

Royal Family Bereaved.

Youngest Son of Their Majesties Dead.

Britain's Demand Small—Only Shipping and Paid Losses—Election Fights in Germany—Another Bank Merger.

BRITAIN'S CLAIMS.

(A.P.)—Careful investigation has made it possible to give more concretely than previously an idea of the claims of Great Britain and her general desires regarding the making of the peace. The British claims, the representation of them as regarded in general, are those of the United Kingdom and the Peace Conference. There are some minor differences of opinion between Great Britain and the United States regarding the final adjustment of the affairs and these differences are to be reconciled. On the other hand, the aims of the two are considered by British sources as identical. Great Britain desires a League of Nations, a desirable and attainable aim of the British war aims, which will conform with the tenets of the League as is contemplated by the League and govern the affairs of the world. She also believes that the League should be adjusted to the needs of every country with the needs of the others; in words, that there should be a League of five and take. As to the League, Great Britain expects to pool with other nations. Her aims are comparatively small, it is at the wants her raid damages and shipping losses paid for.

NOT BY VOTE.

PARIS, Jan. 18. (A.P.)—Discussion on the vote of the Peace Conference, particularly with reference to the largest and most important powers have only voting rights with the small French newspapers point out that it is necessary to remember the problems of the conference be settled by vote. They say that the conference is rather a matter of nations than a parliament and it will follow a procedure whereby a policy is settled by the counting of heads, which give the lead and the follow. The Peace Conference must be guided and controlled by the great powers who are responsible before the world and history for the decisions. The great powers are custodians of vast interests. All have vital principles which they are unwilling to surrender to a settlement by vote. It is inevitable, for example, that Britain because she is represented at the conference should be able to abandon her historic right of a free vote. A stand would be taken by regarding Alsace and Lor-

raine, and Italy regarding the Trentino. The underlying principle, therefore, is an agreement among the five great powers, and without it no settlement is possible. While the delegates of all the great powers will attend all the sittings, the delegates of the smaller powers and British overseas dominions and India will attend only when invited. Hence when the freedom of the seas affecting all is discussed, it is assumed all nations, including the British overseas dominions will be present. It is clear that the panel system admits of perpetual representation of the dominions and there is nothing to prevent the British delegation comprising Sir Robert Borden, Hon. Wm. Hughes, General Botha and General Smuts if thought desirable, being constantly present. Anyhow it is extremely probable that when the Dominions and India are now represented as such, one or more of the direct delegates of the Imperial Government will drop out and be replaced by the dominion or Indian statesmen, so that the overseas Empire may always be in a position to know what is transpiring and make its voice heard.

ELECTION RIOTS IN GERMANY.

LONDON, Jan. 19. Grave election riots are taking place to-day in Germany where the people are voting to choose members of the National Assembly. A general strike has been declared at Leipzig, which is without gas and water, according to Copenhagen advices to the Exchange Telegraph Co. The deaths of Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg appear to have made a deep impression in provincial towns and to have led to demonstrations and street fighting. At Leipzig a mob is said to have destroyed the election bureau of the Democratic party and to have confiscated the evening editions of the Leipzig Tageblatt, Zeitung and General Gazette, compelling those papers to publish a declaration deploring the murders in Berlin and blaming the government for them. Strikes and demonstrations are reported in Dusseldorf and other towns. Airmen were flying over Berlin to-day and bombarding the city with pamphlets issued by all the political parties. It is reported.

PRINCE JOHN DEAD.

LONDON, Jan. 19. Prince John, youngest son of King George, died at Sandringham, last night. He had been ill for some time. The Prince was possessed of exuberant spirits. He was the prime favorite of all classes and the idol of the servants and tenants at Windsor. It is said that he was the favorite of Princess Mary, who loved to romp with him. The Prince was born at Sandringham July 12, 1905. An official bulletin issued this evening says,

Prince John, who since infancy had suffered from epileptic fits which lately had become frequent and severe, passed away in his sleep following an attack at 5.30 p.m. Saturday.

SINN FEIN PARLIAMENT.

DUBLIN, Jan. 18. Sinn Fein officials announced to-day that the meeting of the Irish Republican Parliament next Tuesday will be open to the press and the public on presentation of a ticket obtainable at Sinn Fein headquarters. Representation will be confined to elected members of Parliament, but the unsuccessful candidates and men occupying government positions will participate. A conference was held in Dublin Castle to-day at which the Lord Lieutenant, the Lord Chancellor, the commander of the forces, the Attorney General and Solicitor General considered the situation. Differences of opinion are believed to exist as to whether it would be wise to ignore Tuesday's assembly and proceed only against acts of intimidation or violence, or whether the assembly should be suppressed as illegal. A majority of the people expect that the former view will prevail.

BANK MERGER.

OTTAWA, Jan. 19. An agreement subject to ratification by the shareholders, has been entered into by the Bank of Nova Scotia and the Bank of Ottawa, whereby an amalgamation has been arranged of these two important institutions. The basis of the amalgamation is that the Bank of Nova Scotia shall exchange four of its stock for every five shares held in the Bank of Ottawa. A striking feature about this union is that although the combined banks have nearly 300 branches they meet at only eleven places and these are large centres. The amalgamated banks will have a paid-up capital of about \$10,000,000; reserve and undivided profits, \$17,000,000; deposits, \$178,000,000; total assets, \$234,000,000. Notices are being prepared and will be mailed to the shareholders within a day or two. The Minister of Finance has consented to the amalgamation.

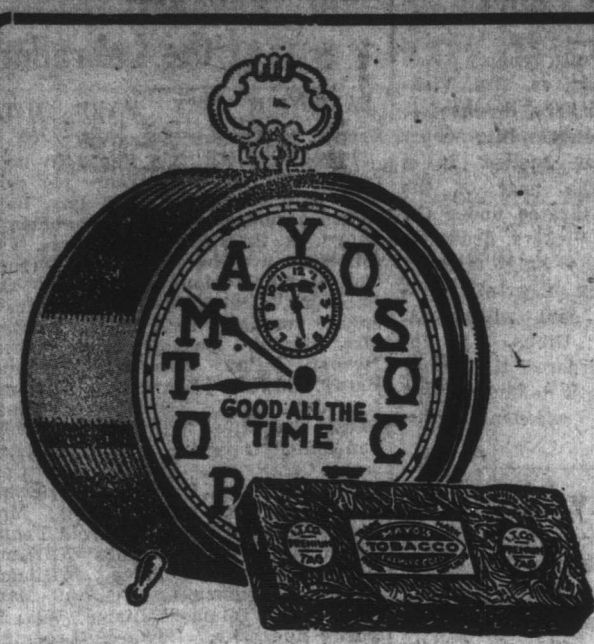
CONFERENCE OPENED.

PARIS, Jan. 19. The Peace Conference was formally opened yesterday afternoon with a speech by President Poincaré of France. President Poincaré thanked the Allied nations for their having chosen Paris for their important work and praised the valor of the Allied armies, which had preserved the capital of France from the enemy.

FIGHTING QUALITIES OF THE NINTH DIVISION.

LONDON, Jan. 18. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—Remarkable German tributes to the fighting qualities of the Ninth Division, composed of the South African Brigade and Scots, are now officially published by a staff officer, who was captured by the Germans near Corbie in 1918. It was after the capture he was taken to the German battalion headquarters for examination by an intelligence officer, who referring to the 9th Division said the fighting it had put up was considered one of the best of the whole front, particularly the last stand of the South African brigade at Marrières Wood which was magnificent. Both officers and men fought to the last against overwhelming odds. The Brigadier himself was captured firing a machine gun whilst his brigade major was killed beside him. Many other German officers spoke to the staff officer about the splendid fight of the South Africans. At Le Cateau the staff officer met two brother officers who said while going to Le Cateau they were stopped by the Kaiser, who asked if anyone present belonged to the 9th Division and that he was glad his division had not always met this division or he would have had no more troops with which to attack.

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FAREWELL PRESENTATION AND ADDRESS TO MR. JOHN J. McDOUGALL By the Staff of the D. I. S. Co., Wabana.

Mr. John J. McDougall, who has been Manager of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co.'s Iron mines at Wabana, Bell Island, for the past few years is resigning his connection with that corporation, and accompanied by his family, left for Nova Scotia by Sunday's express, where he has accepted a lucrative position with the Acadia Mining Company. Before his departure he was entertained by the Staff of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. at Wabana Staff House, and his old associates took this occasion to bid him God speed and good luck, all the staff and their wives attending. The spacious dining hall and reception rooms were converted into a ball room for the occasion, and here dancing was carried on till the wee small hours. At midnight supper was served and the wants of the inner man amply satisfied by the splendid repast. At the interval the address and presentation committee comprised of Mr. J. B. Petrie, chairman, Mr. Angus McDonald, Mr. J. J. Miller, Mr. J. C. Colbourne, Mr. G. A. Harvey, Mr. J. H. Morley, Mr. M. J. McNeill and Mr. J. T. Lawton, through their secretary, Mr. Lawton, presented a magnificent farewell address, unique to the occasion, it being bound in book form, and containing the crest of Newfoundland on the cover. Accompanying the address was a purse of gold, contributed by the staff to Mr. McDougall; a silver cake basket to Mrs. McDougall and a gold tie pin to John, junior. Mr. McDougall in accepting the presents, replied in choice language, thanking the staff for their generosity and also for their hearty co-operation at all times during his tenure of office. He left Wabana taking with him nothing but pleasant memories of nearly fourteen years' intimate connection with the island. He wished all the staff prosperity and good luck in the future, and hoped that it would be his future lot to be associated with such a "good bunch of fellows" as he had always found the Wabana staff. He found it hard to sever his connection with his old friends on the island, and hoped to have the pleasure of meeting them again some day. "On with the dance," was then proceeded with, and the entertainment committee comprising Messrs. S. C. Mifflin, J. M. Greene, W. G. Lodge, J. K. Butler, P. F. Jardine and R. Burnham conducted the remainder of the programme in such a manner that it was voted one of the most enjoyable affairs in the history of the Iron Isle. The decorations of the ball room and reception hall were superb and very artistic, particularly the electric display arranged by Mr. J. K. Butler, which comprised vari-colored lights around the entire room, and a large motto "Good Luck" standing out prominently. At the conclusion of the entire assemblage formed a huge circle and with Mr. and Mrs. McDougall in the centre sang "Auld Lang Syne" and "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" followed by "God Save the King," which terminated a most enjoyable affair, which undoubtedly showed the high esteem in which Mr. McDougall, the retiring Manager, was held by his staff and co-workers at Wabana. Before the conclusion a flashlight photo of the staff was taken by Mr. J. C. Parsons, of St. John's.

ADDRESS:

Dear Mr. McDougall:—Time in its course, either obliterates friendships or cements them still closer, in your case it has bound together with golden cords, friendships that Time's ravages will never destroy.

It is with the deepest regret we learn that you are about to leave Bell Island. Though we have no authority to speak for the general public, we cannot fail to note that the regret at your departure is universal. For ourselves—the members of Dominion Staff—your going away means a severance of fourteen years of intimate association during which you have grown from a boy to manhood. During these fourteen years you have been in the foreground in the promotion of every project for the improvement of the island. Since your assumption of the Manager's position, your interest in local affairs has been redoubled; and your impartiality, your generosity, charity, and large heartedness, have won our lasting esteem; and we shall always regard your attitude towards us as one of friendship rather than authority. Our regret at your departure is intensified by our recognition of the fact that one of your chief aims has been the amelioration of the domestic and social conditions of the Island; and we are glad to bear testimony to your untiring and successful efforts to make it a better place to live in.

We avail of this opportunity to pay a tribute to your patriotic efforts since the war began. You generously gave your time and influence on behalf of the various movements for the comfort of our soldiers and for achieving the great aims of the war. As a mark of our deepest appreciation of your character and of your work amongst us, and of Mrs. McDougall's many estimable qualities, we ask you and Mrs. McDougall to accept the accompanying souvenirs. In view of your many years of friendly association with the people of Bell Island, and of your enlightened interest in our industrial and social advancement, we feel that your farewell look at Bell Island will be clouded with a few little shadows of regret, and this encourages us in the hope that at some future time we may have the pleasure of welcoming you back amongst us again.

In wishing you and Mrs. McDougall good-bye, we pray that God may shower His blessings bountifully on both of you; and no matter where you may go, our best wishes will always accompany you.

On behalf of the Staff,

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J. B. PETRIE.
J. H. MORLEY.
J. T. LAWTON.
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G. A. HARVEY.
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RESIGN'S POSITION. — We learn that Mr. Wm. White, manager of the Nfd. Clothing Factory, has resigned his position, the same taking effect on February 17.

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COLD WEATHER.

Oh, winter, rude season, I'm glad you are here, though I have much reason for springing a tear; for I am afflicted with various ills, which keep me addicted to powders and pills. They're worse when the weather is cold as get out; they all ache together, rheumatics and gout; the ringbone and spavin are painful and sore, as I rub the salve in, and holler for more. I'll try to forget; for winter's a tonic, the best tonic yet. The wise men inform us in well chosen terms (the knowledge should warm us), it's death to the germs. The microbes so dizzy all turn up their toes, when winter gets busy with health giving snows. If winter is playing the germs by the ton, you won't hear me saying a harsh word, not one. I'll just sit up nursing my swellings and aches, and leave all the cursing to ignorant jakes. When science assures me that winter is great, confounds and obscures me with words out of date, I feel that rheumatics is merely a dream, and hate fills the office of patients who scream. We must lean on science, whatever we do; we must have reliance on one thing or two.

The Roman Catholic Church at Chapleau, Ont., the largest church in the town, was burned Friday morning, and before the day was over the Methodists offered the use of their building to the stricken congregation. The Rev. Sinclair Applethigh is pastor of the Methodist Church.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DIS-

TEMPER.

The "Flu."

When your back is broke and your eyes are blurred And your shin-bones knock and your tongue is furred, And your tonsils squeak and your hair gets dry, And you're doggone sure you're going to die, But you're scared you won't and afraid you will, Just drag to bed and have your chill And pray the Lord to see you through, For you've got the flu, boy, You've got the flu.

When your toes curl up and your belt goes flat, And you're twice as mean as a Thomas cat, And life is a long and dismal curse, And you're food all tastes like a hard-boiled harse, When your lattice aches and your head's a buzz, And nothing is as ever it was, Here are my sad regrets to you— You've got the flu, boy, You've got the flu.

What is it like, this Spanish flu? Ask me, brothers, for I've been through; It is by misery, out of despair, It pulls your teeth and curls your hair; It thins your blood and breaks your bones, And fills your craw with moans and groans, And sometimes, maybe, you get well; Some call it "flu"—I call it HELL.

Items of Interest.

45,000 mules and horses, part of the army's supply, will be sold at auction at camps throughout the United States next month.

A desperate criminal was shot by a deputy sheriff at Arcadia, near Los Angeles. The officers were about to arrest him when he opened fire on them. One of them then fired and shot the outlaw, killing him instantly, upon which the outlaw's wife fired from an automobile and killed one of the deputies. The second deputy then fired at the woman and the shot was fatal. The man had many aliases and his real name was unknown, but he had served prison sentences in several States and was an expert bank robber. He and the woman, supposed to be his wife, had been living in a comfortable rented house at Long Beach (about 20 miles from Los Angeles), and the police found a perfect arsenal at his late home, guns, pistols and ammunition in abundance.

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