newspaper.

ATLANTA, GA., July 3.—A dramatic story was told tonight in a letter to the Constitution by a writer claiming to be Will Myers, who killed Forest Crowley here in 1884. Myers escaped from prison shortly before he was to be hanged as a leper, never captured.

The writer claimed to have known a man of prominence, that he was a delegate under an assumed name to the last State gubernatorial convention; that he is married and has three children. The letter begs that a movement for Myers' pardon be started.

NEARLY WRECKED SHIP

Flying Fish Landed in Face of Man at Steamer's Wheel.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., July 3.—The sailing ship "Henrietta," on the rocks off the "Marion" Islands yesterday afternoon, was saved from a certain fate by the man at the wheel, Captain Alexander, who was so astonished by the flying fish, that he turned the ship's head and narrowly missed her reef before she was pulled back on her course.

The tropical visitor weighed two pounds and measured eighteen inches across the extended wings.

TEXAS GIANT DEAD

Veteran 7 Feet 9 Inches Tall, Was Prominent at Recent Reunion.

VERNON, TEX., July 3.—Colonel H. C. Thurston, known as the Texas giant, believed to have been the tallest American, 7 feet 9 inches in height, Confederate soldier under General Price, is dead at his home here, aged seventy-seven. He was the tallest of four children, one son being over seven feet tall. Thurston toured America and Europe with a circus and made a complete tour of the world, visiting the farms and ranches, spent his declining years in quiet. He was a conspicuous figure at the recent Confederate reunion at Memphis.

WIFE FIRED FATAL SHOT

Was Trying to Kill Himself, But Killed Her Husband Instead.

CINCINNATI, O., July 3.—Mrs. Mary Rice, whose husband, John Rice, a janitor, died at the city hospital last Thursday night from the effects of two bullet wounds, told the police today that the anti-norm statement of her husband that he shot himself was false, and confessed that she fired the shot.

Mrs. Rice said she intended to commit suicide, following a quarrel with her husband. Rice, taking the pistol and in the struggle to get the gun out of her possession, she shot and killed him. A charge of murder was placed against Mrs. Rice.

COLLISION CAUSES PANIC

Special to The Times-Dispatch.

CLEVELAND, July 3.—Two persons were injured in a head-on collision between two cars on the Chardon division of the Eastern Ohio Traction Company, near Gales Mills, late this afternoon. Passengers were panic-stricken, and trapped on each other in efforts to escape from the cars.

THOMPSON TO RETIRE

MEXICO CITY, July 3.—Ambassador David E. Thompson to-night stated to a correspondent of the Associated Press that he would leave a diplomatic service of the United States the first of next year.

RETALIATORY LAW PASSES SENATE

Maximum and Minimum Provisions of Tariff Bill Finally Adopted.

DANIEL STANDS FOR RIGHTS OF CONGRESS

Duty on Tea and Coffee as Provided in Amendment Stricken Out After Speeches by Virginian and Others. Money Takes Shot at Hitchcock.

WASHINGTON, July 3.—The maximum and minimum provisions of the tariff bill were adopted by the Senate today by a vote of 36 to 18. Final action upon this amendment, which is the outcome of a day devoted to a lively discussion of the proposed retaliatory measure that brought out a great variety of views as to the advisability of enacting such legislation. The provisions of this measure will go into effect on March 31, 1910, and ninety days must elapse before the President is authorized applying the maximum duty of 25 per cent ad valorem, in addition to other duties provided in the bill, will be operative.

Duty Is Removed.
The duty on tea and coffee, as provided in the amendment originally reported by the committee, was stricken out with the assent of the Finance Committee upon an amendment offered by Senator Daniel.

Mr. Daniel criticized the proposed legislation as authorizing the President to make treaties with foreign powers without submitting them to the Senate. "What this amendment is agreed to," he said, "the Senate is eliminated as a treaty-making power so far as these commercial matters are concerned. It is becoming more and more common to make the Senate from the exercise of its powers."

Senators Nelson, Curtis and Root speaking in favor of the elimination of the duty on tea and coffee, Mr. Daniel's amendment to strike out that provision was accepted by Mr. Aldrich.

For Non-Partisan Appointments.
Senator Culberson, offering an amendment to make non-partisan the appointment of the tariff commission and to pay them salaries of \$7,500 annually, Mr. Aldrich declared that experts were to be selected, and he did not believe politics would be considered by the President in that connection. "From the morning papers," said Mr. Bailey, "the Director of the Census is making his appointments for partisan reasons. If that is true, it is the first time it has been done in the history of the country."

Senators Sherman and Sherman joined in the smile that became general as the Mississippi Senator proceeded to show the temptation of men to make appointments with a partisan bias.

Crack at Hitchcock.
Mr. Money further declared he understood that the Director of the Census is making his appointments for partisan reasons. "I am referring to Mr. Hitchcock," he continued. "Whatever that distinguished gentleman may be doing, I have never been able to find him in the Post-Office Department. I have called four or five times to see him, and I have never been able to see him. My own experience on this side of the House, I suppose his political cares are so engrossing that he has no time to attend to the duties of the department he is called upon to preside over."

The Senate fell into an discussion of the reasons for the failure to ratify the reciprocity treaties negotiated under the Dingley law. Mr. Bacon charged that Mr. Aldrich had been responsible for that failure, and was called to order by Mr. Aldrich for revealing executive secrets. Mr. Bacon's amendment offered by Mr. Culberson was rejected.

Requires Ninety Days' Notice.
Mr. Heyburn offered and Mr. Aldrich accepted for the Finance Committee an amendment requiring ninety days' notice for the application of the maximum rate after the minimum rate has been in force. In presenting the amendment Mr. Heyburn expressed apprehension that as it stood the provision would cause unrest. This criticism brought Mr. Aldrich to his feet with the amendments that have been practiced by foreign governments against the United States. France, he said, had imposed her maximum tariff against the United States and against no one else; Germany had imposed various restrictions upon American meat and other products, and about a dozen other nations had imposed various restrictions of farm and other products that this provision had been framed, he said.

Senator Bacon, approving the idea of a retaliatory provision, said he thought the method employed should be reversed. The duties should be fixed, he said, with power for the President to increase a rate if this country is discriminated against.

Income Tax Question.
The income tax question was brought up promptly and an agreement was reached to vote at 1 o'clock on Monday afternoon on Senator Brown's resolution providing for the submission to the States of an amendment to the Constitution permitting the imposition of an income tax.

Senator Brown asked that a vote be taken immediately, but encountered opposition from various quarters. Senator McLaughlin being especially antagonistic.

Senator McLaughlin said he saw no necessity for such an amendment, which would defer the enactment of an income tax law. He thought that probably one-fourth of the States of the Union would decline to ratify this.

Lived in Los Angeles.
LOS ANGELES, CAL., July 3.—Sir Arthur first called as a lawyer here in 1861 and continued him about obtaining a divorce from Lady Stepany, which it developed he was unable to procure. He was a guest at a local hotel for several months, and left Los Angeles six months ago, since which time his friends had heard nothing from him.

The baronet was married in 1875 to the Honorable Margaret Leicester, youngest daughter of the second Baron De Talley. He obtained a divorce from her in 1880. It was held invalid in the English courts in 1903, when, on a petition of Lady Cowell-Stepney, a judicial separation was granted.

ENTIRE FAMILY DROWNED

Man, Wife and Two Sons Die Trying to Rescue Daughter.

FORT COLLINS, COL., July 3.—George Fuller, his wife, and three children were drowned this afternoon in a lake near Wellington, twelve miles north of here. The parents and two boys met death in an attempt to rescue a little daughter who had fallen in while trying to get a bucket of water.

MINEIS BLOWN TO PIECES

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, July 3.—

Three miners were killed and six others seriously injured this afternoon at Topitz, Utah. The men killed were blown to atoms by the explosion of 750 kegs of black powder.

HURLED BOMB INTO CROWD

Nine People Injured, and One of Them Died To-Night.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., July 3.—A dynamite bomb thrown into the middle of a crowd hurled a street vendor to-night injured nine people, one of whom will die. The bomb-thrower was not arrested. The cause of the throwing of the bomb is a mystery.

Five of the injured were severely hurt. Alfred Lamy, aged fourteen, was seriously wounded, died late to-night. Alexander Girard, aged twenty, had his arm injured, Arien Haut, aged twelve, had his face, arms and body cut and bruised. Stanislaus Jurczyk, aged twenty, was injured about chest and abdomen, and Joseph Pleson, aged fourteen, was injured by fragments of glass on his face. The bomb-thrower, all five were removed to the hospital, and four others, who received cuts from the glass, were sent to their homes after being treated.

The police have no clue to the outrage. The injured men were in a crowd who surrounded a street vendor, John Harrison, of Providence, who was being necktie. Without warning the dynamite was thrown, apparently from the outer edge of the crowd. It struck close to Harrison's feet, blowing him in the air, and he was apparently hurled in every direction in the middle of the crowd, but Harrison escaped unhurt, although the bomb apparently was aimed at him. He told the police that he had no suspicion as to the identity of the bomb-thrower, and that he was not aware that he had any enemies.

From the fragments of the bomb, which the police have seen, it is recovered, it is judged that it consisted of a glass bottle or jar containing either kerosene or nitroglycerine and pieces of iron.

OFF TO SUMMER CAPITAL

White House Will Be "Bachelor's Hall" for Next Few Weeks.

WASHINGTON, July 3.—President and Mrs. Taft left Washington at 5:35 o'clock this afternoon for Beverly, Mass.

For the next few weeks the White House will be known informally and unofficially as "Bachelor's Hall." Mrs. Taft and the children will spend the summer at Beverly. The President