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NAVAL POLICIES  
MATTER OF TALK  
WITH GEDDES

Conference With Earl Curzon and Lloyd George

German Disarmament Matter up on January 25—Churchill May be Next Colonial Secretary—The New French Cabinet.

London, Jan. 17.—The question of the naval policies of the United States and Great Britain will be one of the principal subjects discussed at a conference here by Sir Auckland Geddes, British Ambassador to the United States, Lloyd George and Earl Curzon, foreign secretary, so it was stated in authoritative quarters yesterday.

Paris, Jan. 17.—Prime Minister Lloyd George and Premier Briand, will meet on Jan. 25 for a conference on German disarmament and other matters now awaiting settlement.

The date was first fixed for January 19, but a postponement was made necessary because of the Italian cabinet, which developed here on last Wednesday.

Churchill Successor.

London, Jan. 17.—(Canadian Associated Press)—Lord Milner states that his resignation from the colonial office will take effect at the end of this month. It is understood that Hon. Winston Churchill will succeed him.

The times says that Mr. Churchill, in addition to the usual responsibilities of colonial secretary, will have charge of the mandated territories assigned to Great Britain under the terms of the peace treaty.

London, Jan. 17.—Winston Spencer Churchill, the war minister, it is reliably, although unofficially stated, has accepted the post of secretary of state for the colonies in succession to Viscount Milner, who resigned the portfolio on January 7.

Italy and The Treaty.

London, Jan. 17.—It has been unanimously decided by the Italian cabinet, says an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Rome, that in the coming supreme council in Paris it will be impossible for Italy to support any measure calculated to force Germany to fulfill in their entirety the obligations of the Versailles treaty or any measure which would accept the present disposition as regards the Near Eastern situation.

The New French Cabinet.

Paris, Jan. 17.—The general impression in political circles is that the Briand cabinet is a very powerful element, although many are deploring the absence of Mm. Poincare and Viviani from the combination. M. Briand has succeeded in forming his seventh cabinet, which, he himself says, embodies "national unity."

Paris, Jan. 17.—Little enthusiasm was today evidenced by newspapers of Paris over the new Briand cabinet. Expectations of a "great national administration" raised by Raoul Peret who announced his failure to form a cabinet, were not realized in the cabinet chosen by M. Briand. Most journals expressed mild satisfaction or reserved judgment. The Journal says that the new ministry contains every element except simple pure royalists and communists.

The Figeo, who recently supported former President Poincare for the presidency, openly expressed its disappointment saying—"It is the usual patchwork ministry, according to the pre-war formula," while the Oeuvre asked—"We have a new ministry; shall we have a new government?"

It is probable that the new ministry will present itself before the chamber Wednesday or Thursday, and M. Briand will at that time read the government's declaration of policy.

The Premier.

NEW PORT FOR  
TRADE WITH THE  
DOMINIONS

London, Jan. 17.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The corporation of Portsmouth are vigorously pursuing the project of developing Langstone harbor into a port specially designed to handle trade with dominions.

During the week members of the corporation had a conference with the high commissioners of the dominions, at which the plans for the new port were discussed.

THE EMBARGO AT  
SYDNEY IS OFF

Men Will Handle Dominion Steel Freight

Conference Held in Montreal Yesterday and Announcement Followed, But No Details Are Given.

Sydney, N. S., Jan. 17.—The embargo declared by the Brotherhood of Railroad Employes against the shipment of steel products from the plants of the steel companies of Cape Breton has been called off.

Sydney, N. S., Jan. 17.—Steel freight is now being moved by local C. N. B. switching crews, and twenty-five cars of steel products, principally ship-plates consigned to the department of marine and fisheries, left the city eleven o'clock over the eastern lines of the C. N. B. lines bound for Trenton, Montreal and other points.

Authority for calling off the embargo was received by local heads of the Brotherhood of Railway Employes from their grand officers, who have been in conference with W. A. Kingsley, general manager of the eastern lines of the C. N. B. at Montreal.

L. McLean, chief of the Sydney subdivision of the C. N. B. Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, admitted he had received instructions from brotherhood headquarters to move the freight, but would not make public the text of instructions.

BIG SPORT MEET  
IN G. W. V. A. HALL

Athletic Exhibition, Wrestling Match and Concert—A Treat for Sport Followers.

The concert and athletic meet, under the auspices of the New Brunswick Kennel Club, will be held tonight in the G. W. V. A. hall and not in the Market Building, Charlotte street, as previously announced. There will be an athletic exhibition, a wrestling match and a concert, which should be a treat to sport followers.

SIMPLE FARE  
BUT COST \$100

Another Hoover Dinner to Raise Money for Starving Children in Europe.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 17.—Herbert Hoover will be the guest of honor at a \$100 a plate luncheon here tonight. The proceeds will be used to help feed the 3,500,000 starving children of Central Europe.

The same men as had been prepared for similar luncheons throughout the United States, consisting of rice, black bread and a cup of cocoa, will be given to the patrons. Two hundred persons are expected to attend.

AGED MAN IS  
KILLED BY TRAIN  
AT MACCAN, N. S.

Amherst, N. S., Jan. 17.—At noon yesterday Henry Harrison, an eighty-five year old resident of Maccan was struck by a special coal freight while crossing the railway bridge of the Maritime Coal and Railway and Power Company's line near Maccan, and instantly killed. Mr. Harrison was hard of hearing and shortsighted, and it is thought that he was unaware of the approach of a train, until he was on the bridge and it was too late for him to turn back.

Death of John Wilson

S. A. ELECTIONS

Ten Seats by Acclamation, Seven of Them for South African Party.

London, Jan. 17.—(Canadian Associated Press)—Nominations in the South African elections, which will take place on February 8, were on last Friday. In the 134 constituencies ten members were elected by acclamation, seven of these being to the South African party, one to the Labor party, one to the Nationalist party, and one an independent.

A cable to the Times from Cape Town says that General Smuts' tour of the North Transvaal has been brilliantly successful, and that as a consequence the optimism of the South African party is increasing.

The Daily Telegraph's Cape Town correspondent states, Gen. Smuts is more popular, but says it is unlikely that his party will win seats from the Nationalists, though it is probable that the South African party may capture a fair number of seats from the Labor party.

REPORT ON FUR  
INDUSTRY OF  
THE DOMINION

Number of Silver Foxes on Farms in 1919 Was 6,438—New Brunswick Had 472.

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—(Canadian Press)—In a preliminary bulletin giving statistics on the fur-bearing industry in Canada, issued by the department of statistics, the value of the fur-bearing industry in the year 1919, is placed at \$3,998,781.

There were 414 fur farms in operation, including 249 in Prince Edward Island, 116 in the fur-bearing industry in Quebec in New Brunswick, fifty-two in Quebec in Ontario, one in Manitoba, one in Saskatchewan, eleven in Alberta, eight in British Columbia, and thirteen in the Yukon.

The number of silver foxes on farms was 6,438 with a total value of \$301,116. Of the total number of silver foxes, Prince Edward Island possessed 4,074, Nova Scotia 361, New Brunswick 472, Quebec 815, Ontario 20, British Columbia 260, British Columbia sixty-five, and the Yukon 114.

HEARD HUSBAND  
COUGH; FOUND  
HIM IN DEATH

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 17.—A coincidence is related today in connection with the death of Frank A. Dickson, which occurred at Lower St. Mary's on Saturday night. It appears that he was sitting up in bed reading and that his wife was in an adjoining room. Suddenly she heard him cough violently, rushing into the room, found the light, which was some feet away from the bed had gone out apparently at the same time he coughed. She secured a match and found her husband, who had been suffering from pneumonia, was dead.

CRAMPS DECLARE  
AGREEMENT WITH  
UNION IS ENDED

Philadelphia, Jan. 17.—J. H. Mull, president and manager of the William Cramp and Sons ship and engine building company, announced today that the agreement made a year ago with the metal trades department of the A. F. of L. has been discontinued.

The contract had provided that all intercourse between employer and employee should be carried on through a representative of the union. It terminated on December 31. The company's action, Mr. Mull said, was due to the breaking of agreements by the metal workers, about 500 of whom went on strike on December 22.

BOY HELD FOR  
THE KILLING OF  
HIS BROTHER

Sudbury, Ont., Jan. 17.—Delphis Baudeau, fourteen years old, was committed for trial at Espanola, Ont., on Friday on a charge of having murdered his 18-year-old brother, Leon.

The accused is said to have shot his brother with a .22-calibre rifle because Leon hit him with a hammer. The prisoner says that he did not know the rifle was loaded when he pointed it at Leon. The shooting occurred on Saturday, Jan. 8.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram" said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Howland "I have been thinking today about South America."

"Well," said Hiram, "that's a good sign."

"A good sign," said the reporter—"I don't understand."

"Most folks," said Hiram, "don't think any further away than the next dollar they're going to make—the next good time they calculate on."

"Many a time," said Hiram, "I've seen them—these fellows—live—yes, sir—'till they're dead."

"Oh, my mind just turned that way," said the reporter. "We hear very little about South America. And yet it is a great continent, with millions of people, who experience the same emotions as ourselves, and probably regard it themselves as our superiors in playing the game of life as it should be played. Ever think of that, Hiram?"

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APART AND U. S.

Solutions of Troublesome Questions Will be Found, is Expectation.

Tokyo, Jan. 17.—Government officials have not yet made public the text of the U. S. note protesting against the shooting of Lieut. W. H. Langdon by a Japanese sentry at Vladivostok. The Haro cabinet appears to retain its strength and it is believed it will survive the impending session of the Japanese diet, at which relations between this country and the United States will be discussed.

The correspondent of the Associated Press, who has just returned to Tokyo after a visit to many of the larger cities of the Far East found some uneasiness everywhere regarding relations between Japan and the United States.

In well informed circles these misgivings appeared to be based more upon what was described as "Japan's resentment to any American policy calculated to curb Japanese expansion in Asia," than upon the California question.

The latter problem, while touching Japan's national prestige and the interests of Japanese in the United States, is apparently not regarded with the same seriousness as the question of Japanese vital interests near Nippon.

In diplomatic circles here the opinion prevails that the situation does not justify the pessimistic noticeable outline the borders of the Japanese empire. On the other hand, it takes the view that the attitude of both the Tokio and Washington governments is based on conditions that a solution for troublesome matters now in the foreground will be discovered.

YORK SHOOTING  
CASE ON DOCKET

Fredericton Hears That Arthur R. Noble Will Not be in Court.

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 17.—Arthur R. Noble, it was announced today, will not return here from West Palm Beach, Florida, where he is now with his family, for the trial, this week, of Herbert L. Stevenson, a returned soldier and military medal winner, who is charged with "wounding with intent thereby then and there to kill" Noble, a local lumberman, who was with Mrs. Stevenson at the time in a seasonal shooting at Fry at Penniac, a few miles from here last November.

The case is one of four criminal matters on the docket for the York sittings of the King's bench division of the supreme court, which will open here tomorrow morning with Mr. Justice Barrington. The absence of Noble, it was later said by the crown prosecutor, J. B. Dickson, would not mean the dropping of the prosecution, as it was planned to see the deposition at the preliminary examination for Noble's evidence.

WARNING OF A  
STORM IS GIVEN

New York, Jan. 17.—The local bureau today issued the following storm warning: Storm central over the Gulf of St. Lawrence, to be expected in the afternoon and evening, with strong west and northwest gales this afternoon and tonight.

WEATHER  
REPORT

Used by authority of the Department of Fisheries, R. F. S. U. P. A. B., Director of meteorological service.

Synopsis.—The disturbance which was centred east of Georgian Bay last night is now central over New Brunswick. This movement has been attended by moderate gales with snow and rain in the maritime provinces. A western cold wave, which came down over the western provinces on Sunday, is giving decidedly cold weather in Ontario and western Quebec.

ASKS HARDING  
NOT TO SMOKE  
CIGARETTES

Topeka, Kansas, Jan. 17.—Miss Lucy Page Gaston of Chicago, representing the national anti-cigarette league, announced yesterday that she had received a reply from President-elect Harding in response to a letter in which she had asked him to refrain from the use of cigarettes, as an example to the youth of the nation.

"I think it is fine to save the youth of the United States from the tobacco habit," says Mr. Harding's reply, "I think, however, the movement ought to be carried on in perfect good faith and should be free from any kind of hypocrisy or deceit on the part of those who are giving it their earnest attention."

AT ODDS WITH  
PREMIER DRURY

Bit of Row is On in Ontario Politics

Secretary Morrison of United Farmers of Ontario Reported Full of Fight and Defiance of Premier.

Toronto, Jan. 17.—The Toronto Globe this morning, in its news column, gives prominence to the controversy between Premier Drury and Secretary Morrison of the United Farmers of Ontario. "The controversy over the position of the United Farmers of Ontario in politics has broken out afresh," Premier Drury, who has for some time favored the "broadening out" process for the party which he leads, was unusually blunt in a speech at Milton on Friday night, when he remarked: "The farmers cannot and ought not to rule the country. To do so would be a sort of tyranny. We are in a minority, and we must not attempt to do it, because we are a democracy."

"There is no doubt that the farmer members who meet in the legislature January 25 will support Mr. Drury to the hilt. The great majority of the labor members are with him too. But the influence of Mr. Morrison must not be underestimated. He has much strength with the rank and file of the organized farmers throughout the province. His speech was received with cheers in Middlesex. Mr. Morrison is a master in making the farmers feel their power. His speeches arouse them to action and his organizing ability is second to none. If the fight goes further to a show down it will be an interesting battle. The western Canada farmers are in sympathy with Mr. Morrison's idea. Mr. Morrison alone is the big power to the contrary."

J. J. Morrison, the secretary of the U. F. O., addressed a meeting in Middlesex county, on Saturday, and he warmly repudiated considerable of what the Premier said.

"If Mr. Drury threw down the challenge at Milton, I am prepared to take it up," said Mr. Morrison. In a lengthy speech, full of fight and defiance, Mr. Morrison took up cause by causing certain remarks made by Mr. Drury, and disagreed with him on every one, and promised war to the bitter end on behalf of the farmers' party.

"The farmers party made Mr. Drury, and only for the moment he would speak in favor of the Premier. He would say a lonely furrow at Crown Hill. So long as the Premier sticks to the principals as head of the U. F. O., he will remain the head of the government, but no longer."

POLICE COURT

Case Heard Behind Closed Doors—The Matter of Humphrey and Police.

A case was taken up in the police court this morning behind closed doors, when William Nearn faced a charge, and Beatrice Morris, aged ten years, and Jennie Morris, aged eight years, children of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morris, of Paradise row. The older girl said that the accused called her to his house, across the yard, and asked her to run an errand for him. She said when she returned he took her in a room, but she ran home. The younger child also told of a similar incident. The accused cross-examined the witnesses. The case was postponed, and the accused remanded.

A case against Herbert Humphrey, charged with assaulting George Grayley in Brunswick street, also assaulting Policeman Thomas, was resumed, and Sergeant Scott told of arresting the accused, who, he said, was abusive while being taken to the police station. The sergeant said the accused choked him, and he told Policeman Thomas and Detective Saunders to take the man to a cell. When Thomas returned, his mouth was bleeding.

Detective Saunders said that the accused struck Thomas and also was abusive to Sergeant Scott.

The accused said that the officers were handling him roughly, and he pushed Thomas against the wall in attempting to defend himself.

William Brown, who was with the accused on the night in question, said that they went to Brunswick street, and later the police arrested the accused, but he did not put up any resistance. The case was postponed.

Daniel Poote, charged with stealing a pair of trousers, valued at \$14, pleaded not guilty. Max Kishetsky, a clerk in Lampert's store, Dock street, said the accused sold trousers to him for \$1.50, and signed his name "L. J. Cohen, Salvation Army." The case was postponed.

A man named Bennett was charged with assaulting Fred Thompson in Charlotte street early on Sunday morning. The case was postponed and the accused was allowed to go on a deposit for his appearance.

A case against Max Williams, charged under the pawlbrokers' act with refusing to deliver to W. L. Wright a diamond stick pin, valued at \$1,000, when money and interest had been tendered.

TEXTILE WORKERS  
PLAN TO FIGHT  
PAY REDUCTION

Threat of Strike in New England Mills

Philadelphia District Employes to "Resist to Limit"—New England Cigar Makers Also.

Boston, Jan. 17.—Representatives of unions in many textile centres of Massachusetts and Rhode Island affiliated with the Amalgamated Textile Workers were authorized at a meeting here yesterday to report to their organizations that the Amalgamated was pledged to render all support possible, both moral and financial, to any local branch which should declare a strike as a protest against the recently announced wage reductions in New England mills.

A. J. Muste, secretary of the amalgamated, said after the meeting that if any mill in Lawrence attempted to open under the reduced scale, a strike would be declared against the mill.

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 17.—Assurance that "when the time is ripe, the United Textile Workers of America, backed by the A. F. of L., will seek restoration of the twenty-two and a half per cent. in wages stolen from us through the manipulation of the employers' was given employees of mills in this city by Vice-President Thos. F. McMahon of the U. T. W., in a statement issued after a meeting of the local branch of that organization yesterday. He reminded the operatives that his organization on Jan. 14 had advised mill workers not to strike as the time was "not opportune."

Philadelphia, Jan. 17.—The Philadelphia district council of textile workers, meeting here yesterday, declared "resist to the limit of their ability" any wage reductions and called upon the people of Philadelphia to support them in their struggle "for fair play and for a chance to live as citizens should live."

Most of the textile manufacturers recently announced wage reductions running from ten to twenty per cent. and told the men they could either submit to them or be thrown out of work by the closing of the plants.

Cigar Makers Also.

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 17.—Formation of a defensive league to fight any attempt at wage reduction was started at a meeting of eighty-seven delegates representing every cigar maker's union in New England here yesterday. It was said by officials that the wages of cigar makers have increased only 45 per cent. since 1906 and that the average pay for a worker in this trade in England is now \$25 a week.

IN IRELAND

Dublin, Jan. 17.—Troops yesterday occupied a wide area in the city of Dublin. Houses commanding the streets in the occupied district were entered and the inhabitants of the upper floors given twenty minutes in which to move their belongings. Machine guns were placed in windows and barbed wire entanglements erected. The entire area was enclosed and the inhabitants are virtually prisoners. Searchlights last night made the streets as bright as day.

SPECIAL SESSION OF  
U. S. CONGRESS ON APRIL  
14, SAYS MR. FORDNEY

Washington, Jan. 17.—The United States Congress will be called into special session April 4, according to information given members of the house ways and means committee today by Chairman Fordney on his return from Marion where he conferred with President-elect Harding.

CHANGE OF PLANS FOR YEAR  
WITH CANADIAN TEACHERS

London, Jan. 17.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The York Education committee is offering to all teachers in their employ an opportunity of exchanging positions for a year with Canadian teachers.

BRITISH DYESTUFFS ACT  
IS NOW IN FORCE

London, Jan. 17.—(Canadian Press)—The British dyestuffs act, prohibiting the importation of dyestuffs, came into force yesterday. In future importations on dyestuffs will be subject to license, with preference to products from the British dominions.

CARDINAL MAY HAVE  
AUTO DRIVE TODAY

Baltimore, Jan. 17.—Continued improvement in Cardinal Gibbons' condition was reported this morning by a member of his household who added that it was contemplated taking him for a short automobile ride today.

RESUME SHIPPING  
AT LOUISBURG PIERS

Glouce Bay, N. S., Jan. 17.—Shipping is being resumed today at the piers of the Dominion Coal Company at Louisburg which have been idle since September when the work of repairing them was commenced. Preparations have been made to ship 3,000 tons of coal a day from Louisburg.

was resumed, Mr. Wright Allan Gundry and Williams gave evidence. The case was postponed and the accused allowed to go on a deposit for his appearance. J. Starr Tait conducted the prosecution, and J. A. Barry the defence.

Six men charged with drunkenness pleaded guilty and were remanded. Two who were allowed out on a deposit failed to appear.

Thirteen protectionists were taken in over the week-end and allowed to go this morning.