

JOHANNESBURG SITUATION NOW MOST ALARMING

Strikers Hoist Red Flag and Threaten to Close Every Business Place. MOB LAW RULES EAST AND WEST RAN

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Police Make No Effort to End Campaign of Violence and Intimidation.

London, March 10—The situation at Johannesburg is most alarming. Minister's correspondent states...

RUM-RUNNERS AND PROHIBITION SQUAD IN GUN BATTLE

Alleged Canadian Booze Smugglers Put Up Spirited Fight With Revolvers.

DELEGATION ACCUSED OF COVERING UP

U. S. Representatives at Arms Conference Attacked by Pacific Treaty's Opponents.

PUBLIC GIVEN WRONG IMPRESSION

Secretary Hughes Reported to Have Misrepresented Proceedings to the Press.

Washington, March 10—Pressing their attack on the manner in which the "Four Power Pacific Treaty" was negotiated...

TALK AT CROSS PURPOSES WAS CAUSE OF FIRE

Passage Between King and Meighen Arose from Misunderstanding Over Reports.

MEIGHEN POSSESSED SECRET DOCUMENT

Premier King Had Only Report of Imperial Conference Made Public in London.

Ottawa, March 10—(By Canadian Press)—Talking at cross purposes was, it now appears, at the bottom of the passage at arms between the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons yesterday over the report of the Conference of Premiers in London last summer.

CANADA MIGHT ADMINISTER WEST INDIES

Beaverbrook Suggests Dominion be Entrusted With Responsibility of Developing Colonial Possession.

SOLIDARITY DEPENDS ON PROSPERITY

Contends Too High Value Was Placed on Restoration of Central Europe Trade.

London, March 10—(Canadian Press Cable)—Lord Beaverbrook, speaking in London today, advanced the interesting suggestion that the Dominions should be entrusted, in certain cases, with the responsibility of helping the development of the Colonial Possessions of Great Britain...

STRIKE VOTE OF MINERS READY FOR THE COUNT

Officials of U. M. W. Believe Nine-Tenths of Workers Voted Walk-out.

SOFT COAL MINERS TO QUIT APRIL 1

Operators Have Rejected Labor Secretary's Plea to Meet Men Half Way.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 10—The strike vote of soft coal miners was completed, tonight, by local unions scattered throughout the country, and, though the exact returns will not be known for a week, officials of the United Mine Workers of America believe that nine-tenths or more of the workers cast their ballots for a walk-out on April 1, unless a new wage agreement is made in the meantime.

LIEUT. OF SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS SHOT BY SINN FEIN BAND

Since February 11, 22 Catholics and 17 Protestants Have Been Killed in Belfast.

LOSING FAITH IN ABILITY OF SPOOK HUNTER

Natives of Caledonia Mills Are Becoming Skeptical Over New York Scientist.

DR. PRINCE AWAITS THE "SPOOKY" SLAP

"Red" McGillivray Thinks the "Doc" Gives Too Much Attention to Theories.

Halifax, March 10—Dr. Franklin Prince, the spook seeker from New York, had not found the secret of the mysterious fires at the home of Alex. MacDonald, Caledonia Mills, N. S., up to a late hour this evening, according to a telephone message received here.

EARL READING MAY RESIGN AS INDIA VICEROY

Feeling Between Liberals and Conservatives in Coalition Intensified by India Incident.

MONTAGU'S SUCCESSOR NOT DECIDED UPON

Liberal Press Lament Secretary Allowed Himself to Take False Step.

London, March 10—There were no further developments in the India crisis tonight. It was stated authoritatively that an announcement of the name of the successor of Edwin S. Montagu as Secretary for India had been postponed until Monday or Tuesday.

CHICAGO LAWYER HEIR TO EARLDOM

Was at One Time Farm Laborer Near Norwich, Ontario.

Chicago, March 10—Cyril Woodward Cibley Armstrong, one-time Canadian farmhand, and at present a lawyer in this city, today was informed that he is heir to a British Earldom.

BANDITS SECURE CASH AND JEWELRY

Make Rich Haul from New Braunfels State Bank and Escape.

San Antonio, Tex., March 10—Twenty thousand dollars in gold, silver and currency, and \$50,000 in state and county bonds, together with jewelry with an unofficial estimated value of several thousand dollars, were stolen when five bandits robbed the New Braunfels State Bank, thirty miles north of here, today, and escaped in an automobile.

NEGOTIATIONS FAILED TO AVERT LOCKOUT

Engineers in Great Britain Are Expected to Be Without Jobs Today.

London, March 11—An eleventh hour attempt to avert the lockout in the engineering trade was made after midnight, when the employers conferred at length with the engineers and delegates of other unions, but the negotiations failed, and the lockout will become effective, so far as the engineers are concerned, at noon today.

NORTHUMBERLAND MUST PAY THE HEALTH BILL

Court Order Says Municipality is Obligated to Pay Assessment.

Fredrington, N. B., March 10—Mr. Justice Barry today issued an order, on the action of the Minister of Health that the municipality of Northumberland pay a total of \$9,441.12 the total of assessments for public health purposes for 1920 and 1921. For 1920 the assessment was \$4,487.10 and for 1921 \$5,004.02.

B. C. LIQUOR ACT IS ULTRA VIRES

Province Now Has Power to Collect Tax on Liquors Imported.

Vancouver, March 10—The British Columbia Liquor Act is ultra vires and the Province of British Columbia has power to collect a tax on liquors imported. These two important decisions were handed down by the Court of Appeals this morning.

ST. LAWRENCE PROJECT GREATLY DESIRED

Associated Industries of Massachusetts Report Favorably on the Scheme.

Boston, March 10—The St. Lawrence waterway project is desirable from the standpoint of the country as a whole, and is feasible as an engineering feat, in the opinion of a Committee, appointed by the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, which reported today its approval of the plan.

G. W. V. A. PETITION HANDED PREMIER

Vets Make Eleven Requests of Gov't—Promised 'Sympathetic Consideration.'

Ottawa, March 10—A large delegation of the G. W. V. A. of Canada presented a petition covering eleven requests, to Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King here this afternoon. The delegation, which was headed by R. B. Maxwell, Dominion president, asked for revision for education of children of dead or disabled soldiers; housing measures for ex-soldiers and dependents; thorough investigation into Soldier Settlement Act; provision for unemployable ex-service men and dependents of those missing or deserted; suggestions as to canteen funds distribution; compensation for losses due to exchange fluctuations; and finally, that a Royal Commission or select committee of the House of Commons be appointed to investigate evidence as to amendments suggested to existing legislation.

FRENCH SUPPLIES SENT TO RUSSIA

First Shipment for Famine Sufferers Made by Government of France.

Marseilles, March 10—The French steamer Jacques Fruinset, with a full cargo of 4,500 tons of wheat destined for the famine sufferers of Russia, sailed from this port last night for Odessa. This is the first shipment of supplies to relieve French famine sufferers by the French Government.

RUSSIAN FAMINE POPULATION 30,000,000

Turkistan Now in Path of Threatened Desolation—Black Land Deserted.

Warsaw, March 10—Delegates from Moscow, arriving in Warsaw today to participate in the Helsinki Conference called by the League of Nations to convene here March 15, reported that the famine-stricken population of Russia now numbered approximately 30,000,000.

GANDHI PLACED UNDER ARREST

London, March 10—Mahatma Gandhi, the Indian non-cooperationist leader, has been placed under arrest. This announcement was made by the India Office tonight.

No details were given as to the place and manner of his arrest, but the announcement says there has been no trouble so far.

SEEKING CAUSE OF MONTREAL'S FIRE

Inquire Into Possible Origin of Fire Which Destroyed City Hall.

Montreal, March 10—Anarchy, compressed paper and electric wires were viewed as possible origins of the fire which destroyed Montreal's City Hall last Friday, in the course of the first session of the inquiry opened before Fire Commissioner Rielle here this afternoon.

LONE BANDIT DOES THE TRICK WELL

Detroit, March 10—A lone bandit at noon today jumped upon the running board of an automobile being driven by J. P. George, paymaster for a local contracting concern, compelled George and another employe to jump off, and drove away in the car with a satchel containing \$4,500 of the company's funds.

U. S. GRABBING TRADE OF NEWFOUNDLAND

Canada's Exports to Ancient Colony Fall Off Fifty Per Cent.

North Sydney, N. S., March 10—Canada's exports to Newfoundland having during the last few years decreased fifty per cent, while the ancient colony has greatly increased its imports from the United States, the Canadian Government has decided to send G. A. R. Emery, an official of the Department of Commerce, to the island to look into the possibilities of reviving Canadian-Newfoundland trade, according to a letter received by R. F. McNeill, secretary of the local Board of Trade. For some years this disturbing condition has engaged the attention of the Board of Trade here and strong representations have repeatedly been made to the Ottawa Government. Mr. Emery will leave Ottawa about March 18 and consult with business men here on route.

LANGLEY DISCHARGED BY MAGISTRATE

Alleged to Have Had Carnal Knowledge of Girl Aged Thirteen Years.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, March 10—James A. Langley, who had appeared several times before police magistrates since his arrest on the charge of having carnal knowledge of a girl, aged thirteen years, was discharged by Police Magistrate Limerick this afternoon, the magistrate taking the ground that evidence corroborative of the statements sworn to by the girl and her mother, had not been produced.