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FRANCE ASSUMED INITIATIVE IN OCCUPYING GERMANY, ONLY WHEN DEVELOPMENTS JUSTIFIED MOVE

Reports of General Nollet, Head of the Allied Mission Into Germany, Indicated That the Machinations of the Militaristic Party Were Intended To Slowly, But Surely, Secretly Arm Thousands in Violation of the Versailles Peace Treaty.

Berlin, April 9.—A member of the French military control commission in Berlin is quoted by the Zeitung am Mittag as saying that the French advance is not due to imperialistic or militaristic influences, but was brought about mainly through reports of Gen. Nollet, head of the mission, who was able to look behind the scenes.

What is going on there, this authority declared, "is calculated to inspire the deepest distrust regarding the machinations of the German military leaders."

FRANCE AND GREAT BRITAIN MUST HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING

Paris, April 9.—The British attitude regarding the French occupation of Frankfurt will cause the opening of a diplomatic conversation between the powers of the Entente concerning the whole subject of action with regard to Germany, it was said today in official circles.

In this conversation the French attitude will be based first on maintenance of the status quo, and second, on strict execution of the treaty of Versailles.

The French, although declaring themselves not satisfied with some of the terms of the treaty accepted it as finally signed and now consider it sort of a charter as regards relations with Germany.

Great Britain, it is thought here, considers it rather as a sort of elastic basis of settlement of European affairs which is capable of diverse modifications. The French, however, are not prepared to accept the idea of a new settlement, during which France, it is stated, will probably ask Great Britain whether it stands for execution of the treaty.

The opinion is expressed that while maintenance of the Entente is the point on which future conversations must be based, there appears to be a need of readjustment of the relations of the Entente powers to the world situation having been to ward off the menace of aggression by Germany, it was contended during the war, but was never adjusted to after-war conditions, which, it is asserted here, require a more comprehensive accord.

MACHINE GUN WAS FIRED INTO GERMAN CROWD BY MISTAKE
Frankfurt, April 9.—(By the Associated Press.) An assertion that there was no intention to fire a machine gun into a crowd here on Wednesday, that the incident was really a mishap, is made by a French officer who witnessed it. Fear on the part of a French soldier that he was ordered to rush the patrol in the street led to the tragedy.

This man, it is declared, shot a belt of machine gun fire into the crowd, the purpose of firing one shot to disperse the crowd. The soldier, however, caused the incident to lose his head, and that whole French soldier that he was ordered to rush the patrol in the street led to the tragedy.

INUNCTION SOUGHT TO PREVENT MEMBERS FROM INTERFERING
Publishing Society Alleges the Christian Scientists Are Retarding Its Efforts.

Boston, April 9.—A bill was filed in the Massachusetts supreme court yesterday by Herbert W. Eustace and other trustees of the Christian Science Publishing Society, seeking a temporary injunction to restrain Luther P. Cudworth, of "The Church of Christ Scientist," from taking further action intended to interfere with the publication of the periodicals of the society, have interfered with employees to hinder, delay, and prevent the publication of periodicals on their appointed dates, and have sent out false and misleading statements regarding the administration of the trust by the trustees.

TO WITHDRAW OFFER.
Berlin, April 9.—The Reichsbank has announced that it will shortly withdraw its offer to pay a premium from the silver mark in view of the drop in the price of silver all over the world.

What's Doing Tonight?
THEATRES.
Majestic—"The End of the Road."
Leeva—David Bennett in "What Every Woman Learns."
Allen—Jack Pickford in "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come," and Charlie Chaplin, Grand-George Arliss in "Poldark."

OTHER EVENTS.
Order of Easterns—Trinity Church, 8 p.m.
A. F. and M. S.—John's Lodge 2020, Masonic Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Richard Courde de Lion Preceptor—4-Masonic Hall, 7:30 p.m.
33rd Comrades—G. W. V. A. Rooms, 8 p.m.
Inside Woodworkers—Local 2300 meets at 212½ Dundas street.

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BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE TOWARD FRANCE IS SCORED BY TIMES

London Newspaper Regards Anglo-French Situation As Delicate.

CRITICIZES PREMIER

Declares Government Statement On Occupation a "Rude Shock."

London, April 9.—The London Times says that a crisis has arisen in Anglo-French relations, and that contrary to assurances that the differences of opinion between the Allies regarding the neutral zone by German troops were about to be composed by a friendly understanding, it appears that the British Government yesterday took steps to emphasize their disagreement with the policy of France. The Times adds that during the day M. Camben, the French ambassador, had a long interview with Earl Curzon. "Soon afterwards," continues the paper, "one of the premier's private secretaries, Philip Kerr, of Bullitt fame, invited the French representative to the provincial press to Downing street and informed them of Mr. Lloyd George's standpoint. Simultaneously private communication on similar lines was addressed to the London press, and various worded communications were issued for publication through the news agencies. These statements are understood to have been on the same lines as Earl Curzon's representations to the French ambassador.

Independent diplomatic testimony, according to the Times, is to the effect that the German Government is in reality controlled by military forces. It is therefore held that France was justified in acting swiftly when her allies hostile action.

Opposed to Lloyd George.
The Times has been consistently distrustful of German policy, and strongly antagonistic to Premier Lloyd George. In an editorial this morning the paper expresses extreme indignation at the British Government's attitude with regard to the occupation of the Rhine.

"We seldom have read a more lamentable or more shameful exposition of English policy," says the paper. "Is this the return we are to make to France for all that she has done and suffered by our side?"

The Times regrets the French "error in judgment" in sending so many "frivolous" reports to the British Government, but it thinks that the French have been misled by the German propaganda.

LOYD GEORGE'S STAND.
London, April 9.—In official quarters last evening it was alleged that Mr. Lloyd George's attitude toward the French Government through the British ambassador at Paris.

A discussion had been proceeding for some time in regard to various suggestions dealing with the situation, but no agreement had been reached. One suggestion was that German forces should be permitted to occupy the Ruhr area, and that the French should be allowed to occupy the Ruhr area.

MAJOR JOHN BLAIR
DENTAL DIRECTOR
D. S. C. R. Appointment Given To Popular Officer.

Major John Freeman Blair, D.S.O., of this city, has been appointed dental director of the D. S. C. R. in F. Unit, according to an announcement made at headquarters of the department.

Major Blair was born and brought up in London. Previous to enlisting in 1915 he practiced dentistry in Winnipeg. He enlisted in the 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles in the city of London, A. C. M. in April, 1915, and proceeded overseas in the following September.

He served in France with the 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles, and was awarded the D. S. O. He held various administrative positions in England, and was promoted to the rank of Major in the 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles.

ST. KITTS ALDERMEN FIGHT FIRE WHILE FIREMEN STRIKE
Several False Alarms On First Night of Walkout.

St. Catharines, April 9.—The first night of the firemen's strike was marked by several false alarms and the burning of the grandstand at the lacrosse grounds, which was completely destroyed at 5 o'clock this morning. A total absence of firemen enabled the volunteer firemen, chiefly aldermen members of the city hall staff, to prevent the flames from spreading.

ALBERTA CATTLEMEN ALARMED BECAUSE OF SHORTAGE IN FEED
Winnipeg, April 9.—The cattlemen of Alberta are facing a critical situation on account of the late spring. We are not sure whether we will get there or not," declared George Lane of Calgary, well-known rancher, who was in Winnipeg on his way to Montreal on business.

"There is more snow in Alberta now than I have seen at this time of year in 35 years. The cattle cannot get out on the range to feed, and our supply of feed is getting very low."

NUGGET MINING AT PINE HILL



Club in Rochester Herald.

Schooner Captain Unable To Get Crew, Sails Craft Alone

Atlantic City, April 9.—Distress signals flown by the two-masted schooner Marion Curtis, off Barnegat, late last night, brought coast guardsmen rushing to her "rescue." They were welcomed by Captain Constantine Bowen, who was alone on the ship.

"I didn't have any," the skipper replied. "I navigated her myself." Captain Bowen explained that when he left Mississauga, Conn., more than three days ago he was unable to recruit a crew except at wages which would have eaten the profits of his voyage. He had aboard 12,000 seed oysters consigned to Atlantic City shippers.

The skipper declared that when he fell asleep on his lonely voyage he anchored his craft and took a snooze. When he awoke, he found he had to have to and cooked his meals. Just before reaching this port, he ran into a gale which crippled his gear and necessitated his calling for outside help.

Ordinarily, navigation of a vessel of the size of the schooner on a trip of this kind requires five men.

ONTARIO LIKELY TO HAVE OWN DIVORCE COURTS SOON

Ottawa, April 9.—Two bills were introduced in the Senate yesterday, the effect of which would be to give divorce powers to all the provinces except Quebec. This would have the effect of taking divorce cases out of Parliament almost entirely, and would leave the courts on critical charges.

WILL PROSECUTE TO LIMIT CHICAGO GRAIN 'CORNERERS'
Chicago, April 9.—Attorney-General Palmer yesterday announced that he would prosecute to limit Chicago grain "cornerers."

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VETERAN DISAPPEARS AFTER VIEWING BODY
Kingston Police Are Searching For William Allen.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Kingston, April 9.—William Allen, aged 38, has disappeared from his home in Nanapan, and the police are endeavoring to locate him. He had been missing for a week. He is a returned soldier, and has been confined to a hospital undergoing treatment. His father died, and he was called to his home. After viewing the body of his father he mysteriously disappeared, and up till the present no clue has been found of his whereabouts.

WANTS LIST OF NAMES OF MEN FORCED TO DO WAR DUTY AT HOME
Ottawa, April 9.—By Canadian Press. In a man who tried on several occasions to do his bit in the front line trenches during the war, the authorities were able to go overseas at first application. He is apparently the question in the mind of H. M. Mowat, member of Parliament for the House of Commons. He will ask in the House on Monday for a list of the names of men who were forced to do war duty at home.

FLAVELLE ADMITS NO VISHNICK SUPPLIED BEFORE LAST FALL
Toronto, April 9.—Clashes between H. H. Dewar and J. D. Flavelle, champion of the Ontario license commission, featured today's session of the public accounts committee of the Legislature, at which Mr. Flavelle gave evidence with regard to the vishnick supplied to Toronto Jews for the Feast of the Atonement last fall.

Mr. Flavelle denied that the liquor had been issued with any political purpose. He admitted that it had not been issued in previous years.

CHICAGO SWITCHMEN RETURNING TO WORK; CONGESTION PREVAILS

Passenger Trains Discharge Travelers At Suburban Stations.

FACTORIES ARE CLOSED

50,000 Workers in Packing Houses Forced Into Idleness.

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ESTABLISH RENT COURTS ONTARIO AS MEANS TO PUT CHECK ON EXCESSIVE RATES

Hon. Walter Rollo Believes Such a Plan Would Tend To Solve Problem of High Rents—Special Bodies Would Be Conducted Along the Line of Courts of Revision—Would Give Owner and Tenant Equal Chances.

Toronto, April 9.—Establishment of rent courts may prove the solution of the problem of high rents in Ontario, according to Hon. Walter Rollo, minister of labor. Mr. Rollo's proposal, as outlined today, is to give municipalities throughout the province, authority to appoint local courts with power to regulate rents.

"The courts would be appointed and constituted along the line of courts of revision," the minister explained. "They would receive applications from tenants who felt that they were being charged excessive rents, or from landlords who desired to increase their rents. The court would determine what constituted a fair rent for the property in question, and both parties would be bound by their finding, with the right, of course, of appeal to a higher court. The publicity attendant on this system would help to checkmate profiteering."

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SAYS INDIANS' CLAIM OF BEING ALLIES IS PURELY MYTHICAL

Representatives of Tribes Continue Opposition To Amendment.

Ottawa, April 9.—(By Canadian Press.)—Continuing the opposition to the proposed amendment to the Indian act, delegates from British Columbia and the Six Nations tribes located in Eastern Canada, charged before the special committee today that the amendment meant more than compulsory enfranchisement. It would subject the Indians to the same laws as the white people, and would take away from them the right to reserve land, according to A. E. O'Meara, representing British Columbia tribes.

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