

TRIAL OF HUN WAR CRIMINALS BEGINS

URGES END OF TURKISH RULE OF EUROPEANS

United States Asked to Use Its Influence to Keep Sultan Out of Europe.

CHRISTIAN MARTYRS APPEAL FOR JUSTICE

Thirty Thousand Refugees at Russian Black Sea Ports Wish to Enter Turkey.

(Associated Press by Leased Wire.) Constantinople, Feb. 21.—Thirty thousand refugees are waiting at Russian Black Sea ports for permission from the Allied High Commissioners here to come to Turkey.

WOULD BAR ALL CANADIAN SHIPS

American Shipping Men Would Prevent Canadian Trade With Alaska.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Amendments to the coastwise navigation laws are needed to prevent Canadian railways participating through their ships in the trade between the United States and Alaska.

THE AGE LIMIT FOR FRENCH OFFICERS

Paris, Feb. 21.—A bill regulating the age limit of army officers has been introduced in the Chamber by the Ministers of War and Finance.

MONTCALM OUT OF ICE.

Quebec, Feb. 21.—A despatch from Montreal states that the steamer Montcalm pulled out of the ice yesterday afternoon and unless a change of wind occurs, she ought to reach Sydney some time tonight.

Western Farmers Convicted Of Connection With Frauds

The Ringleader of the Wakaw Farmers Charged With Elevator Frauds Sentenced to Four Years' Imprisonment—Accomplices Also Convicted.

(By Canadian Associated Press.) Prince Albert, Sask., Feb. 21.—George Worrobeth, ringleader of the Wakaw Farmers charged with elevator frauds in connection with the Progressive Farmers' Association, was yesterday afternoon sentenced to four years' imprisonment.

Germany Starts Actions Against War Offenders

Progress Made in Collection Documentary Material in Cases

THE CUSTOMARY SEVEN JUDGES

Accused Persons Who do Not Appear Will be Arrested.

(Associated Press by Leased Wire.) Berlin, Feb. 21.—Preliminary proceedings in a number of cases of Germans accused of violations of the laws of war have already begun, and progress is being made in the collection of documentary material.

The Minister said that accused persons would be tried at Leipzig by a court consisting of the customary seven judges. German witnesses will be heard in accordance with the prescriptions of criminal trial regulations and witnesses will be examined abroad if they do not care to come to Germany.

"The government, however, was not obeying the Entente's will in carrying out this trial," he asserted, "but is fulfilling the requirement of a civilized state and its own feeling of what was just."

CHILD CURED OF SLEEPING SICKNESS

After Being Afflicted for Eight Days Girl Aroused and Asked for Toast.

Quebec, Ont., Feb. 21.—A remarkable case of sleeping sickness being cured, is reported in this city. The two-year-old daughter of Alexander Craig was afflicted with sleeping sickness for about 12 days, being occasionally aroused sufficiently to take a drink of tea or water, but on the twelfth day she aroused herself and asked for a piece of toast. She went to sleep again, but continued to improve, and is now on the way to complete recovery.

STANDARDIZATION OF WOMEN'S DRESS

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 21.—Resolutions favoring the standardization of dress for business women in order to combat the high cost of living were adopted yesterday by the board of directors of the National Women's Association of Commerce in mid-winter conference here.

OTHER LATE NEWS.

For other late despatches and general news see page 6.

The German Answer Regarding War Crimes

(Associated Press by Leased Wire.) Paris, Feb. 21.—It is learned here that the German Government will send a detailed answer to the latest note of the Entente dealing with the trial of Germans accused of war crimes after the national assembly meets on February 24 and examines the statute relating to the question.

HUN DIPLOMAT AT FRENCH RECEPTION

The German Charge D'Affaires at Paris Meets Representatives of Other Nations.

(Associated Press by Leased Wire.) Paris, Feb. 21.—For the first time since the resumption of diplomatic relations between France and Germany, Dr. Wilhelm Mayr, the German Charge D'Affaires, was presented yesterday at a reception to the diplomatic corps at the Elysee Palace.

President Deschamps, in reply, asserted that the Government parlait haut and people of France would lend all their efforts to re-establish peace and bring back an era of tranquility and respect for treaties.

VATICAN TITLES FOR CANADIANS

Quebec, Feb. 21.—It is announced here today that His Holiness the Pope has conferred the title of Commander of St. Gregory the Great upon A. B. Dupuis, of Quebec, and Pierre Georges Roy, of Levis, and the title of Knight of St. Gregory the Great upon Joseph Gauthier, Cyrille Robitaille, Nazaire Fortier, of Quebec, and Benoit Lalonde, of Lyster, Que.

ILLEGAL LIQUOR SALES IN QUEBEC

(By Canadian Associated Press.) Quebec, Feb. 21.—R. Drouin, who pleaded guilty yesterday in the police court to selling liquor without a license, was sentenced to twenty days in jail by Mr. Justice Choquette. The judge, in condemning the accused, said the courts would be very severe in future for infractions of the law.

THE DIVORCE MILL GRINDS IN CANADA

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—Three more applications for divorce are listed in the Canada Gazette. Richard Simpson, Walkerville, seeks a decree from his wife, Mildred, on the ground of adultery. Lauretta Estelle Cook applies for release from Fred R. Cook, of Toronto, on the ground of adultery and desertion, and Marie Joanne Yvonne Albertine St. Arnaud Lalonde, Montreal, seeks a decree from Alexander Lalonde, also on the ground of adultery and desertion.

ONTARIO ADJUSTS COLLEGE SALARIES

Quebec, Ont., Feb. 21.—That the salaries at the Ontario Agricultural College are to be adjusted very shortly was announced yesterday by Hon. Manning Johnson, Minister of Agriculture. He stated that a reclassification of the whole staff of the O. A. C. is being made and will be completed in a few days. This classification will establish a new and much-improved basis of salaries.

COAL MINERS OF GERMANY TO SPEED UP

Employees Agree to Overtime Shifts, While the Mine Owners Will Increase Pay.

TOBACCO CONCERNS ARE CLOSING DOWN

Land Workers of Pomerania Exasperated at Eviction From Former Homes.

(Associated Press by Leased Wire.) Berlin, Feb. 21.—At a conference of employers and employees of the coal industry yesterday the mine owners agreed to overtime shifts for half the ordinary working hours on two days a week, while the mine owners promised increases in overtime pay of from fifty to one hundred per cent. The object is to speed up production.

Close Cigarette Works. Dresden, Feb. 21.—Employees in the cigarette factory here have been notified by the manufacturers that work in the establishment will cease on March 5.

Land Workers Exasperated. Berlin, Feb. 21.—Herr Von Braun, Prussian Minister of Agriculture, is quoted by the Tagesspiegel as saying that a very serious situation exists in Pomerania, because of the exasperation of numerous land workers who have received notices of dismissal, while the estates are occupied partly by armed Baltic troops. The newspaper says these incidents are inspired by reactionary political motives.

16 Cents Discount On Canadian Dollar. New York, Feb. 21.—The pound sterling was quoted at \$3.37 1/2 to \$3.40 on the exchange today. The Canadian dollar was held at a discount of 16 cents.

FRENCH ARE BUSY WITH WEDDINGS

Record-Breaking Reports from Many French Towns in Number of Marriages.

Paris, Feb. 21.—From many towns in France continue to come record-breaking reports of the number of marriages. In the little town of Albi, which has less than 25,000 inhabitants, weddings were celebrated last Saturday. Toulouse had 24 marriages the same day.

SIR AUCKLAND ON AMBASSADORSHIP

London, Feb. 21.—Sir Auckland Geddes, Minister of National Service and Reconstruction, who is reported to have been offered the Ambassadorship to the United States in succession to Viscount Grey, informed the Associated Press today that he was not aware of any decision regarding the naming of an Ambassador to Washington.

DISABILITY BILL IN THE U. S. SENATE

Washington, Feb. 21.—Congress reported still another disability bill for consideration yesterday. It proposes that thirty consecutive days' absence from the United States, or disabling illness for a longer period on the part of a President, would cause the Vice-President to assume the duties of office.

GOLD TO SOUTH AMERICA

New York, Feb. 21.—Recent heavy gold shipments to South America were explained yesterday by the statement that London is drawing on reserves here to make payment for purchases of grain and hides. The total amount shipped approximates \$50,000,000.

Carleton County Man Perished in Storm

(Special Despatch to The Daily Gleaner.) WOODSTOCK, N. B., Feb. 21.—A report reached here last evening that Edward McIntosh of Kirkland, Carleton County, perished in the big storm on Thursday night.

Washington Officials Do Not Consider the Situation Over The Adriatic Question Acute

Little Danger that United States Will Decline to Become Party to Versailles Treaty.

WILSON'S NOTE TO GO FORWARD TODAY

Negotiations With the Supreme Allied Council Expected in Friendly Spirit.

(Associated Press by Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 21.—Mr. President Wilson's reply to the note of the Allied Premiers on the Adriatic question almost ready for despatch, officials here have let it be known that they do not regard the situation as acute, nor do they expect that negotiations will take such a turn that the United States would be forced to consider whether it could become a party to the Treaty of Versailles.

The reply, which goes forward today, Acting Secretary Egan will send it to the White House for final approval, after which it will be coded for transmission.

DAUGHTERS OF THE EMPIRE CONVENE

Mrs. Robert FitzRandolph the Delegate at Toronto for New Brunswick.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—The proposal to send annually a student from each province to a university in Great Britain was thoroughly discussed in connection with the question of memorial scholarships at meetings of the Daughters of the Empire at I. O. D. E. headquarters here yesterday.

New Brunswick—Mrs. Robert FitzRandolph, Fredericton. Nova Scotia—Mrs. G. D. McLaughlin, Amherst; Mrs. C. K. Ives, Halifax.

Mrs. G. H. Smith, convener of the War Memorial Committee, and Mrs. John Bruce, national president of the I. O. D. E., were also present.

READING REFUSES AMBASSADORSHIP

London, Feb. 21.—The Earl of Reading has definitely declined the Ambassadorship to Washington, and the post has been offered to Sir Auckland Geddes, Minister of National Service and Reconstruction, who has not accepted, according to the London Daily Mail. It is believed by the newspaper that he will accept.

BIG ICEBERGS OFF NOVA SCOTIA NOW

Boston, Feb. 21.—The presence of large icebergs and ones of the Nova Scotia coast and in the path of trans-Atlantic shipping was reported by the British steamer Ardrossan in a wireless dispatch given out here today. She was forced to change her course several times because of ice.

WORK FOR POINCARÉ

Paris, Feb. 21.—Raymond Poincaré has been named French delegate on the reparations commission. He succeeds Charles C. A. Jonart, who resigned from the commission recently.

SUFFERING IS RAMPANT IN AUSTRIA NOW

Relief Official Tells of the Terrible Conditions Prevailing at Vienna.

STARVATION RATONS WILL SOON GIVE OUT

Switzerland to Forward Several Hundred Car Loads of Foodstuffs.

(Associated Press by Leased Wire.) Bern, Feb. 21.—Switzerland has decided to deliver to Austria immediately by several hundred cars of foodstuffs, composed principally of dry vegetables and oats. The shipment will be valued at about 6,000,000 francs and a short delay will be granted Austria to pay for it.

TERRIBLE SUFFERING THROUGHOUT AUSTRIA

New York, Feb. 21.—A cable message received at the offices of the American Relief Administration, European Children's Fund, from the representative of the organization in Vienna, tells of conditions of financial chaos and extreme want and suffering rampant there.

"The crowd is worth less than half a cent," the message stated. "There is no coal and street cars have stopped running. People, badly clad, walk miles to work. Vienna is a picture of desolate, almost hopeless misery. Last fall 225,000 was a fair estimate of the number of undernourished children in Vienna. Today we believe 300,000 would be more correct. We are informed that the city has accumulated foodstuffs to last only one month, even at the present starvation rates. If you see the endless lines of people including even old women and children, trudging into Vienna through sleet and snow, bent down under huge loads strapped on their backs, if you could see the pinched, sallow faces in the kitchens, you would wonder how human endurance could stand up under such a strain."

PROHIBITED THE WEARING OF BADGES

1,100 Employees of Baltimore Shipbuilding Company Throw Down Tools.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 21.—An order issued by the company prohibiting the wearing of badges by labor union representatives, known as shop stewards, started a strike of 1,100 employees of the Baltimore Dry Dock & Shipbuilding Co. yesterday. The company has declared its intention to maintain an open shop in future and yesterday's action was the first move toward that end.

PROHIBITION IN QUEBEC.

Montreal, Feb. 21.—Quebec prohibitionists will assemble in convention March 3 and 4 in St. James' Methodist church, when a programme of six sessions, to be held morning, afternoon and evening, has been arranged.

That before the treaty was communicated to the Turks it would be submitted for approval to our great associates.

Funds of the British Trade Unions Wasted in Strikes

The General Federation Deplores the Fact that Labor Has Received No Adequate Compensation for Large Sums Paid Out During Past Three Months.

(Associated Press by Leased Wire.) London, Feb. 21.—The General Federation of Trades Unions announced that during the last quarter £145,700 was paid out by the organization in connection with the cotton employees' and iron moulder's strikes.

"The saddest thing," says the Federation in connection with the announcement, "is the failure of this expenditure to obtain anything beyond what might have been secured through negotiations."

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