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B. C.'S FAILURE TO GRASP SOLUTION.

British Columbians, who have already suffered much through the influx of Orientals, see visions of another influx from another quarter which they anticipate will be quite as blighting as the Chinese horde, and less controllable. This newest menace is the Russian peasant, who is given a direct route from the steppes to British Columbia by the new steamship line which is just now being established between Vancouver, Prince Rupert and Vladivostok.

British Columbians, however, are a little given to worrying without making any consistent attempt to apply the remedy. British Columbia, in point of natural resources, is one of the richest countries in the world. But British Columbia has allowed successive pillaging governments to lock the resources against the settler and to hand them over to favorites of the government to be used as a means of exploiting the landless. British Columbia has never yet grasped the free land idea. British Columbia's theory of colonization has always been the master and servant theory. The obsession of the original aristocrats who first governed the province was that the country should be divided into estates—which they proceeded to do—and peopled

by hirelings who would work for landlords or pay the owners of the estates for the privilege of access to wild land. The natural effect of such a system has been to drive all the workingmen into the cities, good, bad and indifferent. The man with the initiative to get out and establish a home for himself in the wilds is precluded from so doing by the foolish laws which British Columbia has enforced, and he is consequently thrown back into the cities and forced into competition with the Chinaman, the Jap, the Hindu and now the Moujik.

The result is dissatisfaction, distress and industrial unrest; and in the process the very best of their potential citizens are worst hit.

When British Columbians learn that, as Lloyd-Georgers say, "God gave the land to the people," they will have discovered the solution of their difficulties. With their resources thrown open, the Russian peasant will not hurt British Columbia. Alberta has many thousands who were driven out of Russia long before Vancouver ever had a steamship to Vladivostok, and Alberta is nothing loser by their presence. On the contrary, they are a valuable asset, and it was the Czar who booked a losing when he failed to recognize it.—Edmonton Capital.

UNITED STATE WILL FOLLOW PLAN OF NON-INTERFERENCE

SECRETARY BRYAN VIGOROUSLY ASSERTS HIS REAL INTENTION—WILL ASK CONGRESS FOR APPROPRIATION FOR DESTITUTE AMERICANS.

Washington, Aug. 4.—Secretary Bryan vigorously disclaimed today that his request to congress to appropriate \$100,000 for bringing destitute Americans out of Mexico had any connection with any policy the administration may evolve in dealing with the Mexican situation.

"Statements aiming to put a scarehead construction on the request for an appropriation are entirely without excuse, and cannot be explained on any theory consistent with an interest in the public welfare," he said. "In furnishing aid to any indigent person desiring to leave Mexico, the government is simply doing what it does at any time when American lives are in danger by insurrection, and there is no reason why anybody should attempt to misconstrue it."

Secretary Bryan's request was generally interpreted as one step in the administration's plan for dealing with the Mexican problem.

Far from being regarded as a preliminary to intervention—which President Wilson has told friends on various occasions is out of the question—the request for funds is really thought to be the forerunner of a policy of non-interference.

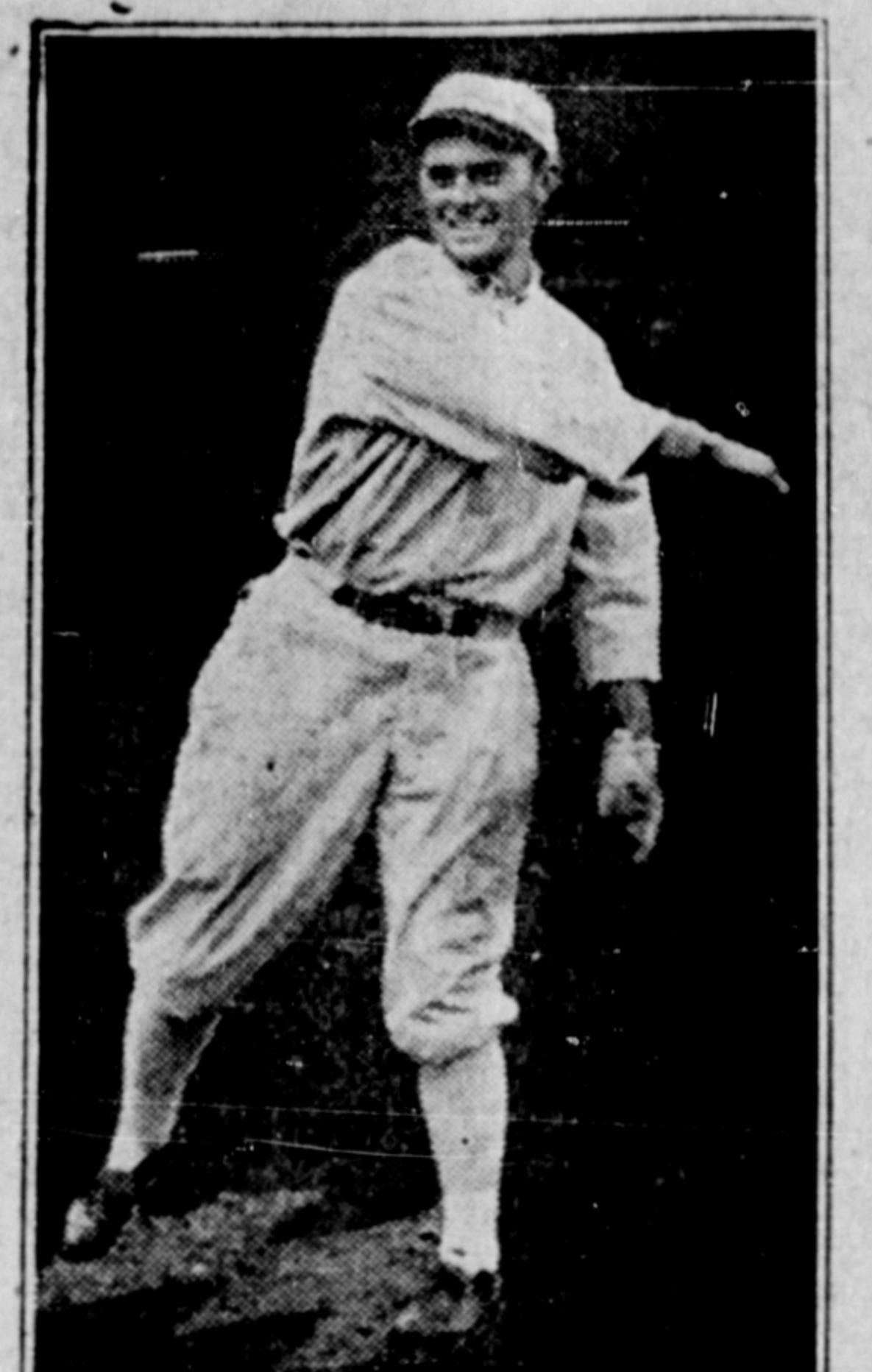
From the first the President has believed that in crisis in turbulent republics the single solicitude of the American government should be the protection of lives and property. Should the administration here adopt a policy of non-interference it might well refrain from action with respect to the destruction of property on the grounds that claims for damages would, under international law, eventually cover losses. The chief consideration has always been and will be caring for the lives of Americans and foreigners. In any crisis, Americans of means, on warning, would easily be able to flee the country, but dangers always beset those who through lack of funds could not make the journey promptly. To meet such

an emergency the present request for an appropriation is directed.

The administration, while hopeful that peace negotiations may bring the two factions to a suspension of hostilities, realizes that with the resignation of Huerta or any other political change Americans may become alarmed and the desire to obtain funds to care for those who may be anxious to leave Mexico is a precautionary measure.

Secretary Bryan's request will come up at the first meeting of the house appropriation committee next week. Chairman Flood, of the foreign affairs committee, said today he believed the committee would vote to include the \$100,000 appropriation in the deficiency bill.

"We at least owe it to the stranded Americans in Mexico to provide means for their return in these turbulent times," said Mr. Flood.



LARRY CHAPELLE.

The eighteen thousand dollar centre fielder purchased from the Milwaukee Association by the Chicago Americans (White Sox).

FORCED TO APOLOGIZE

Insulter of Jack Tar Given a Severe Beating.

North Vancouver, Aug. 4.—At the conclusion of the band concert at Capilano yesterday afternoon, when the strains of the national anthem were given, two Jack Tars, as is their duty, came to attention. They were standing some distance from the crowd, but three strangers noticing the action commenced to ridicule and use insulting remarks. The sailors paid no heed and stood to the finish of the air, but a friend who was with them stepped up to the insulter and quietly led him to a secluded spot off the roadway and there gave the offender a pummeling and made him apologize. His friends were quite satisfied not to interfere, so the disturbance ended without undue commotion. The tars' friend, it appears, was a retired service man.

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TREMENDOUS FLIGHT MADE BY AVIATOR ACROSS EUROPE

EUGENE GILBERT FLIES 1,030 MILES BETWEEN SUNRISE AND SUNSET—WENT FROM PARIS TO PORTUGUESE FRONTIER WITH ONE STOP.

Paris, Aug. 4.—Eugene Gilbert, a French aviator, flew from Paris today to Pejabo, on the Portuguese frontier, a distance of 1,030 miles, in an effort to win the Pomeroy cup.

The prize is awarded semi-annually to the airman who makes the longest flight across country from sunrise to sunset in one day. He may stop as often as he wishes to replenish fuel.

Gilbert beat the record of 875 miles on December 11 by Marcel C. Brindejone Des Moulins, when he flew from Paris to Warsaw.

Gilbert left Paris at 4:45 o'clock this morning and made a seven hours' non-stop flight to Victoria, in Spain, where he landed. Ascending again at 1 p. m., he headed for Portuguese territory,

and at 8 o'clock this evening was reported to have descended at Pejabo.

BUSY TIMES AHEAD

Optimistic Prediction of Canadian Northern Official.

Montreal, Aug. 4.—H. M. McLeod, general manager of the Canadian Northern Railway, has announced here on his return from an inspection trip over western lines that 25,000 men are employed on construction work in Alberta and British Columbia. Most of the men are on the main line, which will be completed before the close of 1914. "I believe that the next five years will be the most active so far as railway construction is concerned that the prairie provinces have witnessed," declared Mr. McLeod.

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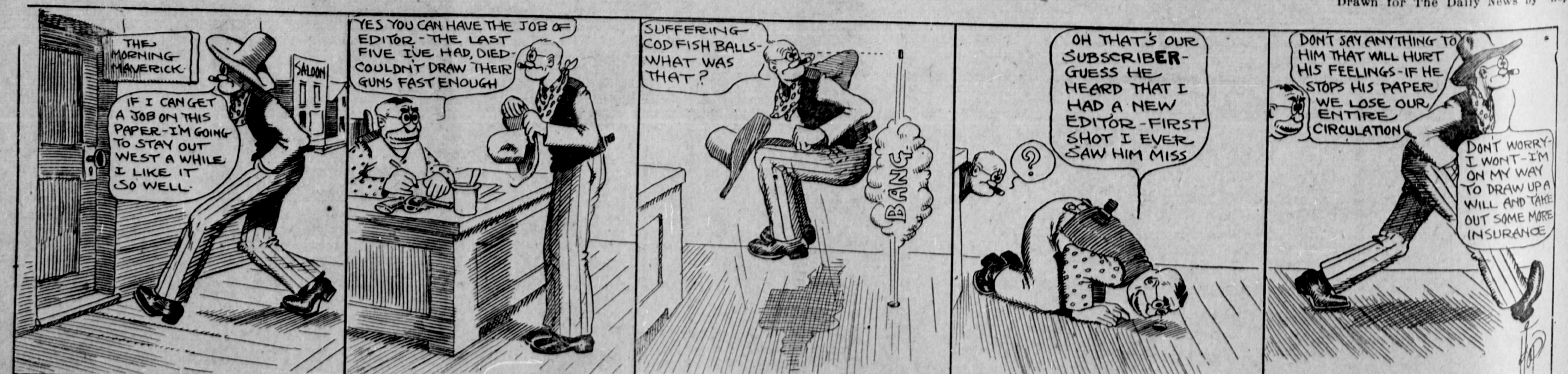
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