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Entente "Removes ..nces of War."

..poch in the Pacific and .. World as Result of the W..shington Conference—Urges That China Co-operate With Friendly Powers.

(Canadian Press Cable)

Paris, Dec. 23—Premier Takahashi of Japan is quoted by the Tokio correspondent of the newspaper Excelsior as following:

"The quadruple entente, which for Japan replaces the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, is much wider in bearing, and removes all chances of war."

"I venture to say," he continued, "that the Washington conference has opened a new speech in the Pacific and the world I not only believe that the entente will result in making the Japanese people happier, because it will ligthen their burdens, but further, that, by reason of the guarantee we obtain, the position of Japan is strengthened in the Far East."

In regard to China, the premier was quoted as saying: "China is in an advanced stage of decomposition. It will .. an unpleasant situation for Japan ..d a misfortune for China, if, as the ..sult of her anarchy, she does not co..perate with the friendly powers seeking .. bring about her unification."

The premier concluded by character..ing the report that Japan had designs .. French Indo-China as "an absurd ..ble which has no foundation in the ..st, and will not have in the future." .. said that if there was any discussion .. Japan about Indo-China, it was be..use Japan had not been given favored ..tion treatment there. He hoped that .. commercial agreement on this subject ..uld strength the good relations be..een Japan and France.

..N AUTOMOBILE PARTY KIDNAPPED

..ormer White Sox Manager Has Exciting Experience in Chicago.

..Chicago, Dec. 23—One man was shot ..ead and another captured last night ..fter the two had kidnapped an auto ..arty made up of Mrs. James Callahan, ..ife of the former manager of the Chic..go White Sox baseball team, her ..aughter, mother and father and had ..ot Emil Kroten, the driver of the Cal..lahan car.

Members of the party and Kroten ..ere seated in an automobile in front ..f the Callahan home. Mr. Callahan ..as standing at the curb. The two men ..ointed revolvers at Kroten as they ..mped on the running board and order..d him to drive on. Kroten was slow .. obeying the command and one of the ..en shot him through the cheek. The ..hauffeur then started the car.

Callahan hailed a passing automobile ..nd started in pursuit, picking up a pol..eman on the way. As the pursuers ..rew nearer, the men jumped from the ..allahan car and the policeman opened ..re, killing one of the men. The other ..urrendered. It is believed the men in..nded to hold up the Callahan party.

..RAVELERS HEAR PROMINENT MEN

..ore Than 500 at Annual Dinner in the Windsor, Montreal, Last Night.

Montreal, Dec. 23—More than 500 ..embers greeted the speakers at the an..al dinner of the Dominion Commercial ..avelers' Association at the Windsor ..tel here last night. Premier Tasche..u laid stress on the qualities of Que.. Province and urged his audience to ..get newspaper talk of rivalry be..een Montreal and Toronto.

Hon. Walter Mitchell, former pro..ncial treasurer and now member elect .. the St. Antoine division of this city .. the federal house, spoke in similar vein .. appealed to the gathering to aid in ..lishing distinctions between east and ..st.

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Premier-..t, and Sir Lomer Gouin, were unable, ..ough pressure of affairs, to be present. .. D. MacTier, general manager of the ..P. R., eastern lines, spoke of the im..tance of railroad transportation to the ..elers.

.. T. Milne, His Majesty's senior trade ..mmissioner, said he had traveled much ..re he left Canada two years ago, and .. unable to say that Canada was in ..ch better shape than many other ..ntries in the world. He said that ..re were 780 United States concerns ..h branches in Canada and he urged .. the government the desirability of ..couraging the entry of more capital .. Canada. It was, however, a remark.. fact that, despite Canadian-re..ces, there were more British faces in Australia than in Canada.

FOR THE ORPHANS.

..udrey Philpot, a Milford little girl, ..de a cushion and sold tickets for dis..al of it. The result, $2.50, was given .. the Wright street Memorial Home. ..ket No. 8 won the cushion.

Council Action For Out of Work

May Provide For 200 Men—Citizens Committee to Open Employment Bureau—Rotary Club Will Discuss the Situation.

The first concerted step towards the solution or a partial solution of the unemployment situation was taken at a special meeting of the city commissioners held this morning in Mayor Schofield's office. It was decided to provide some work immediately and resolutions covering the authority for it will be presented at Tuesday's council meeting. The mayor presided and others present included Commissioners Thornton, Jones, Bullock and Frink, G. G. Hare, city engineer; Duncan G. Lingley, city chamberlain, and Adam P. Macintyre, city controller.

Another important move was made at a meeting of the citizens' committee which waited on the common council yesterday. At a meeting in the Y. M. C. A. this morning it was decided to open immediately an employment bureau in the city, which will be operated, at the commencement, by the Salvation Army without charge. The hope was expressed that the offices of the Commercial Club might be secured for the purpose, and this matter is being taken up this afternoon.

At City Hall.

The commissioners decided to put into operation at once the two city stone crushers, each employing a crew of about twenty men, if that number can be obtained to work them. This will give employment for about forty men a week. An alternate crew will be put on every other week. Thus about eighty men will find employment for half time on the two stone crushers. It was decided also that, if more than this number of men were available, a bond would be authorized for the purchase of another crusher. The stone from the crushers will be stacked up ready for use in the spring. An emergency wage of $2.50 a day for labor and $6 a day for double teams will be paid on the work. It was emphasized that as this operation was being carried out to provide work, and would necessitate additional expense to the city, a reduced wage should be accepted.

The commissioners also decided to carry out Commissioner Jones' plan for the placing of a new 16-inch water main from Union street, up Carmarthen, along King street east and through King square to the head of King street. This work will be given out to the men at a certain rate a yard of trench, based on a wage of $2.50 a day and $6 will be paid a day to double teams.

The mayor said after the meeting that every applicant for a position on these works would be required to show he was a taxpayer by the production of a tax bill or tax receipt for the last two years.

It is also proposed to go ahead with the renewal of the outer end of Nelson wharf and the filling in of the culvert at Newman brook with the material taken from the brook last summer.

It is anticipated that these works will give employment to between 250 and 300 men.

Employment Bureau.

The committee representing the Evangelical Alliance and other bodies which waited upon the city council yesterday held a meeting this morning in the Y. M. C. A. and decided to open an employment bureau. It is hoped it may be opened tomorrow morning in the rooms of the Commercial Club. The executive of the club is considering it this afternoon.

The Salvation Army has volunteered to conduct the bureau at present without charge. The citizens' committee is strong in the view that such a central bureau is needed.

Canon Armstrong, Rev. H. E. Thomas, Fred A. Campbell and a representative of the Salvation Army called on the Times after the meeting and urged two things:—

First:—That every unemployed person register at this bureau.

Second:—That every firm or citizen who wants help of any kind, or can give even half a day's work to a man or woman, notify the bureau and so help the workless.

Canon Armstrong said that there must be very many citizens who could give a man or woman a day's work, or more; and that any work that it is possible to do now, however small, would help out in this crisis.

It is possible that a public meeting will be held to present the conditions more fully to the people.

The Rotary Club will hold a special meeting next week to consider the situation.

BRITAIN AND FRANCE ACT TOGETHER

That is the Important Result of Conferences of Lloyd George and Briand.

Paris, Dec. 23.—Premier Briand returned here last night after his conference with Mr. Lloyd George in London and spoke briefly of what had been accomplished.

"The important thing," he said, "is the determination of the two countries to act together. We have already thrown down broad lines and will only have to complete the details at Cannes. We reached an agreement in principle, embodying the resolve to act jointly, which opens the way for practical decisions. We have only to reach them at the Cannes conference. We already know where to look for them and how to make them effective. That is the essential point."

WIRELESS REPORTS.

Position of steamers reported through the Dominion Direction Finding Station at Red Head, Friday, December 23.

8 a.m.—S.S. Canadian Sapper, bound for Halifax, abeam Cape Sable.

9.40 a.m.—S.S. Sicilian, bound for St. John, 140 miles distant.

11 a.m.—S.S. Canadian Navigator, passed in; (since arrived.)

1 p.m.—S.S. Canadian Spinner, 7 miles distant; (since arrived off partridge Island.)

DENIES THAT ACT WAS VIOLATED

Reply to Statements Relative to Montreal Wages Agreement.

Montreal, Dec. 23—Replying to statements that the Dominion Coal Co. and other coal companies associated with it in the so-called Montreal wage agreement have violated the provisions of the industrial disputes act by posting notices of a revised schedule of rates, effective on January 1 next, the management of the coal companies, through D. H. McDougall, vice-president of the British Empire Steel Corporation, makes emphatic denial of any violation of the act.

It is said that due notice of reduction in wages, as required by the act, effective upon the expiration of the Montreal agreement, was posted by letter under date of October 29 last, addressed to the secretary treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America, District No. 26, and freely circulated in the public press.

The companies also repeat a statement made to the representatives of the United Mine Workers in Montreal, namely, that, no new understanding having been arrived at to replace the Montreal agreement, they are free to announce new rates or to take such steps as are necessary to maintain employment at the coal mines, and to protect the companies' interests as may be necessary.

BEING TOWED INTO HALIFAX

The Lady Laurier Gets Line to the New England, Which is Out of Coal.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 23. — At nine o'clock this morning the Canadian government steamer Lady Laurier, after standing by in a heavy sea all night, succeeded in putting a line on board the U. S. shipping board steamer New England, drifting helplessly about thirty miles off Halifax harbor, and was towing her to port.

This information was supplied by a radio from the Lady Laurier, which further stated that she expected to have the New England in port early this afternoon. A light north-northwest wind was blowing.

The New England became distressed off Halifax harbor yesterday when her fuel supply, which she was coming here to replenish, became depleted. She is bound from Brest, France, for New York.

MR. BENNETT MAY NOT SIT IN HOUSE

Recount Shows Him 12 Votes Behind With Judgment Reserved on 76 Ballots.

Calgary, Dec. 23.—The election of J. T. Shaw, Progressive, over Hon. R. B. Bennett, minister of justice, in the federal constituency of West Calgary, was practically conceded last night. After all the polls had been recounted, Mr. Shaw had a majority of twelve votes.

There are, however, seventy-six ballots on which Judge Winter has reserved judgment.

HARRY GIGGEY'S TROPHIES.

In the window of Charles Baillie's tobacco store, in King street, are on exhibit trophies won by Harry O. Giggey, intermediate sculling champion of the maritime provinces. They include a miniature duplicate of the Ross Memorial trophy, which was awarded to Mr. Giggey for winning the intermediate race at the Renforth Regatta; also a gold medal awarded by Mr. Ross to him for being the first to win this event. A gold medal emblematic of the intermediate championship is also displayed with other silver cups won in other regattas.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "there are more than twelve hundred men in this city out of work."

"I hed a hired man all last summer," said Hiram.

"But there are more than twelve hundred men out of work," persisted the reporter.

"I s'pose some of 'em throwed up good jobs," said Hiram.

"Let me say again," repeated the reporter, "that there are more than twelve hundred men out of work, and they represent more than four thousand persons who are in sore need."

"I nearly froze my ears yisterday mornin'," said Hiram. "Say—wasn't it cold?"

"And more than twelve hundred men are out of work," said the reporter.

"Look-a-here!" said Hiram—"you said that afore."

"I say it again," said the reporter. "There are more than twelve hundred men out of work."

"Kind of got on your brain—haint it?" queried Hiram.

"And I want to get it on yours," said the reporter. "Something must be done."

"Let's talk about it a while," said Hiram. "That's the fashionable thing to do—aint it? If we talk about it till spring, mebbe we kin git a job fer what's left o' that twelve hundred—yes, sir."

FORTY POLICE IN RAID; 20 ARRESTS

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 23—Forty state policemen in charge of Lieut. M. B. Lilly, conducted a raid in the vicinity of Eskdale, on Cabin Creek, yesterday and arrested twenty men, indicted either in Logan or Kanawha counties for alleged participation in the armed march on Logan county in August.

A concerted attack on a barricade in the mountain fastnesses was necessary to accomplish the arrests. No casualties resulted from the exchange of shots.

BIG CHRISTMAS RETAIL TRADE IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Dec. 23—The Christmas shopping season in Chicago has broken all records in volume of business according to prominent merchants, but probably will not measure up, dollar for dollar with those of 1919 and 1920 seasons.

The city's total retail merchandise business for December was estimated at fifty million dollars.

DOCTORS' VIEWS ON WHISKEY AS MEDICINE

Chicago, Dec. 23—Three thousand and sixty-three physicians in Indiana and Illinois, replying to the alcoholic liquor questionnaire sent to 53,000 doctors by the journal of the American Medical Association, divided almost equally on the values of whiskey as a therapeutic agent, while a big majority declared they did not consider that wine and beer had any value in medicine.

PREMIER RETURNS.

Premier Foster returned this morning from Ottawa where he went to confer at the request of Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King. Mr. Foster said that he was in consultation with the Liberal leader on Wednesday, but there was nothing definite to announce at the present time, nor did he expect that the make-up of the new cabinet would be announced before next week. The premier said that it was assured that New Brunswick would have a portfolio, but there was no intimation as to who would hold it.

Phelix and Pherdinand WEATHER REPORT

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

Synopsis.—A moderate disturbance is developing over Ontario this morning attended by light local snow or rain over Ontario and the Ottawa Valley. Pressure has risen over the west, accompanied by a change to cold weather.

Gales, Snow or Rain.

Forecasts, Maritime—Moderate to fresh winds, fair and becoming milder today. Saturday, winds increasing to gales, southeast to southwest, milder with snow or rain.

Gulf and North Shore—Moderate winds, fair today and light snow tonight; Saturday, winds increasing to gales, shifting to westerly, snow or rain.

New England—Unsettled, probably snow or rain tonight and Saturday; somewhat warmer tonight; colder Saturday in Massachusetts; fresh to strong shifting winds.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Temperatures:—

Stations.	8 a. m.	Highest yesterday.	Lowest during night.
Prince Rupert	28	36	36
Victoria	34	34	32
Kamloops	2	10	0
Calgary	*8	10	*10
Edmonton	*14	0	*14
Prince Albert	*34	6	*36
Winnipeg	*26	12	*26
White River	6	20	6
Sault Ste. Marie	24	18	18
Toronto	27	18	15
Kingston	24	8	8
Ottawa	4	4	*2
Montreal	6	0	*2
Quebec	2	*6	*10
St. John, N. B.	4	4	0
Halifax	10	8	4
St. John's, Nfld.	22	44	20
Detroit	28	26	26
New York	30	26	20

*Below zero.

Makes Sensation In Sport Circles

Many Opinions on Matter of Amateur Status and Suspension of Hockeyists—President Covey Accepts Suggestion for Inquiry by Appointee of N. S. Attorney-General.

A. W. Covey, president of the Maritime Branch of the A. A. U. of C. said this morning he welcomed the suggestion of Sporting Editor Dolan of the Sydney Record that the attorney general of Nova Scotia name an investigator to take evidence under oath in the matter of the 13 suspended Nova Scotia athletes.

"We would welcome such an independent inquiry," said Mr. Covey, "for it would give those who are now making large assertions the opportunity to back them up under oath. The action we have taken has been taken on sworn affidavits. We will welcome similar affidavits from any athlete or sporting writer who knows whereof he speaks, and who, if he cannot produce the evidence, should in the opinion of fair-minded men remain silent. Statements have been made at various times in the last two years by certain people with reference to various athletes, but when asked to put the same in affidavit form have refused to do so, although some of the same men have carried on a propaganda through the press against the A. A. U. of C. The effort of the association has been to keep sport clean for the sake of the boys who are to be our future citizens. In this we have been hampered but an opportunity is now given for all of the agitators to make their statements under oath. This may mean a delay of the investigation which was to have been held in Halifax on Wednesday next, but if so it will be in the interest of clean sport and the athletes will know where they stand when it is concluded. I am now endeavoring to get in touch with the attorney general of Nova Scotia. The reason the present action was taken was the proposed trip of the Dalhousie hockey team to Harvard, early in January. It was not considered fair to allow men under suspension and against whom the association held sworn affidavits to go and compete as amateurs."

The Charges.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 23—The offenses named for the suspension of the thirteen Nova Scotia athletes include the following:

Lee Fluck, Arthur Lilly and Jack L. MacNeil—for alleged receiving of $25 for playing with Dalhousie against Cape Breton team, 1920.

Stephen "Duke" McIsaac—for alleged receiving of $40 at Glace Bay from D. McFarlane for playing hockey with Glace Bay against Sydney, 1920.

J. E. "Gee" Ahern, and Peter MacDonald—for alleged receiving of $10 for playing hockey with Frank "Tubby" Vassalo's team in New Glasgow, 1920.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 23. — The Gleaner publishes the following on its sporting page today:—

"What better evidence of the farcical side of so-called amateur hockey as it is today could be found than this: A Fredericton man who was in Boston a few days ago reports quite innocently that he visited the new Boston Arena one morning early this week and there found the whole squad of the Westminster hockey club spending the morning at practice. Unless composed of sons of millionaires, college youths or others who don't have to work, hockey players don't practice in the morning, in these days of high living costs, unless they are under payment and thus contsantly on call for services as hockey players. If they are bona fide amateurs they are working at their employment at the time other people are; professional teams devote their mornings to practice under ordinary circumstances. How many of these Canadians who make up practically the whole Westminster hockey club really went to Boston for anything other than to play hockey?"

VIEWS OF MEN WHO FOLLOW SPORT.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 23.—Comment by maritime sport followers and writers carried by the Herald this morning includes the following:—

J. D. Black, Fredericton: "Amateur sports in the maritime provinces are no more rotten today than they were years ago. The suspended men are the "unlucky thirteen," who should have hundreds of others keeping them company. The panacea of all evils in the amateur sports situation is the adoption of the British definition under which an amateur is responsible only for his own acts insofar as sports are concerned. He can play with or against a professional in team sports, without injuring his amateur standing, and he is a professional only in the sport in which he actually accepts compensation; but once a professional always one."

Stuart McAulay, Glace Bay: "Where a performance has to depend on its box office for its life the player must be rewarded for his efforts; therefore hockey can never be purely amateur, and any organization that tries to make it so is putting a premium on perjury."

J. D. Jefferson, Sydney: "Players who have once taken cash can never reform sincerely or permanently. Away with the whitewash. Let those whom the investigation proves guilty be expelled to take their chances with the out-and-out professionals. President Covey, as an interested party, must not be allowed to conduct this inquiry."

Geo. E. Herman, Amherst: "Those who have transgressed the letter and not the spirit of amateurism should, without any long drawn out display of upper Canadianism or other big stickism, be given the right to compete in amateur sport. If a man once touched with the professional puck has it out of his blood, give him a chance."

Harry Ervin, St. John: "Once a professional always a professional; no harm in telling the truth. Put all athletes on oath, and while so-called amateur ranks may be lessened, it will be better for real true sport."

Dr. G. MacDonald, New Glasgow: "It seems an impossibility to weed out professionalism. I can see no objection to amateurs and professionals playing together."

W. E. Regan, Windsor: "The truly repentant sinner, having paid the penalty, should be allowed to return."

W. K. Morton, Halifax: "I consider the whole affair a joke and cannot understand why an eleventh hour suspension of the hockey players was made."

Amherst, Dec. 23—The sporting editor of the Amherst News today says: "Secession from the Canadian amateur athletic union; a clean sheet for every maritime athletic and a constitution that will permit professionals and amateurs to play together except in their own particular branch of sport; a ruling that will place amateur sport within the reach of the datal paid man, and one long step toward a solution of maritime sport difficulties will be made.

"The split with the alleged governing body of Canadian sports has been discussed at length in certain maritime clubs. It is the easiest way out of the storm centre of individual creation.

"The Olympic trials, the Allen Cup and Canadian championships have been advanced as the inducements for the jointure of the old M. P. A. A. A. with the A. A. U. of C. Theoretically the amalgamation may have been advisable, but even in the days of the past, the M. P. A. A. A. had its recognized status. Perhaps for a year or so, the A. A. U. of C. would keep a snobbish nose upturned, and give to the maritime provinces a cold shoulder. But viewing matters in the light of practical experience, the question arises: 'What has amalgamation with the A. A. U. of C. brought to the maritime provinces? How many maritime province men went to Olympic trials—what maritime boxers were represented at the trials? What maritime teams have played for the Allen Cup?' All in all there remains nothing but a series of interrogations, with a negative answer. The Canadian Press today expressed the opinion of maritime editors on the question of 'amateur situation in the provinces.' Not one took up the points that have been mentioned.

"The present suspension rule is a travesty on British justice. In former days a suspended player could perform in sport circles, pending investigation. Today he is suspended first—acknowledged guilty, and made to prove his innocence. This is a rule approved by the A. A. U. of C."

MONTCALM IS TO COME HERE

Local C. P. R. Headquarters Get Word of New Liner.

That the new Canadian Pacific Steamship Ltd., liner Montcalm, which was launched a few days ago on the Clyde bank, Scotland, will be placed on the St. John-Liverpool route and will make her first trip to this port on January 17 was the word received at C. P. R. headquarters today. She is one of the finest ships of her class on the Atlantic service and during her trial made a maximum speed of 17.96 knots an hour without pressing either the boilers or engines. On twelve hours trial her speed was over seventeen knots on 12,005 H. P. This large liner will remain on the St. John service until the spring and will then join her sister ships the Montrose and Montclare on the Liverpool-Montreal run.

The C. P. S. Ltd liner Scandinavian will sail tomorrow for Antwerp, Havre and Southampton. She will have seventy cabin and 175 steerage passengers in addition to mails and general cargo.

The C. P. S. Ltd. liner Sicilian is due here tomorrow morning from Havana. She has only a small passenger list and cargo. It will complete her first round trip on the West India service.

EXTREMISTS GATHER IN NEW YORK CONVENTION

New York, Dec. 23—Unification of all revolutionary elements in the ranks of workers of the United States was contemplated by radical delegates gathered here today for a convention called for the purpose of organizing the workers' party of America.

It was semi-officially declared these elements might be defined as "those accepting the leadership of the third (communist) internationale in the struggle to establish an American workers republic."

PROBLEM FOR HEADS OF THE NAVY OF U. S.

New York, Dec. 23—What to do with some 15,000 tons of steel armor plate, purchased at a cost of $7,500,000 and now stacked in the Brooklyn navy yard, is a problem confronting officials of the plant in view of the expection decision of the navy department to scrap several warships.

This huge amount of steel, said to be worth $500 a ton, was ordered for the two 43,000 ton dreadnaughts South Dakota and Indiana, which are about one-third completed.

It is said that some 70,000 tons of armor plate has been contracted for to complete the seven big war vessels now under construction in various shipyards of the U. S.

No Soviet There.

Mexico City, Dec. 23—A report that a Soviet republic has been established in the city of Pueblo was officially denied today.

DEATH RATE FROM FAMINE LARGER

Two Hundred a Day in One Section of Russia.

U. S. Relief Administration is Feeding More than 800,000 Children — Bolshevik Government Makes New Demand on Finland.

(Canadian Press Cable.)

Moscow, Dec. 23—The death rate in the famine districts of Russia is rising rapidly. More than 200 victims are buried every day in the Saratov region.

The United States relief administration is now feeding more than 800,000 children and the number is expected to pass the million mark by Christmas.

Distribution of food draft packages will be started at Kiev soon. The first will be sent into the Kharkov and Odessa districts.

Riga, Dec. 23—The Russian Bolshevik government has sent a new note to Finland calling for "exact and unequivocal fulfillment" of its previous demands for withdrawal of alleged Finnish aid to the insurgents in Karelia and expulsion of General Boria Savinkof from Finland.

(Gen. Savinkof, a member of the former Kerensky of Russia, was recently expelled from Poland at the request of the Soviet government.)

M. Chitcherin also sent a note to Esthonia protesting against its action in joining Finland in her appeal to the League of Nations for a settlement of the Karelian affair.

According to competent military observers who have just returned to Riga after a trip to Finland, the part of Russian Karelian affected by the revolt comprises less than 1,000 square miles of forest and lakes, with a total population of only 40,000, principally hunters, trappers and fishermen.

The insurgents' army, numbering about 3,000, is scattered in strange Arctic guerrilla warfare along the forest trails. They have taken a few miserable villages, inhabited by only a few hundred persons.

MAYBE GUN BATTLE WITH MOONSHINERS

Antigo, Wis., Dec. 23—Practically the entire federal prohibition enforcement detachment in Wisconsin, under Ham Randophus, U. S. marshal, left for Antigo last night to take charge of the threatening situation that has developed from the fatal shooting of Julius Wurzer, an alleged moonshiner in a gun duel with federal dry agents at a lonely cabin in the forest near Ellon today.

With one of the alleged moonshiners dead and two of his companions in jail here, fragmentary reports declared that other moonshiners, of whom there are believed to be a considerable number in the forests of Langlade and Forest counties were considering a bold stroke to release the two men and avenge their dead comrade.

Such a movement, it is declared by some residents, might enlist the support of a considerable number of hardy woodsmen, but Sheriff Buchen in particular scoffed at suggestions that an armed moonshiner rebellion was imminent in Langlade country.

THIS BOY SAID HE WANTED TO BE A BOOTLEGGER

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 23—Is the business of a bootlegger a profession, a calling or just a mere job? In any event it is conceded by at least one high school pupil here to be a vocation. In answer to a question put to the boy scholars as to "what vocation" they desired to follow after leaving school, one boy acclaimed that of a bootlegger as his choice. Others declared for such unexciting pursuits as engineering, seafaring, soldiering, etc.

COLD FATAL IN TWO CASES IN GREATER BOSTON

Boston, Dec. 23.—The cold brought death and suffering in Greater Boston, yesterday. The deaths of John F. Allen of Medford and Herbert A. Smith of this city were attributed to heart trouble superinduced by the extreme cold. Gus Johnson, who went out on Wednesday night to search for drift wood, was being sought in the harbor. Officers of the few vessels which came to port reported the gale reached a velocity of sixty-five miles an hour. Fishing craft came in encrusted with ice. The temperature moderated somewhat last evening.

SUGGEST McMURRAY FOR POSITION IN CABINET

Winnipeg, Dec. 23—Sixteen hundred persons of North Winnipeg constituency last night unanimously passed a resolution urging Premier-elect Mackenzie King to appoint E. J. McMurray, minister of labor or minister of immigration.

BELIEVED MURDERED; BODY NEARLY BURNED IN UNDERTAKER'S ROOM

Limestone, Me., Dec. 23. — Omar Grandmaison, a farmhand from Isle Verte, Que., was found dead near here, yesterday, apparently the victim of violence. A few hours later the body was nearly destroyed by a fire in undertaking rooms to which it was removed. The fire was believed to have been due to a defective flue.

HERE FROM WOODSTOCK.

P. Frazer Armstrong, town manager of Woodstock, arrived in the city last evening to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Armstrong.