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THRONGS GATHER FOR INAUGURATION OF U. S. PRESIDENT

Ceremonial in Washington Marked By Simplicity

Military Escort and Uniforms of Diplomatic Court Only Touches of Color—Harding Speaks to Great Sea of Humanity.

(By Canadian Press) Washington, March 4.—Warren G. Harding was inaugurated President of the United States today with ceremonies almost as simple as those customarily attending the opening of a session of the Canadian parliament at Ottawa.

Had Mr. Harding's personal wishes been adhered to strictly, the ceremonies would have been more simple, but the Congressional Inauguration Committee made some arrangements on its own account. These included a cavalry escort of four troops for the president in his ride from his hotel to the Capitol and thence to the White House.

This little cavalcade contrasted strangely with the great military and civil processions which have attended inaugurations for half a century or more.

Besides the cavalry escort, the Congressional Inauguration Committee had arranged for several companies of marines at (Continued on page 4, third column.)

N. C. SCOTT DEAD

Prominent North End Business Man Has Passed Away

Many friends in this city will regret to learn of the death of Norman Cunningham Scott, who took place this morning at his residence, 99 Douglas avenue, after an illness of a few months.

He was born in Millish, Kings County, on February 11, 1847, a son of the late John and Margaret Scott. He was one of the best known and most prominent business men in the North End, conducting a grocery business at the corner of Main street, and for many years has been known as "Scott's Corner."

Before going into business for himself many years he was prominent in shipping circles and at one time owned as many as fifteen vessels, sailing out of this port, but some years ago disposed of his interests. His last vessel was the Commodore, which he disposed of three years ago. It will be recalled that some time back he was in a severe storm, and afterwards it was lost in a severe storm.

In religion Mr. Scott was a Baptist, and an active member of German street Baptist church. In politics he was a Liberal.

Besides his wife, who was formerly Miss Mary E. Branscombe of Waterbury, Queens county, he leaves four sons, Frank S. of Amherst, Ira D., who was associated with his father in business, C. Harold, of the Furness, Withy Company, and A. Gordon, at home.

Mrs. Warren Oglivie of Turro and Mrs. F. C. Bonnell, daughters, were killed in an automobile accident in New Glasgow on August 17, 1918, and the death of these dear little daughters was a great shock to Mr. Scott, and since that time his health has been impaired. He is survived by two brothers, Fred E. of St. John and Joseph E. of Pittsburg, and two sons, Margaret Elston of Millish and Mrs. Joseph McColgan of Sea Dog Cove, also one grandchild, Margaret Phyllis Oglivie of Turro. Funeral arrangements had not been completed this afternoon.

APPROPRIATION FOR BRIDGE OVER RESTIGOUCHE

Fredrickson, N. B., March 4.—Hon. P. J. Veniot announced this morning that the government had decided to place in the estimates an amount sufficient to meet New Brunswick's share of cost of the preliminary work in connection with the proposed inter-provincial bridge across the Restigouche River from Campbellton, N. B., to Cross Point, Que.

The estimated cost of the bridge, he said, was between \$700,000 and \$800,000, of which the federal government was asked to pay one half, the other half to be divided between New Brunswick and Quebec.

WOODROW WILSON VERY FEEBLE

Washington, March 4.—At the inauguration of Warren G. Harding, as president of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, accompanied by the president-elect from the White House to the capitol, but, yielding to the entreaties of his family and physicians, took no part in the inaugural ceremonies. Mr. Wilson, who appeared very feeble, had to be assisted by secret service men.

DEATH OF ROBERT MCKAY.

Robert McKay died yesterday at his residence, 88 Simonds street, after an illness of about 3 months. He leaves his wife and 1 daughter, five brothers—William, David, Charles, James and Albert, all of this city; and one sister, Mrs. Orland Slippington, of West St. John. Mr. McKay was a ship fastener by trade, and seventy-five years of age. He was a member of No. 5 Fire station for a number of years, and was well liked on all sides. The relatives will have the funeral of many friends in their loss.

Very Little Meat In Harding's Speech Today

Not Satisfied With Present League of Nations—Glittering Generalities About International Relations—Much About Greatness of America—Favors Protective Policy.

Washington, March 4.—President Harding, in his inaugural address today, declared that the United States "seeks no part in directing the destinies of the Old World, and is unwilling to become entangled in European politics."

Nevertheless, speaking in behalf of the people of the United States, he expresses willingness to associate with the other nations of the world in seeking an agreement for the reduction of armaments; in suggesting plans for mediation, conciliation and arbitration, in clarifying the laws of international relationship and in establishing a world court for the disposal of justifiable questions.

"Today, better than ever before, we know the aspirations of human kind and share them," he declared.

The recorded progress of the United States, Mr. Harding said, proved the wisdom of the nation's "non-involvement in old world affairs."

NO PERMANENT MILITARY ALLIANCE "Confidence of our ability to work out our own destinies, and jealously guarding our right to do so," he continues, "we seek no part in directing the destinies of the old world. We will accept no responsibility except as our own conscience and judgment in each instance may determine. Our eyes never will be blind to a developing menace, our ears never deaf to the call of civilization, and we recognize the new order in the world, with the closer contacts which progress has wrought. We sense the need of the human heart for fellowship, fraternity and co-operation. We crave friendship and harbor no hate. But America can be party to no permanent military alliance. It can enter into no political commitments, nor assume any economic obligations which subject our decisions to any other than our own authority.

"I am sure our own people will not misunderstand nor will the world misconstrue. We have no thought to impede the paths to closer relationship. We wish to promote understanding. We want to do our part in making offensive warfare so hateful that governments and people who resort to it must prove the righteousness of their cause or stand as outlaws before the bar of civilization.

"We are ready to associate ourselves with the nations of the world, great and small, for conference, for concert, to seek the expressed views of world opinion, to recommend a way to approximate disarmament and relieve the crushing burdens of military and naval establishments. We elect to participate in suggesting plans for mediation, conciliation and arbitration, and would gladly join in the expression of a desire for progress which seeks to clarify and write the laws of international relationship and establish a world court for the disposition of such justifiable questions as nations are agreed to submit thereto, as expressing our aspirations and our faith in the translating humanity's new concept of righteousness and justice and its hatred of war into recommended action. We are ready most heartily to unite, but every commitment must be made in the exercise of our natural sovereignty.

"Since freedom, independence and national integrity are the common aim of every nation, we have no sanction by our republic. This is not selfishness, it is sanity. It is not aloofness, it is security. It is not a suspicion of others, it is patriotic adherence to the things which make us what we are.

"The selfishness of the United States had been proven, Mr. Harding said, and the concern of the people of the world is that they be preserved from the people states of the present generation, had it impassioned and eager expression.

While he made no direct reference to the League of Nations Mr. Harding admitted that the participation of the United States would have to be accomplished through some agency other than the present league.

In deliberate questioning of a suggested change of national policy which internationally was to supersede nationality, he said, "we turned to a referendum to the American people. There was ample discussion and there is a public mandate in manifest understanding.

Dealing with commercial problems which confront the United States, Mr. Harding declared particularly for the development of trade with other nations of the American continent. "We must understand that ties of trade bind nations in closest intimacy none may receive except as he gives." We have not strengthened ours in accordance with our resources or our genius, notably in unbalanced industry, and the new United States president, it did involve the country in a delirium of expenditure, in expanded currency and credits, in unbalanced industry, and in "unspeakable waste and disturbed relations."

As Hiram Sees It

"Wall" said Mr. Hiram Hornbourn to the Times reporter, "I'm point down to City Hall to see if I can't make a dicker."

"Did you think of buying 'hens'?" asked the reporter, "for are you looking for a job as policeman?"

"Naw, naw," said Hiram. "I want to see if they don't want to buy 'em."

"Hens!" said the reporter, "you remind me of a hibernian friend of the period when a bulge in the hip-pocket was a distinction."

"But a hen," said the reporter, "always wants a little sand in her crop—so I am told by experts. What if they were arrested for stealing sand and were locked up—and you were arrested for harboring them?"

"If I was a harbor," said Hiram, "they was thieves—we wouldn't be arrested—no, sir—not in St. John."

"Do you mean," said the reporter, "that we would harbor thieves?"

"I heard some talk about harboring thieves lately," said Hiram, "but I ain't no thief-lawyer. What I'm talkin' about is a scratch game—not a scratch game—yes, sir."

OFFICERS TO MEET IN FREDERICTON FOR WAR GAME

(Special to Times) Fredericton, N. B., March 4.—A large number of officers of the militia units of the N. B. Military District are expected here on the 16th inst., to take part in a war game authorized from Ottawa.

Transportation and other expenses will be paid by the Militia Department. As the opening of the Legislature will take place on the 17th and many militia officers will be requested to be in attendance on the night of the 18th, it is probable that the opportunity of attending both events

MARRIED IN FREDERICTON

Fredrickton, N. B., March 4.—Miss Beattie Elizabeth Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clark of this city, and Byron Frank Taber of Bloomfield, Kings county, were married in the Brunswick street Baptist parsonage on Thursday night by Rev. G. C. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Upton of Fredericton attended.

UNDER PRESSURE IN WALL STREET

Atlantic Gulf and West Indies S. S. Lines Hammered Down This Morning.

New York, March 4.—(11 a.m.)—Common and preferred shares of the Atlantic Gulf and West Indies Steamship Lines were under further severe selling pressure on the opening of today's stock market. Both issues fell five points, presumably as a result of the postponement of dividend action on the preferred.

Utah Copper, American Tobacco and International Paper also forfeited one point each in the early dealings.

Cruible Steel rose 1 1/2 at the outset and some of the oils and sugars registered moderate initial gains. The entire list developed a reactionary trend, however, within the first half hour.

Noon Report. Atlantic Gulf shares continued to dominate the market during the morning. The common, on its rally of 1 3/4 points, furnished almost twenty per cent. of the first hour's business. It preferred stock rallied three points, and other rails also improved. Chandler, Studebaker, Kelly-Springfield, Hide and Leather preferred, Industrial Alcohol and American Lined rose one to 2 1/2 points.

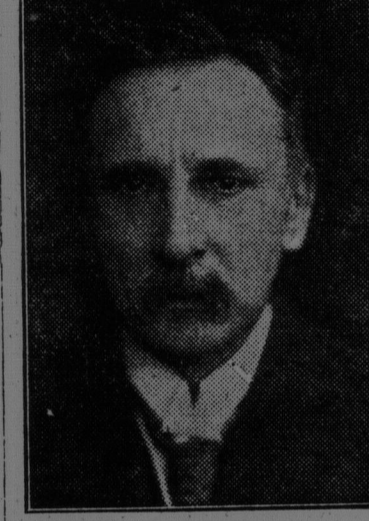
The only weak shares were Heger Sugar, Food Products, Sunnata Tobacco and Consolidated Cigars, which reacted two to almost three points. Rails were unchanged aside from Reading's recovery and moderate strength among other coalers. Call money opened at seven per cent.

TROUBLES OF NEW YORK SECURITIES FIRM New York, March 4.—Federal receiver appointed yesterday for Imbrie & Co., securities dealers. Liabilities were placed at \$1,810,000, and assets at \$1,300,000. Shortage of cash and liquid assets was alleged.

HORMAN'S TROPHIES Twenty-four cups and eight medals were won by Charles Gorman, speed skater, on an display in Charles Baile's window, King street. The lot includes those won at the Canadian championships at Montreal, the national championships skated at Saranac Lake and the international championships at Lake Placid, also cups won, since his return, in the maritime championships. The window is tastefully decorated and is attracting considerable attention.

Call For Revolution By German Workers

Communist Party Takes Advantage of Situation Caused by Allied Demands—Plans Under Way to Compel Obedience to Allied Orders.



IN THE COMMONS.

Berlin, March 4.—The German Communist party today made the Allies ultimatum the occasion for a revolutionary proclamation in which the German working men are called on to overthrow the government, erect a soviet state, and effect a political and economic alliance with Russia.

The communists announce that demonstrations will be held on Sunday.

London, March 4.—Vague hints that discussions were going on between the British and the German governments regarding the disposition of the Ruhr, and the members of the German delegation told newspapermen at midnight that they had heard nothing from Berlin relative to the address made yesterday by Lloyd George in presenting an ultimatum to Dr. Brüning.

Yesterday's newspapers engaged in speculation regarding the extent of the Allied military measures to be adopted if the German measures to be adopted in the Ruhr were not accepted.

The Daily Mirror claimed to have information that the British war office was ready to place a division of infantry at the disposal of Marshal Foch, and the newspaper said it understood that the British would occupy Dusseldorf.

Andrew Bonar Law remarked in the House of Commons the other day that the number of British troops on the Rhine was 12,000.

Mr. Sheard of Toronto, who demanded in the House of Commons address that the general election be deferred until after redistribution. He said one of the big problems that the Meighen administration had to deal with was railway administration.

POST OFFICE MEN NOT LIKELY TO LOSE THEIR POSTS

Ottawa, March 4.—The proposal of the firm of efficiency experts, Griffenhagen and Co., for various reforms in the post office department, involving the dismissal of some 800 employees is in suspense.

Some of the suggestions made for reorganization of various branches are being applied but it is claimed that no action along the line of a reduction of staffs, save those over the age limit fixed last year, has been taken and none is likely to be taken in a hurry.

REVOLVER SHOTS CHECK ATTEMPT AT SAFE CRACKING

Boston, March 4.—An attempt at safe cracking was detected early today by police in the South Boston district which captured three men after an exchange of shots. Elevated Railway company in Amory street today. There were forty-five cars burned.

New York, March 4.—Warren G. Harding, who today becomes President of the United States, will get no sleep with his White House duties.

Mrs. Harding, it is announced here today, has joined a movement of United States housewives to eliminate one article of diet from the dining table and give the money saved to the fund for famine sufferers in China. She decided to eliminate soup.

NO SOUP AT THE WHITE HOUSE TABLE

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Boston, Mass., March 4.—Fire, which caused damage estimated at \$400,000, partly destroyed the car barns of the elevated railway company in Amory street today. There were forty-five cars burned.

Quebec, March 4.—A substantial reduction in the contributions paid by municipalities for the maintenance of provincial and other highways is being contemplated by the Quebec government, according to a statement made here yesterday by Premier Taschereau.

THOS. STEARS DEAD

As a result of injuries sustained on Tuesday in a fall from the C. P. R. trestle near Mill street, Thomas Stears, 63, died in the General Hospital at 10 o'clock today.

He was employed as section foreman between the city and Fairville and had been in the employ of the C. P. R. a great many years.

Mr. Stears was fifty-nine years of age and leaves besides his wife, five sons, two daughters, three sisters and one brother. The sons are Harold, Kenneth, Jack, George and John, and the daughters are Mrs. Langman and Miss E. Stears. Mrs. E. Jennings, Mrs. J. Nichols and Mrs. E. Fillion are the sisters surviving, and John Stears is a brother. All the relatives are of this city. They have the sympathy of many friends in their time of sorrow.

BIG LOT OF OUR SECURITIES TO MATURE THIS YEAR

New York, March 4.—(Canadian Press.)—Bankers interested in Canadian finance express the opinion that the \$40,000,000 of Canadian government securities maturing in this market in April and August will be paid off without a refunding operation, according to this morning's Tribune.

The newspaper says that a Canadian representative who has been here this week conferring with the bankers has reported to Ottawa to report back to the Canadian minister of finance.

FAREWELL TO WILSON

New York, March 4.—(Canadian Press.)—The New York Times this morning gives President Wilson a warm send-off after eight years of administrative service at Washington, by publishing messages of praise from eminent statesmen and men of affairs in all parts of the world, including Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Japan, Brazil and Spain.

The comment of political Germans is particularly bitter. Prince Max of Baden says President Wilson has played false to his own ideals. "The cry of those who once loved Wilson must be: 'Long live the cause betrayed!'"

Count von Bernstorff, former German ambassador at Washington, says he is the last man in the world to write about Woodrow Wilson, but thanks the World for the request.

QUERIES IN PARLIAMENT

Ottawa, Ont., March 4.—(Canadian Press.)—Whether or not German goods are subject to the same customs regulations as other European goods coming into Canada is being asked in the House of Commons by F. Rinfret (St. James). He is asking if the government has any intention of levying a special tax on authorized insurance companies known as mutual companies.

Buenos Aires reports serious labor trouble is feared at Cordoba.

MAJORITY OF TWENTY-FIVE FOR THE GOVERNMENT

King Amendment Defeated Early This Morning

Even the Sick Brought Into Commons Chamber When Speaking Ended and the Vote Was Called at 4 a. m.

(Special to The Times) Ottawa, Ont., March 4.—The government's first majority of the session in defeating the King "no confidence" amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne was twenty-five. The vote was as follows: Yeas, 116; nays, 91, and besides these there were some pairs. It was noticeable that the only members rising to say that they did not vote because paired with members on the other side were Liberals and Progressives.

"Where are your men who paired with our absent ones?" called out Jacques Bureau, member for three Rivers. "Your majority is being whittled down."

It was calculated that if the Liberals and Progressives had not granted these pairs the government majority would have been about eighty-eight. Some of the sick members will not be available for future votes.

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Two men from No Man's Land's law firm were seen here and there and were seen by the members of the government benches, while the Liberals cried "Shame."

Only the mover and seconder voted for the sub-amendment. W. A. Buchanan abstaining because he was paired with R. L. Richardson, now ill in Winnipeg.

When the sub-amendment was defeated without division, the King amendment was next in order. The division bell rang at four o'clock.

Helped in Vote. For the next few minutes the members poured in the House of Commons chamber from all parts of the building. Some had been sleeping, some sitting with members of a like mind, and others dosing and waking at intervals. A few had even been assisted by listening to the speeches by which the members drew the debate through the night. Among those who entered the chamber to vote were Mr. G. G. Ross, who walked wearily as he had interrupted his convalescence from serious illness to obey the government's Macionian cry. E. G. Porter, M. P., received a chorus of cheers from the Unionist benches when he came in assisted by a member on either side. A greater volume of cheering broke out when five government whips came in together and the Liberal whip, W. D. Robb, flew. The Liberals were all in their places first. There were fewer vacant chairs than at any time since parliament convened. Patriotic songs rang out from the Liberal side until the vote was taken, and the long, hot, arduous debate was over.

THURATY PLANS FOR MURDER IN CLEVELAND

Cleveland, March 4.—Plots which involved the planned assassination of Cleveland citizens connected with the Lloyd American League, the dynamiting of downtown buildings and an intensive campaign of anarchistic propaganda throughout the city, have been snuffed out by the arrest of eight men, said to be members of an anarchistic group.

OFF STREETS AFTER NINE AT NIGHT

Police Have Power in Matter of Children Up to Sixteen Years.

Ottawa, March 4.—The police department has now power to see that children under sixteen years of age are off the streets at nine o'clock at night unless accompanied by a guardian. This was the opinion given the board of control by City Solicitor Proctor, and so the board will ask the police more strictly to enforce the law. This is the board's reply to the denunciation which asked that a curfew law be enacted.