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FAR BELOW THE SUM THE TREATY AUTHORIZED

Hundred Billion Marks in Gold From Germany

Financial Conference in Brussels Working on That Basis—An Insolvent Creditor That Must Be Kept Going.

Brussels, Dec. 22.—Payment of one hundred billion marks in gold by Germany remains the basis upon which experts and delegates to the second financial conference, in session here, are working.

OIL FIELDS FOR BRITISH FIRMS?

Russians Said to Be Willing to Grant Concessions in Baku and Grodno.

London, Dec. 22.—The Times prints a report that Leonid Krasin, Russian Soviet minister of trade and commerce, has opened negotiations with two British oil concerns with a view to granting them concessions in the Baku and Grodno oil fields, which are said normally to produce ninety-five per cent. of the crude oil of Russia.

LAY GRIEVANCES BEFORE PREMIER

Two Delegations Interviewed Hon. Mr. Meighen on Toronto Visit.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Premier Meighen who was accompanied by Hon. Dr. J. D. Reid, minister of railways and canals visited Toronto yesterday and they left last night on their return to Ottawa.

CHRISTMAS DINNER IN CHICAGO CHEAPER

Chicago, Dec. 22.—The cost of living costs have knocked against the Christmas dinner, according to figures announced today by Russell J. Pook, secretary of the city council committee on high living costs.



On the right is Mrs. J. A. Wallace Simcoe, new president; on the left Mrs. J. S. Amos, of Woodstock, vice-president. Both took a prominent part in the convention in Toronto recently.

HUNDRED PUT TO DEATH IN RUSSIAN CAPITAL, FOR RIOT

London, Dec. 27.—A serious riot occurred recently in Petrograd, says a Helmsford despatch to the Central News, under yesterday's date. Many persons were killed or injured.

RESORTS ARE RAIDED AND 200 ARRESTED

New York, Dec. 22.—More than 200 men and five women, who were arrested in two raids on all night entertainment resorts early today, were lined up at various police stations today to be questioned.

THE CITY AND HYDRO

Discussing the matter of distribution of hydro-electric power from the Musquash development, Commissioner Frink said this morning that the question as to whether it would be handled by the city or by the N. B. Power Company has been referred to the decision as to whether it would be more advisable to create a new plant or to use that already in existence.

POWER COMPANY WILL CO-OPERATE

President Calls on Commissioner Frink Regarding Millidgeville Avenue Improvement.

I. R. Ross, president of the New Brunswick Power Co., called on Commissioner Frink this morning and expressed his pleasure at the improvement made by the city towards Millidgeville road to make it possible to extend the lines of the street railway in that direction.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Miss Doreen McAvity, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McAvity, Miss Colette White, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. White, and Miss Mary Murray arrived home today from Transjordan School, Montreal, to spend the Christmas holidays.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornebaum, "how about the brandy sauce for the Christmas pudding?"

"I was thinking today," said the reporter, "of last night's party. I remember you were carrying me back to the office on a Christmas Eve with my little legs under your arm."

HALIFAX PRESSES FOR COMPLETION OF TERMINALS WORK

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 22.—Premier Meighen has replied to the Halifax Board of Trade's letter inviting him to Halifax, regretting that he cannot come at present.

DANIELS IS OPPOSED

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OXFORD, N. S., HAS \$100,000 FIRE

Woodworking Factory of Davison & Parker Burned Early This Morning.

Oxford, N. S., Dec. 22.—Scelia Woodworkers Limited, a woodworking factory here owned by the firm of Davison & Parker, lumber merchants of Halifax, was completely destroyed by fire early this morning entailing a loss estimated at \$100,000, mostly covered by insurance.

HOLDS UP CHECK FOR POLICE CHIEF

Dartmouth Mayor to "Look Into" Matter of Pay for Official.

Dartmouth, N. S., Dec. 22.—Mayor H. O. Simpson, M. D. of Dartmouth, refused yesterday to sign a check for William MacKenzie, chief of police of the town, when he was signing checks for the other town employees.

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SAYS IT REALLY IS SALE OF BABES

Judge Condemns Loose System of Adoption in Salt Lake City.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 22.—Declaring that hundreds of babies are being literally sold in Salt Lake City every year, Judge Hugo B. Anderson, of the local juvenile court in his biennial report to the governor, recommends that legislation be introduced to prevent the continuance of the traffic.

GUN IN HAND IN SEARCH FOR CROOKS

Orders to the Police of Boston—More Suspects Gathered In.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Two score more of suspicious persons were gathered in by the police dragged in the twenty-four hours ended with roll call today.

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PEOPLE OF OLD LAND ANXIOUS WITH WORK SLACK

Some Think Crisis Worse Than Any Before

A Lot of Comment, a Good Deal of Criticism, But No Outstanding Concrete Suggestion for Meeting Situation.

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