

NO NEW OFFERS HAVE BEEN MADE BY GERMANS

GERMANY HAS NOT MADE A NEW OFFER TO ALLIED POWERS

Official Dispatch From Berlin Denies Rumor.

PREPARATIONS PROCEEDING

France, Britain, Italy and Belgium Expect Occupation Next Week.

London, May 4.—A German official dispatch from Berlin this afternoon says there is no foundation for the report that Germany has made a new reparations offer to the Allies.

RUMOR IS DENIED.

London, May 4.—Reports that new German proposals relative to the reparations question had been received, which were current in this city last night, were denied this morning by Louis Loucheur, minister of liberated regions in the French cabinet and one of the principal figures in the French delegation attending the meeting of the Supreme Allied Council.

DEMANDS WILL BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH VERSAILLES TREATY

London, May 4.—The Allied governments' financial plan for Germany, which seemed to be a completed document yesterday, was being separated today by members of the reparations commission into two parts. One of these is the purely legal portion, conforming to the treaty of Versailles, while the other chiefly relates to the guarantee bonds, which it is planned to issue as security for the German payment, and the rates of interest upon these securities, these questions being outside the provisions of the treaty. It is not possible to determine yet precisely what specifications will be presented to Germany, but according to present intentions the reparations commission will send to the German Government Friday a bill of liabilities strictly in compliance with the peace treaty, while simultaneously the Allied governments will send another part of the plan, as a modification of the treaty favorable to Germany, and which she can accept or not.

It was explained today that what was being studied now were questions of form rather than of essentials.

GERMAN CABINET MEETS.

Berlin, May 4.—The German cabinet met this forenoon in anticipation of discussing developments at London. A meeting was held yesterday, but no action was taken relative to the reparations problem.

How long the Fehrenbach cabinet will continue in office is believed to depend on the nature of the ultimatum being sent to Berlin by the Allies and the attitude assumed by the Reichstag. The parliamentary situation had not been wholly clarified last night.

While the Berlin Government was not prepared for the refusal to transmit the German reparations proposal to the Allies, contained in the United States state department's reply to Foreign Minister Simon, received Tuesday, the foreign minister and his colleagues in the cabinet had hoped that the answer would be a trifle more precise in indicating the United States' interpretation of "clear, definite and adequate proposals." To this extent the United States' answer left the cabinet in a confused state of mind. It was stated.

Yesterday's cabinet meeting devoted four hours to informal consultation of the United States' reply and the reports coming in from the London conference. Speaking unofficially for the Government, a cabinet official later stated the reply had left the cabinet in a quandary in that it failed to point out the direction in which the German counter-proposals were lacking or unsuitable for transmission.

Germans Not Certain.

"We are not clear in our own minds," continued on Page Eleven.

ADOLESCENT ACT WILL NOT BE RIGIDLY ENFORCED IN LONDON OWING TO SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION

Every Student Between Fourteen and Sixteen Years of Age Will, However, Be Forced To Register With the Attendance Officer, Dr. George Weir.

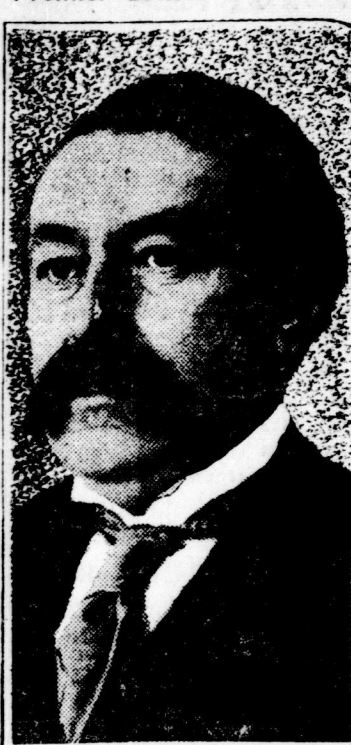
Preparations for enforcing the adolescent school attendance act are being made by Attendance Officer Dr. George Weir. The act comes into force in September. Under its provisions all children up to 16 years of age are compelled to attend school, unless granted permission by the attendance officer to absent themselves on the grounds that they are needed at home or to help support their families by working.

As adequate provision has not yet been made for the large increase in school attendance, which this will bring about, the measure will not be stringently enforced. Every student between 14 and 16 years of age will have to register with the attendance officer, however. He is making arrangements to have a temporary office in the board of education chambers, where the registration can be done. Every child between fourteen and sixteen years of age will be expected to apply there. If they wish they will be given certificates entitling them to remain at home or to work if they do not wish to attend school.

After September 1 employers will not be permitted to engage persons below 16 years of age unless the person can produce a certificate from the attendance officer.

Birth certificates will be needed to prove the age of the applicants. Dr. Weir suggested today that those who know they will have to apply should arrange for a copy of their birth certificate now. If they are unable to get one, a statutory declaration as to their age will be required.

Premier Briand of France



With Lloyd George, the French premier is arranging details of the steps to be taken against Germany in respect to reparations.

INSURRECTION IN UPPER SILESIA SPREAD RAPIDLY

Inter-Allied Commission Intervenes and Restores Peace.

Oppeln, Upper Silesia, May 4.—Organized Polish forces, estimated at 20,000, have occupied all of Upper Silesia south of a line running from Kosel to Tarnowitz, with the exception of a few large towns, and are moving further northward, according to information supplied by a member of the inter-allied representation here.

Warsaw, May 4.—The insurrectionary movement in Upper Silesia, begun suddenly Monday night, spread rapidly in the districts of Beuthen, Pless, Rybnik and Tarnowitz. According to the newspapers, a Polish civilian fighting organization occupied Katowitz and other towns after machine encounters with the Germans, but French troops finally controlled the situation.

Newspaper extra last evening reported eight Poles killed and sixteen wounded in the Katowitz region in clashes with the Germans, in which the Poles attempted to gain control of the districts bordering upon the Polish frontier. For a time the Poles were in power in these districts, but the inter-allied commission intervened and quiet was eventually restored.

Adalbert Korfanty, the Polish plebiscite commissioner in Upper Silesia, has been recalled because he exceeded his powers, it was announced today.

Warsaw dispatches of May 3, announced that Commissioner Korfanty has issued a proclamation criticizing the reported decision of the inter-allied commission assigning the greater part of Upper Silesia to Germany, the commissioner disclaiming responsibility for possible violence which he believed would follow confirmation of the rumors regarding the commission's award.

SINN FEINERS KILL CONSTABLE IN GLASGOW

Glasgow, May 4.—A police inspector was shot dead and a detective wounded here this morning in what is believed to have been the first Sinn Fein attack on the police in Scotland.

The Sinn Feiners fired on policemen who were escorting a van conveying a man to prison, killing Inspector Johnston instantly and wounding the detective. The assailants escaped.

SOMETHING WRONG

Warkworth, May 3.—That there is something wrong with economic and industrial conditions in Canada is the opinion of a Seymour Township farmer who sold ten sheep skins, two calf skins and one cowhide, but did not realize enough from the total proceeds to buy a pair of boots. Between the producer, who sells the raw material, and the consumer, who buys the finished product, there is apparently an immense volume of profits, which is not by any means entirely due to high wages.

Harding Cheered But Wilson Goes Without Notice

Washington, May 4.—A tall, erect man walked into a playhouse here Saturday night. The audience rose and stood respectfully until the tall man and the members of his party were seated in a box. Next he was craned and there was a flutter of excitement through the house when the cheers had subsided. It was the president of the United States.

Across the street a big black limousine drove into an alley at the rear of a vaudeville house. A burly chauffeur opened the door, and aided a bent, faltering, grey-haired man from the car. Leaning heavily on his cane and walking slowly, the bent old man, with a pallor on his face, entered the theatre. He was unnoticed by the crowds rushing to their seats. The old man, who was closely watched by a fine-looking woman slipped into a rear seat.

There were no cheers none stood in respect until he was seated in the last row. With his hands folded on his cane the bent old man watched the antics of the vaudeville artists with a faint smile appearing on his drawn face now and then.

It was Woodrow Wilson former president of the United States.

PLUMBING BYLAW NOW EFFECTIVE

Dr. O. I. Cunningham Receives Notice From Government.

CLEAR UP SITUATION

Conditions Will Be Much More Satisfactory, Is Claim.

Dr. O. I. Cunningham, chairman of the board of health today received notice from the Provincial Government that London's new plumbing bylaw has been approved and is now effective.

The measure is considerably modified from the one which the city originally adopted, but in the opinion of the chairman will have the effect of standardizing plumbing work in the city, as well as making it more effective.

Venting clauses are not emphasized to the same extent as in the previous bylaw. Master plumbers are not required to place a license fee.

Approval of the bylaw has cleared up an awkward situation for the city. While most of the plumbers have been complying with the city's requirements there was really no bylaw to compel them to do so and the plumbing inspector had little actual control over the work. His supervision of all plumbing work is now legalized and members of the board feel that conditions will be much more satisfactory than they have been for the past two years.

WANT SUNDAY HOURS FOR PUBS. CHANGED

London, May 4.—(Canadian Associated Press).—A letter asking the liquor control board to make the hours of opening for licensed premises on Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. instead of from 1 to 3 p.m. as at present, is published today over the signature of the Bishop of London and Mr. F. Harrington, latter a man who was originally destined to become head of an enormous brewing business. The letter declares that the present hours are driving the women to despair as the men will not leave till the pubs are closed.

THE WEATHER

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 54; lowest, 34.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 56; lowest, 36.

TOMORROW—SHOWERS.

Toronto, May 4.—8 a.m. Forecasts.

Fresh northerly winds, generally fair and moderately warm today; showers on Thursday.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures for the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:			
Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	58	40	Clear
Calgary	52	28	Fair
Winnipeg	54	28	Fair
Port Arthur	44	40	Cloudy
Farmington	60	46	Clear
Port Stanley	62	48	Cloudy
Buffalo	60	42	Cloudy
Toronto	62	50	Fair
Kingston	66	50	Fair
Ottawa	68	44	Fair
Montreal	64	48	Fair
Quebec	58	40	Clear
Father Point	52	40	Cloudy
St. John	54	42	Cloudy
Halifax	52	38	Cloudy

Weather Notes.

The depression which was in the South Atlantic States yesterday is moving slowly up the coast with increasing energy, while pressure remains high over Manitoba and the upper lakes region. A few showers have occurred in the maritime provinces, elsewhere in the Dominion the weather has been fair.

THE SHERIFF CALLS



—Fitzpatrick in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

APPROVE SUGGESTION THAT GUILTY PARTY IN DIVORCE CASE CANNOT MARRY AGAIN

London Ministers Approve Attitude of Senator Power in Canadian Senate—Absolutely No Warrant in the Bible For Remarriage of Divorced Persons, Says Rev. A. C. Bingham.

Representatives of several leading religious denominations expressed approval today of a suggestion made by Senator Power that the Canadian Senate place itself on record as considering it desirable that the guilty party in a divorce case shall not be permitted to marry again.

Rev. A. C. Bingham of the Anglican Church declared that the idea was quite in accordance with his study of the Scriptures. There is absolutely no warrant in the Bible for the remarriage of divorced persons, he said. He admitted that a citizen might have a different viewpoint if he did not take the Scriptures for a guide, but that this would hardly be proper in a Christian community.

While approving legislation to this effect Mr. Bingham expressed the view that the real solution to the divorce question was to be found in a more careful supervision of marriage.

Filed Three Days.

"I would suggest that applications for marriage licenses should be filed at least three days before the license is issued," he said. "Parents or guardians of the contracting parties could then be notified. If there was objection to the marriage all those concerned would have an opportunity to give the matter serious consideration before the marriage was performed. Proper provision would have to be made of course for persons of legal age who wished to get married even if their relatives objected."

"A requirement of three days' notice would prevent much of the trouble which is resulting in divorces today. I know of several particularly distressing separations which are due to this fact that the young couples were married without considering the seriousness of the step they were taking. If they had talked it over with their parents it is probable that they would all have been much happier."

Much Happier.

"Only recently I had a mother come to me to prevent a marriage of this kind. She had only heard a few months before that her daughter was to be married. The girl and her prospective husband were induced to talk the matter over and as the girl was not eighteen the marriage was postponed. Everybody concerned is much happier."

"Ministers are placed in an awkward position when a couple comes to them with a marriage license properly made out. It is rather awkward to doubt a young lady's statement as to her age. If the minister could be sure that the parents had been notified, it would be much better."

John Agnew of the Redoubt Street Methodist Church is the originator of the suggestion in the main. It pointed out that there might be some cases where it was not just and expressed the opinion that the grounds of divorce would have a great deal to do with it. As the sacredness of the home was the foundation of the nation, however, he approved of any legislation which would prevent the loosening of the ties.

Rev. D. C. McGregor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church was heartily in sympathy with the suggestion, particularly as applied to the guilty party in a divorce action.

Rev. Leslie Ambridge of St. James Church pointed out that the rules of the Anglican Church already prohibit the remarriage of divorced persons. He favored legislation which would make this more general.

CANADIAN PRESS, LTD., DIRECTORS' MEETING

Toronto, May 4.—The directors of the Canadian Press, Limited, are meeting today at the Prince George Hotel, the president, E. Norman Smith of Ottawa in the chair. Considerable business incidental to the gathering and transmission of news throughout Canada is to be taken up.

BOSTON WORLD'S FAIR, 1925.

Boston, May 4.—A proposal to hold a world's fair here in 1925 in commemoration of the Pilgrim tercentenary, has been postponed for legislative consideration next year.

CONTRABAND FOUND IN ALL PARTS OF GREEK STEAMER

New York, May 4.—Liquor and merchandise of great value, not included on manifests, were found by customs inspectors on two vessels docking here today. Hidden in life belt, life boats and other apparent places about the Greek Line steamer King Alexander inspectors said they found whiskey and a varied assortment of goods valued at almost \$100,000. So great was the amount of undeclared merchandise that the officials could not search the entire vessel, but posted guards pending a continuation today.

Bottles of whiskey and a number of inner tire tubes were found hidden under coal in the bunkers of the Atlantic Fruit Company's liner Glendola. Many of the tubes were filled with contraband liquor. When the inspectors became suspicious of frosted ice cakes, they broke them open and discovered more bottles frozen in the centres of the cakes. In all about 1800 quart bottles were found, four in ice blocks.

Blood Test May Decide Mother of Georgia Babe

San Francisco, May 3.—Dr. Albert Abrams, who has developed a blood test for paternity, may be called upon to play the role of King Solomon in a baby case that has been perplexing the courts of Atlanta, Ga.

Judge Graham, who accepted Dr. Abrams' test as a final in determining recently the parentage of Virginia Vitori, received from Judge William E. Arnall of Atlanta, Tuesday, a request for information regarding the Abrams electronic vibratory system, stating that it might be used to solve the "mixed baby" case involving a dispute between Mrs. Garner and Mrs. Pittman as to the parentage of a baby girl.

Judge Graham wrote the Atlanta jurist he was entirely satisfied with the results of the Abrams test in the Vitori case and forwarded to Atlanta the full report of the case.

MUST OBSERVE NEUTRALITY OF CONSTANTINOPLE

Greece and Sultan's Government Are Warned.

Constantinople, May 4.—Greece and the Sultan's Government have been notified by the allied high commission here that the neutrality of Constantinople and of the Straits must be observed. The Greeks were also informed that they must not attempt to exercise the right of search, nor the control of any allied merchant vessels. These steps were taken in order that recurrence of incidents similar to the search of a Japanese vessel here recently might be prevented.

TO RUSH WORK ON NEW COLLEGIATE

Operations To Commence Before End of the Week.

CONTRACTORS ON THE JOB

Have Just Completed Work at Westminster Hospital.

Building of the new Collegiate will be started before the end of the week, L. E. Carrothers, architect for the board of education, announced today. Messrs. Wright & Harvey of the Kingston Construction Company, which was awarded the contract, are in the city and are clearing up the final details in connection with the contract. It is expected that the document will be signed before 6 o'clock tonight.

The company's building equipment is already in the city as they just recently completed work at the Westminster Hospital. This will be moved to the Collegiate site at once.

Purchase of material will require some time, but it is certain that some phase of the work will be under way this week. Bricks and other material reclaimed from the burned building will be used in the new structure if approved by the architect.

The work will be rushed steadily ahead, as the company intends to have the building ready for occupation by January 1.

ARBITRATION BOARD MAKES REDUCTION IN WAGE SCHEDULE

Chicago, May 4.—A wage reduction of \$4.35 a week for each of the four major printing crafts in Chicago was announced today by an arbitration board four members of which were chosen by the employers, four by the unions, and a ninth selected as an arbiter by the others.

Failed to Get Quorum.

Ottawa, May 4.—(Canadian Press).—Failure to secure a quorum prevented the sitting of the committee on miscellaneous private bills this morning. There were five other house committees billed to meet before noon.

LORD NORTHCLIFFE



He celebrated the 25th anniversary of the founding of the London Daily Mail by entertaining the staff of all his papers, and several hundred additional guests at luncheon, at the Olympia, London. The participants numbered 7,500, the largest indoor luncheon ever given in London.

SURVIVORS FROM DESTROYED SHIP REACH SEATTLE

Column of Smoke Attracts Passing Steamers to Burning Vessel.

Seattle, Wash., May 4.—Forty-three of the 65 survivors of the Japanese freighter Tokuyou Maru, which burned to the water's edge yesterday off the Oregon coast, with a loss of eight lives, were in Seattle hospital today, suffering from shock and exposure. The remaining 22 survivors reported themselves already recovered from their experience. Only one body of the eight dead has been recovered.

The survivors reached here late last night aboard the United States army transport Buford. Officers of the transport and survivors told many dramatic stories today of the fire and their escape from the vessel.

The 22 survivors who reported themselves recovered were the only ones of the 65 who were able to get into the Tokuyou Maru's lifeboats, according to the Buford's officers. The others were rescued from the sea by officers and seamen of the Buford in the transport's small boats.

Capt. Kerr, master of the Buford, declared his ship had not received an S. O. S. from the Tokuyou Maru, but was attracted to the stricken ship by sighting the column of smoke.

COAL STRIKE WILL END IN A FEW DAYS

J. H. Thomas, Union Secretary, Leaving for New York.

Southampton, Eng., May 4.—A prediction that the British coal mine strike would be over in a week was made here today by J. H. Thomas, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen. Mr. Thomas was a passenger on the steamer Olympic sailing for New York. He is making the trip for the benefit of his health.

DIES OF BURNS.

Toronto, May 4.—Mrs. Mary Clarke, aged 66, whose clothes accidentally caught fire last night while alone in her room, died of burns and shock early this morning. The elderly woman, while moving about a gas heater in the room, did not notice the back of her kimono catch fire. When assistance reached her she had sustained injuries which proved fatal.

MIDDLESEX WOMAN BORN THE SAME DAY AS QUEEN VICTORIA EXPIRES TODAY

Mrs. Janet Fraser of Mooreville Dies at Age of 102 Years—Was Well Known Throughout McGillivray Township—Knitted Socks For Soldiers During War.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Lucan, May 4.—Mrs. Janet Fraser, aged 102 years, died at her son's home in Mooreville, a village 3 miles north of here, today at 11:45 o'clock. Mrs. Fraser was believed to be the oldest woman in the county of Middlesex. She had been in poor health since the first of this year, but previous to this was always active. She had lived in this vicinity for a number of years, and during the war spent practically all her time in knitting for the soldiers.

Mrs. Fraser was born on the same day as the late Queen Victoria. A birthday party was given her last year when 95 of her relations from points throughout Canada attended.

BEATTY SEES EARLY END TO COMMERCIAL DEPRESSION

Retiring Directors of C. P. R. Unanimously Re-elected.

FINANCES EXCELLENT

President Predicts Reduction in Wages and Operating Costs.

Montreal, May 4.—At the annual general meeting of the Canadian Pacific shareholders, held here today, the four retiring directors, E. W. Beatty, Hon. F. J. Belton, K.C., Charles R. Hosmer and Hon. William J. Shaughnessy, were unanimously re-elected. At a special general meeting immediately following the directors were authorized to issue bonds, debentures or other securities as they deemed fit and at such times as they should approve as collateral to the consolidated debenture stock. In this connection no amount was mentioned, but President Beatty stated that there was a total of 4 per cent. and there is still remained unissued \$57,000,000 of consolidated debenture stock. The annual meeting lasted 15 minutes and the special session 3 minutes.

The financial condition of the Canadian Pacific Railway is in excellent shape, and while the balance in the bank is not as large as it was at the end of the last fiscal year the amount is, nevertheless, a very substantial one, and there is still unissued or undisposed of over \$67,000,000 of consolidated debenture stock," said President E. W. Beatty in his address to the annual meeting of the C. P. R. shareholders at noon today. The assets statement now shows an increase since 1914 of an amount in excess of one hundred and seventy million dollars, Mr. Beatty added.

Proposal Accepted.

"Your directors recently accepted a proposal for the acquisition by London, England, interest of a substantial amount of the C. P. R. shares, and the venture stock at a price which was very favorable. This is the first application for the acquisition of debenture stock since 1914, and indicates the results of the operation of your principal capital security in Great Britain."

President Beatty stated that the general trade depression had reflected itself in the results during the present year's operation of the company's steamers, but the passenger business had been well maintained. He anticipated a reduction of wages and other costs of operation, conforming to the movement to this end in the United States, and expressed the belief that the present commercial depression would not be long continued.

MAGISTRATE GRAYDON VICTIM OF ACCIDENT

Sustains Broken Collarbone When Thrown From Horse Tuesday.

Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon sustained a broken collarbone when his horse stumbled and fell while he was riding on the fifth concession of London Township yesterday afternoon. The magistrate, who was thrown violently to the ground, is now confined to his home, 546 Queen's avenue. His condition is reported to be favorable.

On one other occasion, Magistrate Graydon was the victim of a similar accident. He had gone about a mile yesterday before he was injured, having taken his horse from the London Hunt Club stables.

PUT ON FINE PROGRAM.

St. Marys, May 4.—The St. Marys B. Y. P. U. gave a very interesting and enjoyable evening and took charge of the program which consisted of duets by Miss Martin and Miss Smith, and solos by Paul Morris and Robert Eades. The stellar attraction of the program was a paper on "Handel," by Miss Tena Martin. All spent a most enjoyable evening.

day as the late Queen Victoria. A birthday party was given her last year when 95 of her relations from points throughout Canada attended.

Mrs. Fraser is survived by five sons and one daughter—William of McGillivray, James and Charles of Detroit, Norman of Wyoming, George of Port Huron and Mrs. Thomas Lewis of the 11th concession of McGillivray Township.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

She has resided for some years with her son William of Mooreville.