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MINE OWNERS AND MEN MEET LLOYD GEORGE

Conference This Afternoon at Premier's Invitation

Revival of Hope of Early Settlement But Unemployment Increases—Crisis Now in Engineering Industry is Possible.

London, April 22—British mine owners and leaders of the Miners' Federation of Great Britain will meet Premier Lloyd George this afternoon to discuss the coal crisis.

The meeting will be held at the invitation of Lloyd George. A conference of the miners' delegates, which was to have been held today, has been adjourned until tomorrow.

Decision on the question of empowering the executives of the miners' federation of Great Britain to enter new negotiations with British mine owners had been expected when the national conference of miners' delegates assembled here today.

The unexpected turn of events which came with the announcement this morning that the miners' conference had been postponed to tomorrow, while owners and union leaders were to meet the premier this afternoon, had revived hope of an early settlement.

Lloyd George conferred late last night with chiefs of the labor movement and others, as to the possibility of the government assisting in bringing about an agreement. This afternoon's meeting is taken to indicate that the premier is not yet at the end of his resources as a peacemaker.

Official figures on unemployment last night placed the total at 1,686,900, an increase of 71,300 over last week. It was said in the coal exchange that several cargoes of United States coal were on the way to British ports, that French coal had already arrived and that Belgium was releasing coal for England.

It was asserted that Germany was offering coal at Swansea at half the price of the best Welsh product, while South African coal was going to Mediterranean ports.

It was officially said that forty-five coal mines had been flooded as a result of the absence of pumps and engineers from the pits, and that further cuts in train service would be effective on Sunday.

And The Crisis. Another crisis has arisen in the engineering industry over proposed wage cuts amounting to £12,500,000 and affecting 800,000 workers. A conference of employers held here yesterday adjourned for a week.

The Scottish trades union congress in session at Aberdeen has passed a resolution supporting the miners and recording the condemnation of the Congress of the government's "treacherous and bitter anti-labor attitude."

Decisions were made that a general labor conference be called for the purpose of considering united action.

In the absence of any signs of an agreement overnight between the government and miners, the newspapers this morning printed gloomy editorials on the subject. The Daily Telegraph said the country was "committing industrial suicide; scores of additional plants will close down over the week end and thousands more will be made idle."

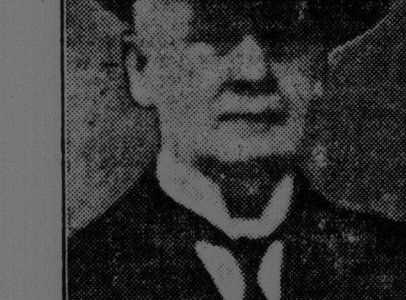
U.S. MOVE IN CANADA PULP WOOD MATTER

Washington, April 22—A joint resolution authorizing appointment by the president of a commission to confer with Canadian authorities with a view to cancellation of an order-in-council restricting export of pulp wood to the U. S., was introduced yesterday by Chairman Porter of the house foreign affairs committee. It is similar to the measure introduced at the last session, and one on which final action was not taken.

LIKELY TO DROP THE JUDGE LANDIS CHARGE

Washington, April 22—Impeachment charges against federal Judge Landis of Chicago, growing out of his acceptance of the post of supreme arbiter of organized baseball will be dropped in the House unless new charges are made on the floor.

GEORGE ROSS.



For twenty years he has been chief post office superintendent, with headquarters in Toronto. He is now appointed general superintendent of the postal service branch, with jurisdiction over the whole service outside Ottawa in all its ramifications.

HARDING ADDRESSING CONGRESS



The sixty-seventh United States congress being addressed by President Harding for the first time.

MAJ. GEN. MEWBURN.



Appointed chairman of the parliamentary committee to investigate government railways and mercantile marine.

CAN'T SAY HE IS DEATH WAGON MAN

New Yorkers Fail to Identify Ligo in Connection With Wall Street Explosion.

Saratoga, Pa., April 22—Three New Yorkers, who came here at the request of the department of justice failed today to identify Tibbo Ligo, under arrest here as the driver of the "death wagon" that figured in the Wall Street explosion last September.

The trio, who declared they had seen the driver, had expressed belief, when shown pictures of Ligo, that he might be the man, but when they visited him in his cell, they shook their heads.

Ligo appeared today at a hearing before Federal Commissioner Ellis to answer a charge of evading selective service during the war.

Meanwhile his attorney prepared to apply for a writ of habeas corpus to free him.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently:

L. E. Brittain to G. E. Brittain, property in Tower street.

J. P. Brittain to F. A. Riley, property in Tower street.

A. Glynn to E. Hogan, property in Waterloo street.

D. Coughlan to Mary E. Coughlan, property in Lancaster.

Mary C. Hetherington and husband to H. A. Pierce, property in Charlotte street.

Heirs to Margaret Gibson to H. M. The King, \$5,000, property at Red Head.

W. H. McCormick to Mary L. McCormick, property in Simonds.

Kings County. G. A. Babcock, trustee, to H. A. Wallace, property in Greenwich.

As Hiram Sees It



"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "are theadder-tongues in bloom down among the beeches and along the fence below the house?" "Well," said Hiram, "I'd say another day's sun 'ud make a patch of yellow down there that you'd like to see. I kin see signs o' spring now and more every day. Hanner had a letter from Boston tellin' about the leaves bein' out an' flowers in blossom, but ours is a-comin'." "I seen a little feller goin' along the road with some trout on an' twig yesterday—got down on an' sniffed the air."

BISHOP'S HOUSE IS SET AFIRE

Attempt at Residence in Killaloe, Ireland

Allegation That There is Connection Between Bolsheviki and Sinn Feiners—New York Tribune Editorial Comment.

Cork, April 22—An attempt was made on Wednesday night to burn the residence of the Most Rev. M. Fogarty, Lord Bishop of Killaloe, Ennis. The front of the house was well ablaze. A petrol soaked cloth lay near the front door. Five men were seen fleeing. They were arrested. A neighboring residence was burned to the ground a little while before the bishop's house was set on fire.

At Queenstown police assistance was requested to regulate the lines. A considerable proportion of the emigration has been of young women.

Dublin, April 22—John Reilly, a former soldier, was taken from his home by armed men last night and shot dead on the road at Ballycar. One civilian was killed and another wounded when the party of which they were members was discovered by a military patrol in the act of destroying a bridge on the Burtonport railway on Wednesday night every station was raided and the train found were carried away or burned.

New York, April 22—(Canadian Press)—In an editorial, discussing the recent Sinn Fein murder of an Irish woman in County Monaghan and the report, published on the same day that 1,000 Irish immigrants for the United States had embarked at Queenstown, the Tribune this morning says:

"The steady immigration from Ireland and the continuance of efforts to subvert this country in Irish troubles suggests several things. One is that many Sinn Fein counties have not sufficient sympathy with present Sinn Fein sentiment to wish to stay and help it. Another is that Sinn Fein still relies on America to finance its campaign of terrorism and that the voyagers from Ireland will be asked to revive in safe America an aggressive enthusiasm for an anarchic aim that they have fled from.

"Let us look to ourselves. Without American dollars Sinn Feinism probably long ago would have ceased, many men would have died and the millions of women now dead would not have been adjusting herself to self government that Canada enjoys or be in a peevish state of evolution toward that quasi-dependence.

"Those who encourage Sinn Fein or Ulster extremists to continue the tragic city of a hopeless guerrilla revolt assume a serious responsibility. Not only do they disregard the American principle of non-interference with the domestic affairs of another country, but they may ask themselves whether or not they are aiding and abetting murder."

EGYPTIAN MARKET FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA LUMBER

Victoria, B. C., April 22—Efforts to build up a permanent market for British Columbia lumber in Egypt and neighboring countries are to be made by the Egyptian railway, according to word received by Hon. J. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, from Major Fisher.

Premier Briand is backing up France's effort to get the Olympic games in 1924.

Seven Year Old Incident Told Of At The Perry Trial



Bricklayer Recounts Talk With Mrs. Perry About Disarranging Cellar Steps—Said She Suggested it so as to Cause Injury to Captain—Clergyman Says Reconciliation Was at Wife's Request.

HON. MR. CARVELL AND THE UNIONS

Blames Manipulation by Big Railway Organizations for Present Problem.

Saskatoon, April 22—Referring to criticism of the last award of the railway commission, leveled by Hon. Senator Robertson, Minister of Labour, in the House recently, Hon. E. B. Carvell, chairman of that body, addressing the Canadian Club here last night, blamed manipulation of working conditions by the big railway unions for the present railway problem.

The big unions have so manipulated working conditions," he said, "that they have got the railway companies in their grip. They can't do a thing. If the people of Canada are willing to stand for this kind of thing, then they should pay for it."

As a remedy, he suggested a round table conference of business men, workers and officials, a reduction of wages, not on rigidly conditions and an adjustment of the scale of working conditions.

SIR EDWARD CARSON TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL?

London, April 22—(By Canadian Associated Press)—A report that Sir Edward Carson has accepted a high court judgeship, turns out to be unfounded.

Political gossip says that he will probably become a member of the Judicial committee of the House of Lords and privy council at a salary of £2,000 a year.

DUTCH LIQUOR BILL

The Hague, April 22—The second chamber of parliament yesterday approved by a vote of 29 to 11 a bill in favor of local option for the sale of alcoholic liquors, except wine containing over 22 per cent, and other beverages containing under fifteen per cent.

Herz Stegwald, who on Wednesday resigned as premier of Prussia, was yesterday re-elected to that position by the Prussian diet.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

TWO YEARS IN PENITENTIARY

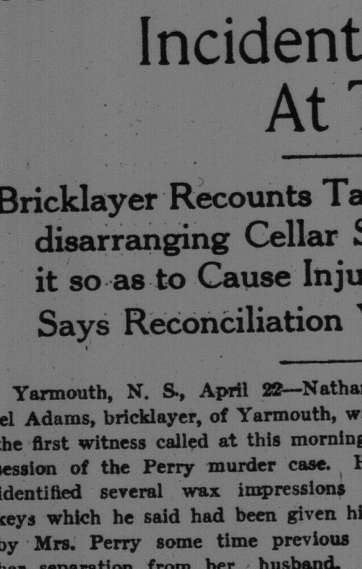
Fredericton, N. B., April 22—Harry Storey of Toronto, was sentenced to two years in Dorchester penitentiary today for the murder of a woman.

He was charged with obtaining money under false pretences by soliciting ten cents at the doors leading through the city market houses for having the body of her husband to his knowledge, was the day preceding the funeral. Her only remark was made when pointing to an old scar on the captain's face, she had said "he was hurt in a driving accident."

He said he felt sure that the iron bar was not in the tub on the back porch on the occasion of his first round.

Cross-examined by Mr. Landry, the witness said that he did not know whether the doors leading through the city market houses, upstairs or down, were open or shut when the experiment was made with the falling body. An endeavor had been made to re-enact the circumstances of the tragedy. Mrs. Perry and the others in the Perry household had afforded him every facility in conjunction with his examinations and had answered all question put to them. (Continued on page 6, sixth column.)

NEW INTEREST TO CONFERENCE ON REPARATIONS



Germany's Effort to Have the United States Intervene

Latter Refuses But Suggests Resumption of Negotiations—Refusal to Transfer Gold—France Regards Play As Germans' Last Card.

London, April 22—Dramatic efforts on the part of Germany to induce the United States to arbitrate the reparations question and the refusal of the Washington government have lent new interest to Sunday's conference between Premier Briand of France and Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain.

The expressed desire of the United States that there be an "immediate resumption of negotiations," has brought into the situation a new element, as it has been popularly supposed the two premiers would merely consider plans for further occupation of German territory, and not a renewal of exchanges between London and Paris and Berlin.

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Germany, at the same time the appeal to Washington, sent a communication to the Allies rejecting the demand that the gold holdings of the Reichsbank be turned over to the Allies under the Versailles treaty.

Dr. Walter Simons, German foreign minister, will speak in the Reichstag next Monday or Tuesday. It may be that he will outline the terms Germany will offer in her attempt to avert an invasion of the Ruhr region by the French, and the enforcement of additional penalties by the Allies.

"The Last Card." Paris, April 22—Germany's appeal to Washington caused little surprise here. It had been more or less anticipated and was taken as evidence that Berlin had reached the limit of her powers of resistance. Absolute confidence that the United States will do the right thing was expressed by newspapers.

The Echo de Paris summed up this unanimous view by saying: "Panic because of the penalties, the effect of which they understand, the Germans seek shelter behind American mediation. That is their last card, and that President Hindenburg's plain words regarding the right of France to full reparation for damage, the chances of German success appear so feeble due to play it thus again is pretty well up."

Bejin, April 22—Widespread confusion in freight and passenger traffic is reported from points in the occupied Rhineland zone as a result of the inauguration of the Allied customs control.

The chief cause of confusion is ascribed to the absence of organization, for which the French are supposed to be responsible.

GOT TURNIPS BUT NO WHISKEY

Now Proceeds Against Montreal Men, Charging False Pretences.

Montreal, April 22—Yesterday Jacob Finestone and J. Lett of Montreal were charged with false pretences in having obtained from Abraham Freeman of Pittsburgh more than \$8,000.

Freeman complained that he had shipped liquor from the accused to be shipped over the border in a cartload of turnips; that the turnips appeared, but no whiskey. The case was continued to April 27.

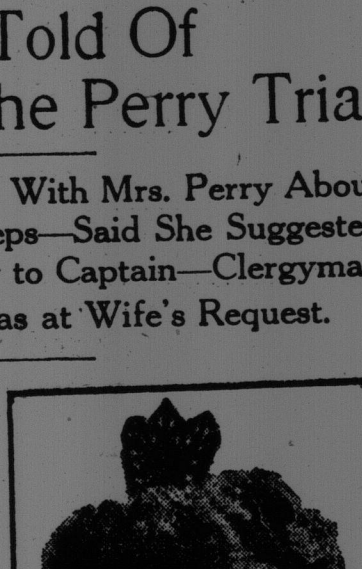
REPLY SOON ON CIVIL SERVICE BONUS MATTER

Ottawa, April 22—That the matter would be given due consideration and a reply issued soon was the response of the government to a delegation of civil service representatives asking for retention of bonus at the old rate.

ROME CELEBRATES 2,674TH BIRTHDAY

Rome, April 22—Rome yesterday celebrated the 2,674th anniversary of her foundation, and the city was gay with hunting. The most important feature was a gathering of all the extreme Nationalists, known as Fascisti, in the Piazza.

OPIMUM, LIQUOR AND OTHER CASES



Variety in the Proceedings in the Police Court This Morning.

In the police court this morning David Truchberg, a Rumanian from Montreal, was charged with unlawfully having opium in his possession. He pleaded not guilty. Detective Biddiscombe told of going to the office of the C. P. R. Inspector Henry Catlow, King street, where he saw the accused. There was a bottle on the table. The accused took a drink out of it and said it was medicine he was taking to cure himself of the drug habit. In consequence of information the detective said he arrested the accused. Before he was arrested the detective said the accused told him the bottle contained a mixture of opium and other ingredients which he said he was taking to cure himself of the habit. He said he ago on a drug charge and that he was in St. John to see a person who was also recently convicted here under the drug act. At the request of the prosecutor, the case was postponed until Monday. J. A. Barry appeared for the accused.

Joseph Doody, was charged with allowing Joseph Grant to use his premises in Main street, for the unlawful disposal of liquor. Inspector Thomson told of going to the beer shop of the accused with Inspector Journey and on searching Grant finding a bottle containing what he called intoxicating liquor although Grant said at the time it was only beer. Inspector Journey told of going into the shop and that a man was about to dump a glass into the sink. The inspector had he succeeded in rescuing the glass which he said had a strong odor of liquor.

W. M. Ryan, counsel for the prosecution, amended the information to read, "For unlawfully keeping liquor for sale in his place of business." A fine of \$300 was paid.

Case against Fred Martin and Joseph Cullinan, charged with stealing fowl, was resumed and George F. Cunningham and Herbert S. Francis, both of the city market, told of buying fowl from one of the accused. The prisoners were sent up for trial.

A juvenile on suspicion of stealing a bicycle from Roland Thomas, a Western Union messenger, and Fred Titus and Harold Mann, charged on suspicion of stealing a bicycle from Vanwart Polley, valued at \$32; also on suspicion of stealing two rabbits and one bundle of sticks, the property of the Rockwood Park Association, and also on suspicion of breaking and entering the summer home of the Crescent Club and stealing eleven packages of cards and one baton, pleaded not guilty and were remanded. Roland Thomas, who lost his bicycle a few nights ago when he left it in front of the Western Union, searched the city but not finding any trace of the wheel journeyed to Carleton where he saw a lad with it. He got a policeman and handed the lad with the bicycle over to him. He said he had found the wheel in the bushes in Douglas avenue. Thomas left court wheeling his bicycle ahead of him and on reaching the street was soon out of sight around the corner on his way to work.

TRAFFIC MATTERS The attention of the police court this morning was taken up with a by-law case against D. H. Ryan, assistant superintendent of the C. P. R., for alleged causing of an obstruction at the C. N. R. crossing in Mill street by allowing C. P. R. cars to stand over the street longer than five minutes. The circumstances were explained and the matter postponed until tomorrow.

Murray Baird was reported by Police Magistrate for driving on the wrong side of King street. A fine of \$10 was struck but was allowed to stand.

OUT OF HOSPITAL

William Esty, who fell over a cliff at Pokok two weeks ago and was brought to the General Public Hospital suffering from a severe gash over his eye and injuries to his shoulder, was discharged from the hospital on Wednesday.