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MINISTERS AWAY TO EUROPE TODAY

Attendance at League Assembly Will Be Incidental.

French Treaty, Belgian and Czecho-Slovakian Trade, and Foreign Loans Will Receive Attention.

(Special to Times) Ottawa, Aug. 22.—Reciprocal trade arrangements between Canada and Belgium and Czecho-Slovakia, as well as a revision of the French treaty, will be taken up when abroad, by Hon. W. S. Fielding, who sails from Quebec today with Hon. Ernest Lapointe. Mr. Fielding's attendance at the assembly of the League of Nations, will be more of an incidental character.

Considerable correspondence has been exchanged with these countries in recent months, in respect both of trade, immigration, and other matters, and prospects are said to be promising for such conventions as will be mutually beneficial.

The French Treaty. In regard to the French treaty, a broadening out is aimed at. It is planned that Canada should receive the same favored treatment as is embodied in the existing agreement between France and the United States. One of the main outputs of France for which preference is sought, is light wines. The volume of business possible in that line, however, is restricted by the fact that only two provinces—Quebec and British Columbia—import wines as beverages.

Foreign Loans. The finance minister will also take up the Roumanian and Grecian loans. Greece has paid some but little interest. Roumania has defaulted in interest but has offered a new bond issue of long term maturities. The assurance of interest practically accepted this proposal on the ground that it could not be worse and may be better than the arrangement now in vogue. The assurance of interest being paid, is strong. Mr. Fielding is accompanied by tariff commissioner Russell, and E. B. Viets, counsel of the finance department.

Premier King is acting as minister of finance during the absence of Hon. W. S. Fielding, and Hon. Jacques Bureau has been appointed acting minister of marine and fisheries during the absence of Hon. Ernest Lapointe.

PREFER TRADE WITH CANADA

Jamaican Insurance Man in Toronto Looks to This Country For Market.

Toronto, Aug. 22.—Although the natural market for all products from Jamaica is the U. S., the majority of the Jamaicans themselves would prefer to have closer trade relationships with Canada because of its being a British colony, according to statements made yesterday by J. H. Kilborne, representative in Jamaica of the Confederation Life Association.

Mr. Kilborne, who is at present in the city attending a convention of the insurance men, has spent his life in Jamaica. All his statements are made from first hand information. He pointed out that now as never before Jamaican business men and traders were looking to Canada for a market for their goods.

WILLIAM'S MEMOIRS

Low Priced, Large Circulation Expected—The Principal Headings.

Berlin, Aug. 22.—Former Emperor William's forthcoming memoirs will have a wide circulation in Germany if low prices and extensive advertising are made of the appearance of the volume next October and is offered to book orders for it in paper cover, for one hundred marks, which is slightly less than fifteen cents in Canada, at the current rate of exchange.

Among the headings are—"My Attitude toward the Church," "The outbreak of the war," "The end of the war," "The Pope and the Peace," "Friendly and Neutral Powers," "The destruction and Germany's future."

SUN YAT SEN IS AGAIN TO FORE

Deposed Chinese President Figures in Reorganization of Government.

Shanghai, Aug. 22.—Sun Yat Sen, deposed president of China, who recently fled from Canton, has leaped to the front as a pivotal figure in the re-organization of the Chinese government with receipt of a telegram from Wu Pei Fu, dominant military figure of North China, flatly endorsing Sun's recent manifesto and pledging his support to Sun's policy for rebuilding the federal government machinery.

The Telegraph and Times inshell team will play the East St. John Rogers tonight at seven o'clock on the South End.

A New Situation in The Rail Strike Negotiations

Big Five Brotherhoods on Matter of Seniority Rights.

Answer of Rail Presidents to Be Determined Tomorrow—Trainmen and Firemen On Southern Railway Walk Out.

(By Canadian Press) New York, Aug. 22.—The shop craft strike entered another phase today when rail presidents from western states began to arrive for tomorrow's conference of the Association of Railway Executives, where they will vote their answer to measures proposed by the big four brotherhoods as a practical means of settling the seniority question and ending the strike.

This will mark the third assembling of rail chiefs within the last month, at each of which the problem of strikers' seniority rights has risen to block the path of settlement. At the first two meetings plans submitted by President Harding were partly accepted, but with reservations and conditions which eliminated them as a basis for calling off the strike.

Tomorrow the railmen will face a new situation, the entrance of the big five brotherhoods into the negotiations where, as mediators, they have made plain their attitude toward seniority rights as applied to their fellow workmen, the striking shop craft men.

MOORE WALK OUT

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 22.—Official notice of a walk-out of the "Big Four" brotherhood of trainmen on the western division of the Southern Railway Company from Danville, Ky., to St. Louis, Mo., was received late yesterday by officials of the company here, following a second strike of firemen at 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon at Princeton, Ind. Orders were given for the annulment of trains between Louisville and St. Louis until further notice.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—Walkouts by trainmen on the Southern Railway resulting in tie-ups in North Carolina, following the strike of firemen, have led to investigations of alleged wreck plots, marked the progress of the rail shippers' strike, which is expected to be hung suspended pending the New York meeting tomorrow of rail brotherhoods, mediators for the striking shopmen.

Tense in North Carolina. Eight companies of state troops were on duty about the shops of the Southern Railway at Spencer, N. C., where 1,700 men are out, and about the post office at Salisbury, three miles from Spencer. The troops at the post office were requested by Postmaster Boyden, who alleged that open threats had been made to lynch a post office clerk.

Tensions prevailed in the situation at Spencer, but was broken by arrival of the troops. Trainmen, switchmen and clerks held a meeting at which they decided to defer moving trains until later today, when another meeting was to be held to decide whether the walk-out was to be permanent.

At Atlanta thirty-five United States deputy marshals were on duty in the Southern Railway yards, and yesterday a negro was perhaps fatally injured and nine others severely beaten.

A party of men was reported to have attacked J. P. Feaster, a boiler-maker at Birmingham, late last night near the Louisville and Nashville shops.

Trade on the Louisville-St. Louis division of the Southern will be tied up completely at 12:01 o'clock Thursday morning unless a settlement is reached between representatives of the Big Four brotherhoods and an agreement on the roads is reached.

At Huntington, W. Va., a second attempt to dynamite a Chesapeake and Ohio railroad bridge was frustrated when a truck carrying dynamite exploded from the trestle. They left a box of dynamite and forty feet of fuse.

Linenmen for the Missouri and North Arkansas railway discovered an obstruction on the tracks near Harrison, Ark., and removed it ten minutes before a train passed.

San Bernardino, Calif., remained in a high state of excitement over renewed outbreaks in the Achison, Topock and Santa Fe yards. A striking electrician was killed and another striker perhaps fatally wounded in a running pistol fight with a negro waiter employed at the commissary inside the Santa Fe enclosure. According to police the negro said he employed a pistol at five men who followed him from the shop gates. A strong guard was thrown around the jail where the negro was held.

A hotel at Smithfield, Pa., where twenty-five railroad workers were quartered, was bombed early today. A miners' bunkhouse also was damaged by an explosion. State police arrested 16 men after an attack on non-union miners. Ten men were injured in the fighting.

GERMANY UNLIKELY TO PLEDGE FOR ESTS AND MINES TO PAY DEBT

Berlin, Aug. 22.—Minister of Finance Hermes was reported today to have left no doubt in yesterday's deliberations with members of the Reparations Commission that the pledging of state forests on the left bank of the Rhine and state mines in the Ruhr district as guarantees for the payment of German reparations was impossible.

It is estimated that on the basis of 1200 marks to the dollar, present value, the combined capital stock reserves, realty and building fund reserves of the eight major banks of Greater Berlin, represent a gold value slightly less than \$5,000,000 although these assets are entered on the last balance sheets of the banks as worth 4,772,000,000 marks.

Germany's unpaid reparations debt is estimated at 120,000,000,000 marks. The slump in the mark is accelerating the practice of invoicing on the dollar basis by most of the export firms.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hombmann, "what do you think of making use of 'white coal' to produce a smoke screen in the operations of the enemy?" "It 'ud be a good 'ol like an ostrich sticking its head in the sand to hide itself—wouldn't it?" responded Hiram. "Such is the verdict of the maharajah of Ralpipla, said to be the richest man in India, who sailed for his home after a visit in America. The prince, who is only 27 years old, came here to stay 10 days. He was fascinated, however, mostly by American women and remained a month. He found so much entertainment here that he said he just couldn't tear himself away. Next to the women the thing that impressed him most was the skill of American polo players."

STRONG ATTACK ON FORMER PREMIER

Civil Service Delegate Brands Mr. Meighen's Statement as Fabrication—Denies 100 Per Cent. Salary Increase—Congress Journal Criticized

(By Canadian Press) Montreal, Aug. 22.—Ex-Premier Meighen's statement to organized labor in reply to the latter's plea for a reorganization of the civil service was labelled "a complete fabrication," as an official publication of the Congress Journal, which was clearly an "upset locomotive" and characterized the railroad charges that the wreck was the result of a "hastily patched up explanation to place the blame for loss of life upon the striking shipmen instead of on the railroads" which was "a part of the wreck reported each day from various parts of the country." The coroner's jury which found that the engineer and fireman of the wrecked train were "clearly a result of a plot to wreck the train." Federal investigation of the wreck was continued today. Agents under orders from the department of justice took a number of striking shipmen into custody at Gary for questioning.

THREE SAID TO HAVE CONFESSED

Trial of Men in Buffalo Dynamite Case Set For Sept. 6—1,000 Sticks of Explosive Stolen.

Buffalo, Aug. 22.—Police investigating the recent attacks with dynamite on the trolley company here learned that one thousand sticks of the explosive had been stolen from a magazine near Lockport in Niagara county. Much of it is still unaccounted for. The six men now under arrest accused of having or transporting explosive without a permit were arraigned yesterday and had their cases adjourned until September 6. They are Robert Lacey, former president of the Central Labor Council of Buffalo, and five other employees of the traction company. It is reported by the police that three of the prisoners have made confessions implicating the others.

SLIGHT TROUBLE ON THE MAJESTIC

New York, Aug. 22.—The Majestic, largest ship afloat, which left Southampton for New York last Wednesday, had to be delayed because of repairs which had to be made in her engine room.

PLANE ARRIVES AT NASSAU

Nassau, New Province, Bahamas, Aug. 22.—The United States seaplane piloted by Lieut. Hinton, which left West Palm Beach yesterday morning on one leg of its journey from New York to Rio Janeiro, arrived here at 1:35 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. E. J. Fisher, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—Pressure is highest along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts and low over the central portion of the continent. The weather has been mostly fair and cool throughout Canada.

Fair and warm. Maritime—Moderate winds, fair and moderately warm today and Wednesday. Gulf and North Shore—Moderate fresh winds, fair today, partly cloudy with showers in a few localities tonight and Wednesday, moderately warm.

New England—Partly cloudy tonight, warmer on the mainland, Wednesday unsettled, probably showers, light to moderate south to southwest winds.

Operators and Workers Meeting Today at Sydney

Expect Today's Session Will Be Only Preliminary.

Those at the Conference—U. M. W. Executive in Secret Session, Discussed Question of Minimum Wage.

(By Canadian Press Staff Correspondent) Sydney, N. S. W., Aug. 22.—A preliminary conference between officials of the U. M. W. District 26 looking to a settlement of the Nova Scotia coal strike began at the British Empire Steel Corporation's general offices here at noon today.

It was stated that this first meeting was regarded by the both sides as merely a preliminary, and adjournment until Wednesday was expected. The conference will be satisfied if they get a few of the rough spots ironed out of the situation this afternoon.

At the conference will be D. H. McDougall, E. P. Morrill, H. J. McCann, A. S. McNeil and F. W. Gray for the company; President Livingstone of the U. M. W. executive will be accompanied by Col. G. S. Harrington, their legal adviser; and it is considered practically certain that D. A. Cameron will be present on behalf of the provincial authorities.

U. M. W. EXECUTIVE. On the arrival of the morning express, bringing mainland members, the U. M. W. executive went into secret session at the Vidal Hotel. They discussed the irreducible minimum upon which they are prepared to effect a settlement with the operators at the conference today.

The night passed quietly in the coal field with no reports of disturbance or damage to property. The almost continuous three day rain has kept the bulk of the strikers indoors, although the pickets under semi-military discipline carry on as usual.

McKenzie Returns. Ottawa, Aug. 21.—Hon. D. D. McKenzie, solicitor general, who represents north Cape Breton and Victoria, part of the coast till the strike is adjusted, Sydney Mines and several other fields are in his constituency.

The wife said: "Mrs. Wakefield wrote me a letter five or six weeks ago, when I was in a sanatorium, asking me to come to her home. She told me that she was in love with my husband, and that he and she had both told me that it was a bargain and they left in her car for a camping trip in the Lake Tahoe district."

The husband said: "Long before this episode my wife told me that she did not love me any longer and intended to secure a divorce. She had been ill with tuberculosis, and was a patient at a Stockton Sanatorium. Mrs. Wakefield and I brought her back to Sanaulito, and it was there we were living happily together. There was no concealment."

Mrs. Wakefield told my wife in the presence of my mother that she loved me and would marry me if we were free. There was no longer any love between myself and my wife, and yet we were all friends. It was the plan that everything should be done for my wife's comfort and happiness, and up to now no objection has been made.

Mrs. Wakefield is described as "thin, fair and good-looking." She is the mother of three children from her marriage with Spreckels. The oldest is nineteen.

UPHOLDS GREAT BRITAIN'S STAND

London, Aug. 22.—(Canadian Press)—Right Hon. Macpherson, minister of pensions, in a speech at Plockton, said that once again the nations of Europe had met in conference and once again the unequal voice of Great Britain had sounded its earnestness for caution, prudence and sanity. Great Britain's attitude, he said, would command the respect of all right thinking men. Great Britain said the minister, could never be disloyal to an old ally and he for one was for complete unity with France and the whole world was an effective peace.

RUSSO-FRENCH NEGOTIATIONS ARE REPORTED DEVELOPING. London, Aug. 22.—The Riga correspondent of the Times says it is reliably reported that serious Russo-French negotiations are developing in Berlin. Paris and Moscow and that the appointment of M. Tchitcherine as Soviet envoy in Paris is almost certain.

LABORITES TOLD THAT \$50,000,000 IS AVAILABLE FOR RELIEF WORK

London, Aug. 22.—(Canadian Press)—The national government and the municipalities between them have directly found fifty million pounds for relief work. Minister of Labor T. J. MacNamara told a deputation of laborites, who reiterated the accusation that the department lacked practical sympathy towards unemployment. This sum is in addition to the relief accruing from the operation of unemployment insurance.

The minister also pointed out that credits totalling £16,250,000 had already been sanctioned to relieve unemployment. The Birmingham unemployment army who hiked to London to appeal to the minister of labor, declare that they were much satisfied with their interview, and that they now propose to interview the premier.

The premier is resting himself in his beloved Criccieth although incidentally he seems to be suffering willfully from the attentions of press photographers. It seems entirely unlikely that he will return to London to see the hikers.

AUSTRIAN CRISIS EXPECTED SOON

Austrian Government Said To Be Forcing Events.

May Appeal to League of Nations For Fusion With Germany—Union With Italy Also Advocated.

Vienna, Aug. 22.—Chancellor Seipel's sudden visits to Prague, Berlin and Rome are said here to mean the determination of the Austrian government to force events and bring the country's situation to a precipitate head rather than continue in a drifting policy.

It is understood that the chancellor will flatly inform the premiers of these three countries that a collapse is morally certain and is near at hand. He will point out the danger of this eventually to the three neighboring states and ask them what action they are prepared to undertake, when the crash comes.

Upon Seipel's return to Vienna he is expected to convolve the national assembly and is expected to present before it the assembly's approval to appeal to the League of Nations for the fusion of Austria with Germany or for the voluntary partition of the country.

A Serious Situation. Should this programme be carried out, it is believed in the best informed foreign quarters here that a most serious situation would result, inasmuch as all the openly discussed plans for partition have failed to find an answer to the question of what would become of Vienna.

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Count Czerin today openly advocates the immediate consummation of the fusion with Italy, both economic and political. Workmen's Demonstration.

Vienna, Aug. 22.—A spontaneous demonstration by unemployed workmen yesterday betrayed the iron tension now existing in Vienna. High windows crashed shut as if by a signal, and the populace faded from the street. The police turned out in force, but beyond a few easily suppressed scuffles there were no disorders.

The unemployed men, however, served an ultimatum that if their demand for reduced prices were not granted, the police will not be able to stop them a second time from giving vent to their despair.

RAILWAY MEN AT OTTAWA MEETING

Many Questions of Interest To Workmen To Be Taken Up During Week.

Ottawa, Aug. 22.—(Canadian Press)—The sessions of the Canadian Legislative Board of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, opened their seventh annual meeting here yesterday, about one hundred delegates are present from different parts of Canada.

Among the questions to be taken up during the week's duration of meetings are:—

Industrial dispute act of 1907, its application, interpretation and amendments; Amendments to immigration act with a view of dealing with Asiatic immigration, deportation and the bringing in from Europe of immigrants under present industrial conditions; Amendments to the railway act. The powers of the board of railway commissioners; The dual payment of income tax by Canadian railway employees engaged in international service, both Canada and United States collecting income tax from such men; Political action by railway employees in regard to the Hanna order; The appointment of railway employees on the new Canadian National Board; The supporting of the nominee of the organizations which met in Montreal a few weeks ago in regard to the C. N. R. board. The nominee is T. M. Spooner, of Winnipeg, general chairman of the firemen of the Canadian Northern road.

Compensation for government employees should be divorced from the present situation of coupling up with the inter-colonial providence fund; Increasing the scope of the mother's pension act; Compensation for accidents on a state insurance plan; Safety appliances, the regulation of excessive hours of labor, more rigid inspection of locomotive boilers, equipment of mechanical stokers, power grate shakers, automatic fire box doors, electric lights on locomotives and more inspectors.

RECORD FOR STATE LOAN IN INDIA

London, Aug. 22.—(C. P. Despatch).—According to a despatch from Reuters' correspondent at Calcutta, India is not in such a poverty-stricken condition as is depicted by several extremist journals, judging from the result of the government's new loan. More than £30,000,000 has been subscribed, constituting a record for state borrowing in India for a single year.