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Germany Accepts Dawes Reparation Report In Principle

PORT TRAFFIC IS \$2 MILLIONS

Shipyards Tie-up Comes as Things Looked Brighter

ALLIES WILL BE NOTIFIED ON MONDAY

Govt. Will Consult State Premiers Before Making Announcement.

FRANCE'S DEMANDS London Views the Situation with Satisfaction—Times Sees Difficulties.

BY CARL D. GROOT (United Press Staff Cor.) Berlin, April 12.—The German Government has accepted the Dawes report in principle. Delegates will be sent to Paris to appear before the Reparations Commission next week and communicate this decision to the Allies.

Formal announcement of Germany's acceptance is withheld until after a meeting of state premiers, summoned to convene in Berlin on Monday. After they have been invited to approve the Government's action the Allies will be informed of the decision.

Paris, April 12.—The semi-official conference accomplished what all the supreme councils failed to do, was the verdict of one of the members of the Reparations Commission last evening. "The Allies once again are united," was the comment of a prominent member of the Commission. "Germany no longer can count on a division among them."

Golden Opportunity. Paris, April 12.—(By Webb Miller, United Press staff correspondent)—A golden opportunity for European peace has been put squarely up to Germany by the dramatic gesture of the Reparations commission in accepting the Dawes report without debate, in the opinion of the members of the commission themselves.

Although word was received from Berlin that the government had decided to approve the plan, no comment on this was forthcoming from sources where it was said a definite formal announcement from Germany was awaited.

French Reservations. Although the acceptance of the plan by the Reparations Commission was announced as unanimous, it was reported today that Louis Barthou, representing France, made certain reservations regarding acceptance. This was said to have been done on Poincaré's instructions.

The French reservations are understood to be: 1. The report must be completed by a definite system of control and guarantees. 2. Specific penalties must be applied in the event Germany fails to support her promises.

Germany does not wish to be excluded from efforts to attain certain alterations. They include: 1. Evacuation of the Ruhr by French and Belgian troops. 2. The total reparations sum to be fixed in advance. It is understood the government will attempt to obtain both. It is not anticipated that the state premiers will attempt to sabotage the German government's intentions, but (Continued on page 2, sixth column.)

Radio "Heckler" Jumbles Up Speech

Kansas City, Mo., April 12.—Radio heckling in the latest development in political campaigning, so declared the Democratic City Central Committee here in announcing a re-ward of \$200 for information leading to the apprehension of a "radio vander" alleged to have interfered with broadcasting speeches in the heated city election campaign from Station WGO.

ACTRESS AGAIN IS AFTER MILLION

Evan Burrows Fontaine Renews Action Against Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney. San Francisco, April 12.—Evan Burrows Fontaine, a New York dancer, filed suit on Friday against Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney for \$1,000,000 to marry.

POSTAL MEN WILL AWAIT ACTION

Leaders Tell Canadian Government There Will be No Strike on Monday. Ottawa, April 12.—There will not be a strike on the postal service on Monday, leaders of the Canadian Federation of Postal Employees today informed the Government. They said that since willingness had been shown to deal with their salaries, they would wait until sufficient time had been given for action. If action is not acceptable to the service at large, the postal leaders said that the strike order stands.

Russia Sharp In Note to France

Moscow, April 12.—Russia today issued a sharp note to France, "rejection indignantly" the latter's interference in the trial of anti-Soviet spies at Kiev. The note was in reply to one from Premier Poincaré in which the French Premier urged clemency for the alleged spies on humanitarian grounds.

Quebec City Has A \$300,000 Fire

Quebec, Q., April 12.—Fire in the business section here involving a loss estimated as high as \$300,000 gutted the wholesale drygoods warehouse of W. McLymont and Sons, St. Antoine and St. Peters streets, this morning. The building is of stone and is reputed to be about 100 years old. It is a four story block.

Wire Briefs

Hull, Eng., April 12.—A memorial to the British and U. S. air men killed in the loss of the dirigible R 38 in 1921, was unveiled here yesterday. Warsaw, April 12.—The Government has been authorized by the Diet to accept the credit of 400,000,000 francs opened in Poland's favor by France to finance her military necessities. Reval, Estonia, April 12.—An ironclad ship will sail forth into the Baltic this spring to investigate the effects of terrestrial magnetism upon navigating instruments. Even the cooking utensils and the table knives are of bronze.

SHIP STRIKE IS GROWING IN SEVERITY

Industry Paralyzed; More Than 100,000 Out Now in British Yards.

ASQUITH SCORED

Liberals Disintegrating—Predict Labor Win in General Election.

U. S. BANKERS MOVE TO HELP GERMANY

Plans For Credit For German Gold and Discount Bank Announced.

New York, N. Y., April 12.—Plans for the establishment of a U. S. banking credit of between \$50,000,000 and \$100,000,000 for the new German gold and discount bank formed by Dr. Phalmer Schacht are announced through the International Acceptance Bank, acting for a syndicate of New York bankers. While negotiations have not been finally closed, it was said to be probable that the bank will provide an outlet for German dollar trade bills.

SET-BACK GIVEN DAUGHERTY PROBE

Bank Secures Order Restraining Senate Committee—Officials May be Haled to Bar.

Washington Court House, Ohio, April 12.—An almost complete check was administered here yesterday to the Senate Daugherty inquiry. A phalanx of lawyers made clear and certain the refusal of M. S. Daugherty and his associates to allow the financial transactions of General, ex-Jess E. Smith, the Attorney-General's "friend and bumper," now dead, in the Midland National bank, to be traced out by examination of the bank's records, by a hastily arranged legal proceeding which resulted in a temporary restraining order seeking to stop their inquiry.

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Drive to Right is Made Rule of the Road on Island.

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Policemen Quit To Try Other Vocations

New York, April 12.—The lure of high wages, with bonuses and short hours, for bricklayers, truck drivers and other similar occupations, proved too much for four patrolmen of the Nassau County police force. They resigned after complaining to Sheriff Kelsey that they had to work too hard and too long and that their pay of \$2,000 a year was far below the best bricklaying standard.

CONFESSIONS SHE LIVED DUAL LIFE

Mrs. Berwick, Carpenter's Wife by Day, Banker's Bride at Night.

DRIVEN TO FORGERY

Philadelphia Woman Says She was in the Grip of Blackmailers.

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These Are Speed Boys

Robert Chambers (left) and William Reber. They are workmen of a shipbuilding plant at Quincy, Mass., and they hold the record for driving rivets. This team can drive rivets, seven-eighths of an inch thick at the rate of 70 a minute.

NEW BRUNSWICK WAS USED AS STEPPING STONE TO UNITED STATES

New Brunswick has been used as a stepping stone for foreign immigrants into the United States, and the Canadian Immigration Department was fooled in the enterprise. Last November Angus McLean, president of the Bathurst Lumber Company, Limited, was asked by the Department and a stevedore company if he could place one hundred Poles who were skilled lumbermen and carpenters in this province. He replied he would take these men, guarantee them \$25 to \$30 a month and it was not very long until they were in the camp and the company they would get it.

VETERAN IS SUNK

Warship Australian Sent Below in Compliance With Washington Treaty.

GERMANS COMPETE WITH LOW PRICES

A New Brunswick Illustration of How They Are Going After Business.

PRESIDENT OF KINGS RESIGNS

Dr. T. Stannage Boyle Finds Health Condition Necessitates Long Rest.

Soviets Place 107 More on Trial

Moscow, April 12.—Before the Leninrad was tribunal yesterday trial of 107 persons, including the wife of General Daskoff and several former Soviet officers and officials on charges of espionage and connection with the counter-revolutionary organization known as the "Union for the salvation of Russia," was begun. General Sarin, chief minister of war in the Kerensky cabinet, has also been pronouncedly mentioned in connection with the organization.

FIGURES FOR YEAR GIVEN OUT

Business Through St. John Port in Twelve Months Reaches \$77,949,212.

INCREASE STEADY

Gradual Recovery After the Slump Following War is Noted.

The total imports and exports through the port of St. John, for the fiscal year which ended on March 31 last, show a gain of more than \$2,000,000 as compared with the previous fiscal year, according to figures received this morning at the Board of Trade from the Department of Customs and Excise, Ottawa.

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 1924, the figures are: Exports, \$57,326,748; imports, \$20,622,464; a total of \$77,949,212. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 1923, they were: Exports, \$55,127,568; imports, \$20,687,800, a total of \$75,815,368. This makes a total gain of \$2,133,844 for the year just closed.

Gain is Steady. This shows that the port is gradually coming back after the slump which followed the boom years of the war and is an increase of nearly \$7,000,000 over the fiscal year which ended March 31, 1922, the figures for which were: Exports, \$40,749,278; imports, \$21,869,386, making a total of \$62,618,664.

This shows a steady gain in the exports and a falling off in the imports, which would seem to indicate that the "buy at home" policy is having its effect.

From present indications the coming year will be an even better one than that just closed. The month of April is one of the busiest the port has seen and all the ships are bringing in and taking out good cargoes. During the war and the era of high prices St. John got up into the \$200,000,000 class, but since 1918 there had been a fall off. Now the tide has turned again.

SIXTY THOUSAND MINERS ARE IDLE

Failed to Agree on New Wage Scale in U. S., Says Lewis.

Washington, April 12.—Sixty thousand miners were declared today by John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers to be out of employment as a result of inactivity of operators and miners union officials to reach an agreement on the basis of the wage scale recently negotiated from the central competitive field. An additional 10,000 in southwestern Kentucky probably will cease work April 15, when armistices now in effect expire.

Tariff Cut Means Two New Mills

Vancouver, April 12.—Two new sawmills may be added to an investment of more than \$3,000,000 by the Nimpkish Timber Company as a result of the reduction proposed by the Government on sales tax logging and lumbering machinery.

Von Tirpitz Seeks Seat in Reichstag

Munich, April 12.—Admiral Von Tirpitz has announced his candidacy for a seat in the Reichstag for the upper Bavarian district on the German Nationalist party ticket. He was responsible for Germany's submarine campaign.

Weather Report

Toronto, April 12.—Pressure is high on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts with centres of low over Alberta, Lake Superior and the southwest states. The weather over the Dominion has been cool with light snow or rain in some sections of western provinces.

Table with columns: Stations, 8 a.m., Yesterday night, Highest during. Rows: Victoria, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Montreal, St. John, Halifax, New York.

Partly Cloudy. Maritime—Light to moderate winds, fair. Sunday moderate winds, partly cloudy, not much change in temperature.