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## LLOYD GEORGE AND BRIAND SAID TO BE IN DEADLOCK

### Disagree on Course to Follow With Germany

### Italy's Minister Seeks to Bring About Compromise But Without Success—Allied Council Takes up Critical Austrian Situation.

Paris, Jan. 25.—Conditions in Austria, which are described as "critical" were considered by the Supreme Allied Council, in session today. The possibility of an utter collapse of the Austrian government, with the attendant danger of anarchy and bolshevism, has been before heads of the Allied cabinets for several weeks, and the necessity of stabilizing affairs and giving Austria a chance to work out of her destiny was approved when the morning's sitting began.

While the representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium and Japan examined reports on the situation concerning Austria, allied military experts were formulating a report on the disarmament of Germany and the recommendations for the execution of German engagements in this particular.

It was expected yesterday that a settlement of the disarmament question would be quickly realized, but French newspapers assert that wide divergence of opinion developed between Lloyd George, Premier and the Allied experts. Decision has been reached by the experts that May 1 must be the limit of time given Germany in which to disarm her military organizations and surrender to the Allies the arms which the Versailles treaty provided should be given up.

Lloyd George, it is asserted, however, declared yesterday that Germany had already done so much that there was no longer any danger to the Allies. He is said to have asserted that the Allies should also consider the danger, internal and external, to Germany from bolshevism, and that May 1, was a particular time when the Russian Soviet armies were most to be feared. He advised, therefore, that it would be better to allow the plan adopted at Spa, and have the Germans before deciding this question.

Mr. Briand is said to have flatly refused to entertain this suggestion whereupon Count Sforza, Italian foreign minister tried to bring about a compromise between the views of the British and French leaders. He proposed that the conferences on a programme and then ask Germany to make any observations she desired.

Neither Lloyd George nor Mr. Briand would agree to this plan, and as a way out of the deadlock, the military experts were asked to make another report on the subject.

Lloyd George and Mr. Briand apparently are seeking to compose their differences in views relative to German reparations before this important topic is discussed by a full session of the council. They appear to be apart on the subject of at once fixing the amount of indemnity Germany must pay, or of leaving the exact amount for future determination and it is indicated that the problem of reparations may not come before the council for several days.

Paris, Jan. 25.—An unsuccessful attempt was made at a second session of the Allied supreme council to turn the Austrian financial problem over to the League of Nations.

The Allied conference this afternoon took up at once the Austrian situation. They gave a hearing to the Allied financial experts who had attended the Brussels financial conference, but no Austrian experts were called in. It was found the opinions of the various delegates in the conference were so divergent that a proposal was made to place the matter in the hands of the league of nations. This, however, was rejected.

It was understood this morning that the French and British military experts had reached a complete agreement on the report to be made by them on the disarmament of Germany. They were asked to prepare such a report after yesterday's discussion in which wide divergencies of opinion developed among the Allied conference.

At this afternoon's session the question of Greece, in her relation to the Near Eastern settlement was on the programme for the supreme council's consideration.



Left to right: Hon. Marguerite Shaughnessy, Miss Audrey Cook, Miss Sheila McLachlan, Lady Margaret Scott, Lady Rachel Canadish, Miss Sarah Cook, Miss Adelaide Beardmore, Miss Marion Cook, (Bride)—Pages—Masters Mark, Gerald and Desmond Farrel and sitting—Charles Farrel.

## FALL TO BOTTOM OF DEEP DIGESTOR AT THE PULP MILL

### Andrew Fox and Michael Cullinan of Fairville Were Hurt This Morning.

A fall of more than thirty feet into one of the digestors at Nashua Pulp Mill, Union Point, this morning, caused painful injuries to two Fairville men, which necessitated the removal of one of them to the hospital. That they escaped instant death is considered wonderful.

The digestors are large tanks about forty feet in depth in which the pulp wood is boiled. Andrew Fox and Michael Cullinan both of Main street, Fairville, were engaged in placing a new lining in one of the digestors. They were working on a swinging stage and were about eight feet from the top when the staging gave way and the two men, the stage and a quantity of bricks and other material crashed to the bottom of the tank.

Mr. Fox was the more seriously hurt. He received a broken nose, a broken ankle, cuts in the forehead and face as well as several bruises about the body and limbs and was generally shaken up. His condition, however, is not considered critical.

One of Mr. Cullinan's hands was painfully lacerated, and his wrist and forearm cut and he also suffered bruising about the body. As soon as the accident occurred, Dr. McCarthy, from the D. S. C. R. hospital in Lancaster was called in and rendered first aid. Mr. Fox was removed to the hospital and Mr. Cullinan was taken to his home.

SECOND PAIR-AWAY FROM HALIFAX ON A HIKE ACROSS CONTINENT  
Halifax, N. S., Jan. 25.—John and Clifford Behan, father and son, the second pair of hikers to leave Halifax for Vancouver within the last week, started off from the Halifax Herald building this morning. The elder Behan is a former postman. They express confidence in their ability to undertake Charles Burkman and Sid Carr, the first team to get away, who spent last night at Dorchester, N. B.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.  
Montreal, Jan. 25.—Very little trading took place on the local stock exchange during the first half hour this morning. ABIB and Atlantic Sugar were unchanged at 86 and 82 1/2 respectively. Brazilian too, was unchanged at 83 1/2, as was also Laurentide at 84. The only issue to change at all was Nardion, which opened at 137 1/2, after closing at 139 last night.

BOWMAN-JOHNSTON.  
This afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bowman, 72 Coburg street, when Mrs. Josephine Johnston, 36 Sydney street, was united in marriage to William E. Bowman, also of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Canon R. A. Armstrong in the presence of immediate relatives and the principals were unattended. The bride was attired in a navy blue traveling suit with hat to match. Mr. and Mrs. Bowman will go to Halifax on a short honeymoon trip and on their return will reside in this city.

## CUT IN GASOLINE AND ALSO KEROSENE PRICE IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Jan. 25.—A reduction of two cents a gallon in the price of gasoline was announced here today by the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, as a result of decreases in the price of crude oil.

At service stations the price dropped from 29 to 27 cents, and from tank wagons from 27 cents to 25 cents. Kerosene was cut from 16 1/2 to 15 1/2 cents a gallon.

HIGHER FERRY TOLLS UNDER CONSIDERATION  
Matter Being Looked Into at City Hall—Will Likely Affect Transients Only—Possibility of Change of Boats.

There is a possibility of the question of an increase in ferry rates being taken up again by city hall, so Mayor Schofield said this afternoon. He said the matter was now under consideration and although no definite plan had been outlined so far, the matter of leaving the regular passenger fares as at present and increasing the rate for transients was being looked into. The mayor was of the opinion that regular patrons might be allowed to purchase season tickets covering a certain period at rates about the same as at present, and occasional passengers charged at the advanced rates in cash tolls.

He said that he was also looking into the possibility of changing the boats around to economize in fuel. One of the boats burns but six tons a day, while the other about twice that quantity. He thought that some more economical arrangement could be made, even if it meant the selling of one of the boats and the acquiring of a smaller craft to replace it.

A FISHERIES COLLEGE TALKED OF FOR BOSTON  
Boston, Jan. 25.—Whether the old site of the New England seaboard can be taught new tricks by the application of scientific research to the fisheries that brought fame to Gloucester, Cape Cod and this port, is one of the things to be considered by the administrative committee of Massachusetts Institute of Technology in connection with a proposal to establish a fisheries college here.

The committee will have before it for consideration a report by Prof. S. C. Prescott of its staff, who has just returned from the Pacific coast where he made a study of a fisheries college operated in conjunction with the University of Washington.

He had been sent there by local fish interests. The college if instituted probably would be operated in conjunction with the fisheries of this port and Gloucester.

ONTARIO HAS 800 WIDOWS ON PENSION ROLL  
Toronto, Jan. 25.—There are now 800 widows on the payroll of the province. This is the total number of applications for mothers' allowances passed so far, out of 1,500 examined. Sixty applicants from Hamilton have already been passed.

POSITION OF OUR DOLLAR BETTER  
New York, Jan. 25.—Sterling exchange steady; demand, \$3,750,000; cables, \$3,800,000; Canadian dollars, 11 9/8 per cent discount.

VOTE \$50,000 MORE FOR RELIEF IN TORONTO  
Toronto, Jan. 25.—Toronto city council last night voted a second \$50,000 for unemployment relief; voted \$80,000 toward the deficit of the hospital for sick children, and referred to the board of control a resolution in favor of an increase in the salary of the mayor from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

EIGHT MINES AT GLACE BAY IDE  
Glace Bay, N. S., Jan. 25.—The first slump in coal production occurred today when eight mines were reported idle on account of shipping shortages. The Dominion Coal Company has sale for only 400 tons of coal a day, a large decrease from normal. From now on several of the collieries will be idle daily until such a time as the market is more favorable.

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

Synopsis—Pressure is highest over the Lake Superior district this morning while the weather is fair and decidedly cold from Manitoba to the maritime province. Milder weather prevails in Saskatchewan and Alberta.

## As Hiram Sees It

"Hoot, mon!" said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam. "I'll no deny it," said Hiram.

"Aren't these Scotchmen lucky beggars?" said the reporter of the hospital lanes.

"Ay," said Hiram, "the deil tak them—they frosted my ears the day."

"Now if any of the rest of us wanted a cold snap," said the reporter, "we couldn't get it—we'd get a wetting."

"I wudna say," quoth Hiram, "that the deil has too dry a spell—ye ken."

"Hoot, mon," said the reporter.

"Soopt'er up!" said Hiram.

"I'm thinkin'," said the reporter, "there'll be muckle din at the risks the day."

"Nae doot," said Hiram. "Ah'll be there mesel' part of the time."

"Will becom an' stane?" queried the reporter.

"Na, na," quoth Hiram—"but for the glory of Bonnie Scotland. Come away, Hiram, that doctors diagnose as sleeping sickness. He was taken to the hospital on Saturday afternoon. He has been ill for some time, although he had kept at work. This is the third case of sleeping sickness reported in the border cities."

ANNIVERSARY OF BURNS, POET OF SCOTLAND  
Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 25.—The 162nd birthday anniversary of Robert Burns, Scottish poet, will be celebrated tonight at the Atlanta Burns Club jointly with its own twenty-fifth anniversary in the only replica in the United States of the home of the famous poet, the replica of the shrine on the banks of the Doon in Scotland, is of granite with thatched roof and the interior modelled as nearly as possible after the original Burns cottage. It serves as a club house and library.

SCHWAB AND THE SHIPPING BOARD  
New York, Jan. 25.—E. M. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation was called today by the congressional committee investigating U. S. shipping board affairs to give further testimony regarding the \$260,000 personal expense voucher said to have been drawn in favor of Chas. M. Schwab.

## ATHENS, GA., HAS A GREAT FIRE

### Four Million Dollar Loss When Three Business Blocks Are Burned.

Athens, Ga., Jan. 25.—A large part of Athens' downtown business district was a mass of smouldering ruins today as the result of a fire which, early this morning, swept clean three entire city blocks and damaged adjoining buildings. It is estimated the damage to property amounts to at least \$4,000,000. No loss of life was reported.

The fire, of undetermined origin, broke out a little before midnight and it was five hours later before the combined efforts of firemen from this and nearby cities succeeded in getting it under control.

Rapid spread of the blaze was said to have been due to the explosion of gasoline drums in a downtown building. This scattered the flames beyond control.

Hundreds of persons struggled to save property; wagons, trucks and even wheelbarrows were loaded with merchandise and furniture taken from stores and offices.

Adding to the confusion and difficulties was a weakened water pressure at the fire plugs but this soon was overcome when extra facilities at the reservoir were brought into use. It was daylight before the conflagration was safely under control.

THE SLEEPING SICKNESS GETS ARTHUR PELKEY  
Canada's Heavyweight Champion Ill in Windsor, Ont.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 25.—Arthur Pelkey, heavyweight champion pugilist of Canada, now a member of the Ford police force, is in the Hotel Dieu today with what doctors diagnose as sleeping sickness. He was taken to the hospital on Saturday afternoon. He has been ill for some time, although he had kept at work. This is the third case of sleeping sickness reported in the border cities.

Restriction of Armament, However, Not Thought Matter of Early Action.  
Tokyo, Jan. 25.—Restriction of armaments will be considered by the Japanese government, should it be proposed by another nation but little hope is held out by Viscount Uchida, foreign minister, that there will be any immediate movement toward disarmament.

GOOD RESULTS OF JUVENILE COURT  
Montreal Officials Say City Has Less Juvenile Crime Than Any Other.

MAKE LANDLORDS OPEN HOMES TO THE KIDDIES  
Lansing, Mich., Jan. 25.—A bill making refusal of a landlord to rent his property to families with children a misdemeanor, punishable by a \$100 fine and ninety days imprisonment has been introduced in the Michigan legislature.

PAY BY WEIGHT FOR AN AIR TRIP  
Milwaukee, Jan. 25.—The Lawson Airplane Company, when it begins its Chicago-New York passenger and mail service next May will charge passengers according to their weight, so Alfred W. Lawson, president announced yesterday. Provision has been made for carrying passengers to the approximate weight of 4,000 pounds. He said no standard poundage of a passenger has yet been fixed.

KILLED BY TRAIN  
Quebec, Jan. 25.—Cleophas Boulet, 36 years old of St. Camille de Belchasse, was killed yesterday at that place by a train.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET  
Chicago, Jan. 25.—Opening—Wheat, March 1.70; May 1.60; Corn, May, 68 1/2; July 69 1/2; Oats, May 44 1/2; July 44 1/2.

## CHURCHILL'S NEW POST

Hon. Winston Churchill who according to a London despatch, is to succeed Lord Milner as secretary for the Colonies.

MISS G. A. BOYCE SEVERELY BURNED  
Clothing Caught Fire in Her Home in Sydney Street Last Evening.

Miss G. Annie Boyce, of 123 Sydney street, lies in a critical condition in the General Public hospital as a result of burns received in her home last evening. Her face and body were so badly burned that it was necessary to cut the clothing away from her.

As she was alone in the house at the time the accident happened, very little is known as to how it occurred, but it is thought that she was lighting a fire in a small stove in the living room when her clothing caught fire. Her predicament was discovered by some of her neighbors, who called in Dr. Mary E. McLeod, of Leinster Hall, who rendered first aid and had the unfortunate woman removed to the hospital. It was reported at the hospital this afternoon that little hopes are held out for her recovery.

MONTEAL STOCK EXCHANGE.  
Montreal, Jan. 25.—Officials of the juvenile court here declare that Montreal is freer from juvenile crime than any city in the dominion. The cause is said to be the establishment of several juvenile courts during the year and the constant flow of parents to the courts for guidance in the care of erring offspring.

SAYS METHODIST MINISTERS PREACH LESS; LIVE LONGER  
Boston, Jan. 25.—Methodist ministers live longer nowadays because they preach less, said Bishop Edward Hughes, at a meeting of the inter-denominational institute of evangelists yesterday. He said the increase in their years became marked about the time that intensive church evangelistic campaigns began to decrease. The bishop argued the need for the aid evangelistic campaigns with a sermon every night as the only solution for present day problems.

POLICE COURT  
Three protectionists sought shelter at central police station today for the night. James Williams, and Inspector Henderson testified. The latter said that on September 14, he went into the accused store and from his check-book a small bottle containing liquor. This evidence given was allowed subject. The case was postponed. W. M. Ryan conducted the prosecution and E. S. Ritchie the defence.

GENERAL MACBRIEN  
Major General J. H. MacBrien, C. B., C. M. G., D. S. O., chief of the general staff of the Canadian militia, left this afternoon on the early train for Montreal to make an official visit to military district No. 4. During the morning he was at local military headquarters. His visit to this district was very satisfactory and he was pleased with the showing made by the various units and particularly impressed with the interest by the officers for men joining the forces. He heartily endorsed the action of the officers in encouraging bowling and various kinds of sport during the winter months.