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## FIRES DESTROY MARITIME VILLAGES, MANY ARE HOMELESS

### British Admiralty Fitting Out Warships to Act in Irish Waters

#### FITTING WARSHIPS FOR IRISH PORTS; SITUATION GRAVE

Expected Sinn Feiners Will Make Last Effort Against Law and Order.

#### FURTHER OUTRAGES

London, May 30.—The National News says: "The position in Ireland, we understand, is so grave that a number of warships are now being fitted out in Sheerness for despatch to Irish ports. The situation is more serious than would appear from published telegrams, and startling outrages are expected in the next few days. In the present temper of the Sinn Feiners, it is not unlikely they will make a last effort against the forces of law and order."

The Cameron Highlanders, recently ordered for service in Ireland, disembarked at Queenstown today and paraded thru the streets to their barracks. Guns and ammunition were transferred from the steamer to an admiralty trawler, which, with a number of troops, proceeded for Cork.

#### MAIL TRAIN HELD UP

Skibereen, Ireland, May 30.—A mail train from Bantry to Cork was held up at Durris Road Station by armed men today. The men took the mail bags and decamped in an automobile.

#### CUSTOM HOUSE DESTROYED.

Cattletown, Ireland, May 30.—The Revenue customs office was destroyed by fire this morning. An adjoining customs office had a narrow escape from a like fate.

#### BURNED SUNDAY PAPERS.

Dundalk, Ireland, May 30.—Opposition to the Sunday newspapers continues. A dozen armed men from Dublin and burned paper parcels from Dublin and burned them. A policeman attempted to intervene, but was disarmed.

#### TRADE WITH RUSSIA IS NOT FORBIDDEN

Canadians Not Likely to Engage in It Till Soviet Gives Undertakings.

Ottawa, May 30.—Whether or not trade relations will be re-established between Canada and Russia will probably depend to a great extent on the result of the conference between the Bolshevik commercial commission and representatives of the Supreme Economic Council in London, news of which was received recently. When asked with regard to the attitude of the Canadian government on the matter, Sir George Foster, minister of trade and commerce, stated this evening that Canada still retained a trade commissioner in Southwestern Russia. The other Canadian trade commissioners had been withdrawn owing to the disturbed state of the country, but he pointed out that there was no embargo on trade with Russia, should Canadians desire to engage in it. It is questionable, however, whether trade between Canada and Russia could develop to any degree, unless the soviet government is willing to give the undertakings demanded by the British government and the supreme council of the allies. These stipulate that the attitude of hostility against the allies must cease, and that the Bolsheviks must refrain from military expeditions outside the borders of Russia. Sir George stated that Canada's interests in the matter of trade with Russia could be before the board of just as those of the rest of the empire, at the London conference.

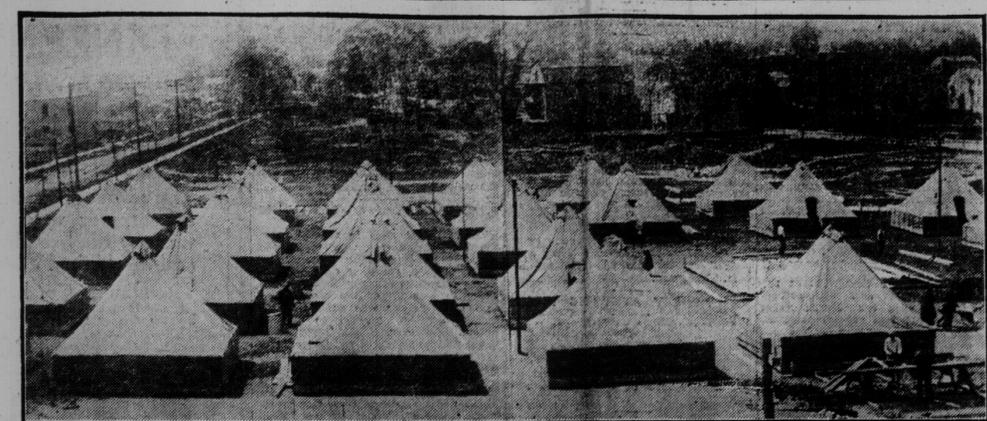
#### DAVIS OF NEEPAWA BACK IN LINE AGAIN

Cross-Bencher Says Budget and Tariff Proposals Have His Full Approval.

Montreal, May 30.—A strong plea for the national unity of the various elements of Canada, geographical, racial and religious, was made at the weekly luncheon of the Progressive Club on Saturday, by F. L. Davis, K.C., Unionist member for Neepawa, Manitoba. Mr. Davis declared himself strongly in favor of the tariff, and said that the fact that the Unionist government had failed to introduce a high rate of taxation last year, had made him go over to the cross-benches, but that the present budget, and the announced tariff policy of the Unionist government had his unqualified approval.

#### GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES MUST NOT FEDERATE

London, May 30.—The cabinet has approved the government's proposed law, which would prohibit organizations of government employees, with the exception of manual laborers, from affiliating with the Labor Federation. The measure will be introduced in parliament Tuesday.



DEALING WITH THE HOUSING PROBLEM

Until permanent quarters can be obtained for them, evicted tenants in Newark, N.J., are now residing in tents erected on the big Vailsburgh playground on South Orange avenue. The government furnished 200 heavy, waterproof army tents for the purpose, each big enough for three or four persons, and the city of Newark appropriated \$25,000 to house the unfortunate. Streets on the plan of military streets have been laid out, electric light supplied, and the tent dwellers are comfortable and happy and thoroughly enjoying the novel experience. Their food is cooked in a large community kitchen at a small charge. Above is shown a general view of the city of tents.

#### COMMISSION OF FIVE NAMED TO REVIEW MILK PROBLEMS

Experts Appointed as Permanent Body by Department of Agriculture to Gather Facts on Milk Situation in General and to Report Three Times Yearly.

That the Ontario department of agriculture is determined to make an effort to settle once for all the ever-recurring semi-annual dispute between the milk producers, the consumers, and the middlemen over the price of this indispensable family necessity, is evidenced by the appointment of a commission composed of five prominent experts along different lines of business, all of whom were named on Saturday. The commission is composed of Prof. Archibold of the Dominion department of agriculture, Prof. Leitch of the O. A. C., Guelph; R. L. Hicks of Newtonbrook, York county; Thomas Bradshaw, former city treasurer, and C. McNaught, president of the City Dairymen's Company. The commission will be of a permanent nature, sittings will commence right away, and the findings will be reported three times a year to the department. Commenting last night on the personnel of the commission, Hon. Manning Doherty, minister of agriculture, said: "The members of the commission will be of great value to the department. They will be able to give us a clear picture of the milk situation in general, and to report to us three times a year. This is a very important matter, and we are glad to have such a high caliber of men to look after it. The members are all of high standing and their conclusions ought to be of great value."



THOMAS BRADSHAW Former city treasurer, on Saturday appointed a member of the new milk commission.

#### FLOOD IN ENGLAND COSTS 50 LIVES

Cloudburst Swept Thru Village, While People Were Sheltering in Homes.

Louth, Lincolnshire, Eng., May 30.—Fifty deaths have resulted here so far from the sudden overflow of the small river Lud, running thru this town, which is attributed to a cloudburst in the woods nearby on Saturday night. The water spread so rapidly that houses in the low lying parts of the town were immediately engulfed in a rush which carried away bridges, fences, trees and other obstacles. One terrace containing 15 houses was entirely swept away, there being only one survivor. Most of the people were in their homes taking shelter from the thunderstorm when there came a rush of water three feet deep thru the town. In many cases the weight of the water prevented the opening of doors, or otherwise many persons could have pushed a place of safety. Within a short time the entire ground floors of houses were engulfed by the torrent, which was 200 yards wide. The water swept on its crest portions of demolished cottages, automobiles, wagons, furniture, uprooted trees and the bodies of drowned animals. Bridges crumbled before the rushing flood. So sudden was the approach of the water that many persons were unable to escape. This was particularly true in the lower parts of the town. In the higher parts of the town many persons escaped, but only after wading waist deep thru the water. Hundreds of persons are homeless and many households have lost most of their belongings.

#### IRISH OFFICIALS LEAVE FOR LONDON

Dublin, May 30.—General Sir C. F. N. Macraedy, military commander, and Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland, left Dublin today for London. It is understood that they have been summoned to attend a meeting of the cabinet, at which the policy with regard to Ireland is to be discussed Monday.

#### FEEL CERTAIN ABOUT RAISED INDEMNITIES

Ottawa, May 30.—(Canadian Press).—While no official intimation as to such effect can be obtained, it is strongly rumored in government circles that indemnities for members are to be raised this session. The matter is likely to be raised at the caucus of government followers some time this week, and a majority of the members are believed to be in favor of the increase. The matter is likely to be raised at the caucus of government followers some time this week, and a majority of the members are believed to be in favor of the increase. The matter is likely to be raised at the caucus of government followers some time this week, and a majority of the members are believed to be in favor of the increase.

#### IF BILL PASSES, SO MUST RACING, SAY HORSEMEN

Proposed Regulation of Pari-Mutuel Profits Would Kill Tracks.

WOULD RUN AT LOSS

Figures and statistics as given to The World by several leading Toronto racing men more than make it evident that if the federal government bill regulating pari-mutuel profits, goes thru, that horse racing must, or at least it means that race tracks, run as a legitimate business enterprise, cannot operate. They claim that to try and hold racing meets with all the heavy expense attached would simply be cutting their own throats. As business men they are entitled to a fair return on their money invested, and they say that they would not only get no return, but would run at a dead loss of a large amount on each race. "It works out this way," said one racing man, who is himself a track owner: "To start with, on most mile tracks there is approximately \$600,000 represented in the land and grandstands. This money has been invested by the track owners or jockey clubs with the idea of obtaining a legitimate profit on their outlay. Now any business man who invests that amount of money expects to make at least ten per cent. If he doesn't he thinks there is something wrong and invests it some other way."

#### RETAIL TAILORS GO TO OTTAWA

Take Quickest Way to Elucidate Mysteries of Exemption Tax.

On a special car attached to the Ottawa flyer, yesterday, the Retail Merchant Tailors' Association sent about thirty representatives to interview the government in regard to the exemption tax on suits and overcoats, and how to handle orders previous to May 15.

It was noticeable that Mr. Stewart Ferguson, president of the association, had lined up a good representation of the association as delegates, including Harry A. Taylor, Arthur D. Clark, T. Bilton of Bilton Bros., Chas. Levy of Levy Bros., Wm. G. Nelther of Burton's Ltd., R. Hewitt, Mr. Allison, F. W. Coles, Mr. Harcourt, R. V. Collier, A. G. McConee, C. Macey, John McGrath, Chas. Galloway, H. Townley, Chas. Acheson, W. J. Robertson. It was decided at the last meeting of the association that this was the only way to have a clear understanding.

#### CABLE COMPANY BUYS MUNITION PLANT

It is reported on good authority that the Canada Wire and Cable Company has purchased the big munition building erected on their land at Lesaside, at a cost of \$2,500,000, by the United States government during the last year of the war, and now used as a storehouse for machinery. The building still contains a number of machines which are being gradually shipped to United States ports.

#### No Further Advance By Bolsheviks in Persia

London, May 30.—The Bolshevik authorities, replying to Persia's protest against the bombardment of Enzeli, indicate that they do not intend to advance farther into Persia according to advice received in official quarters.

## Sixty-Million Dollar Paper Merger Coming

Twelve Thousand Square Miles of Timber Limits Will Be Controlled by Consolidated Montreal and Ottawa Companies.

Montreal, May 30.—(By Canadian Press).—The consummation of a \$60,000,000 paper merger is definitely foreshadowed by the confirmation here of the fact that L. W. Kilham, head of the Royal Securities Corporation, has completed a transaction whereby the businesses of the W. C. Edwards Company and the Gilmour and Hughson Company of Ottawa are brought together.

The new merger will include the Riorion subsidiaries, the Kipawa Company, Limited, and the Ticonderoga Paper Company, and with the new combination will also be included the large timber limits and \$5,000,000 horsepower of undeveloped water-power originally belonging to the Bronson Company, on the Quinze River.

The consolidated businesses will have approximately 12,000 square miles of timber limits, containing about 25,000,000 cords of pulpwood, 1,200,000,000 feet of standing pine, over 150,000 horsepower of water undeveloped and developed, and a pulp and paper output of about 150,000 tons per annum.

The new consolidation will be owned and controlled in Canada by Canadian interests and financed mainly by Canadian capital.

#### TWO VILLAGES DESTROYED; MANY RENDERED HOMELESS IN MARITIME PROVINCES

#### VILLAGERS SCARED IRISH RAIDERS

Belfast, Ireland, May 30.—Early Sunday a party of armed raiders in automobiles visited Gullybackey, County Antrim, and started to burn the police barracks. The raiders fled from 100 to 150 villagers turned out in a body to oppose them. The Irish Trade Congress has promised its full support to the Dublin railway strikers. This may lead to a repetition of the deadlock which occurred over the hunger strikers.

#### PRICES IN ENGLAND SAME AS IN CANADA

Budget of Household Staples Costs Dollar More in Ottawa Than London.

Ottawa, May 30.—A remarkable similarity in the cost of groceries in England and in Canada is revealed in a comparison of a budget of household staples in the two countries made within the last three weeks. The figures are given out by a Canadian official. Frying a score of staples, ranging from bread to custard powder, the whole supply costs about a dollar more in Ottawa than in London, England.

Bread is 4c higher in Canada, sugar is 10c a pound higher, and jam and marmalade ranges from 10c to 15c higher here; but in England, bacon, eggs, lard, milk, sausages, Worcester sauce, rice, oranges and dried fruits are all higher in price. Eggs were \$1 a dozen and butter about \$1.10 a pound for good grade. Both these prices are due for a sharp decrease in London, however.

Vegetables are still much cheaper in England than in Canada, and butcher meats average from 30c to 40c a pound. Coal is about \$1.25 per ton cheaper in England.

#### ENGLISH ZIONISTS THANK THE ALLIES

Express Gratitude for British Mandate for Palestine, Provisions for Welfare.

London, May 30.—The twenty-first conference of the English Zionist Federation of London today passed a resolution "expressing gratitude to the supreme council for incorporating the Balfour declaration in the treaty with Turkey or granting the mandate for Palestine to Great Britain."

"It puts on record," the resolution continues, "deep appreciation of the illustrious services to the Jewish nation of the statesmen and peoples of the allied and associated powers, who have collaborated in this momentous achievement, and it pledges itself that the Zionists of England will spare no effort and no sacrifice to reconstitute Palestine as the Jewish national home."

Dr. Weizman, who presided, said that the text of the mandate was still under discussion, but that it had been made for such political, economic and social conditions in Palestine as would make it possible to bring a large number of people into the country and set up development on those lines.

Lord Rothschild said it behooved the British people who took the opportunity offered by the council truly to afford the world a lesson by setting up a true national home, in which everyone should live in comfort and no one could say he was oppressed or could not enjoy the benefits of a national home.

#### FAMINE IN GAS FACES OTTAWANS

Report Situation "Extremely Serious" Owing to the Shortage of Coal.

Ottawa, May 30.—With not quite two weeks' supply of coal on hand and no immediate prospect of getting any shipments, the Ottawa Gas Company is faced with an extremely serious situation, and there is even the possibility of the people of Ottawa having their gas cut off until coal is obtained. Mr. A. A. Dion, manager of the company, tonight admitted the situation was serious, but he is in hopes of obtaining a supply before that on hand has been used. He stated that the company had men scouting round the mining districts in the States trying to locate shipments. He is sanguine, however, that before the end of this week some will be received from Pittsburgh.

#### JUNE WEDDINGS.

Winipeg, May 30.—After Tuesday, June 1, automobiles of all persons convicted of speeding more than 25 miles an hour, will be impounded. The Dineen lot of one week, Sir Hugh MacDonald, police magistrate, announced yesterday.

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