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German Government May Be Forced To Go To the Country

BRITISH ELECTION IN DECEMBER?

LONDON AGREEMENT MAY BE ISSUE IN GERMAN ELECTION

Feeling Grows That Reichstag May Now Have to be Dissolved.

LACK MAJORITY

Two-thirds Vote Needed—France Believes Elections Will Endorse Dawes

BY FREDERICK KUH.

(United Press Staff Cor.) Berlin, Aug. 28.—A wave of pessimism swept Government circles today as the Reichstag resumed its voting on the accords of the Pact of London, designed to effect a definite program for paying reparations.

Leaders were fearful lest three majority bills—those on banking, industrial obligations and the important railroad measure which passed the second reading yesterday—might not be able to command the necessary two-thirds vote required for passage on the third reading.

The Government is now said to be convinced that dissolution of the Reichstag is unavoidable and a new election inevitable, with the Pact of London the sole issue.

Every precaution was taken today to guard against a repetition of yesterday's scenes in the Reichstag, when pandemonium broke loose several times, necessitating police being called for the first time in the history of the Parliament, to remove obstreperous members.

France is Confident. Paris, Aug. 28.—(United Press)—Government circles are resigned to the German Reichstag's refusal to ratify the Pact of London, but believe negotiations will return a majority overwhelmingly in favor of the executing of the Dawes reparations program.

Members of the Reparations Commission have already discounted the Reichstag setback because the present Parliament was elected on the issue of French occupation of the Ruhr, whereas the next election will be purely on the Pact of London.

The action of the Reichstag, if ratification is refused, will delay execution of the reparations program perhaps a month, but will not interfere seriously in the ultimate course to be pursued.

Will Sign Pact. London, Aug. 28.—(United Press)—Arrangements have been completed for the formal signing of the protocols comprising the Pact of London at noon Saturday. Whether or not the German Reichstag ratifies the agreement, Chancellor Marx has already announced that the German Government will sign the Pact, and the ceremony will take place with the ambassadors of the various interested parties for their Governments.

United States Ambassadors Kellogg and Colonel Logan will be present and witness the signing of the document, but will not affix their names to the Pact.

Outlook Is Worse. Paris, Aug. 28.—The outlook for ratification by Germany, of the Dawes plan, agreement, became worse today, according to latest news from the German capital. The Reichstag probably will vote on the pact late tonight.

Successful Trial Of The Big Dirigible. Friedrichshafen, Germany, Aug. 28.—The giant dirigible, Z. R. 8, which was built here for the United States and which is soon to start her trans-Atlantic flight to Lakeland, N. J., yesterday made her first flight successfully yesterday sailing for two hours and twenty minutes above the vicinity of Lake Constance, and returning to her base at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Youth Attempts to Poison His Parents

Edinburgh, Scotland, Aug. 28.—(United News)—A boyish love for the mysteries of chemistry and hatred of the parents, led a young man to murder his mother and attempt to poison his father, by King William. William is standing trial here for the crime, and the prosecution is seeking to prove that parental insistence that he adopt the profession of an accountant which had made his father wealthy even influenced the boy that he sprinkled arsenic in his parents' food.

"TOUCHING WOOD," SAID THE PRINCE

Another Day of Sport on The Berengaria—Lost Three Events.

On Board the Berengaria, Aug. 28.—"What will the Prince of Wales spring for his fellow passengers, as a treat on the last night aboard?" This was the question concerning the feminine as they anticipated, most of them, their last evening with the heir to the British throne. He had been a good fellow, and they wanted one more play with him before he left the boat tomorrow.

After all his careful preparations, encouragement and training, the Prince's team had lost in the heraldic tug-of-war with equally matched men of Yale and Harvard. As a matter of fact, just as they would, the Britishers, mostly members of the Prince's party, could not match the motive power of the American athletes on the polished deck. Scores of passengers looked on during the contest and today wondered if the Prince could get up another match to even up the score.

Much of the time yesterday the Prince devoted to the Berengaria's equipment. Accompanied by the captain of the ship he toured the engine room and the printing shop, and also visited the hospital room, where operating is done when necessary. When the physician in charge informed the royal visitors that an operation had been performed there two months before, the Prince rapped on a wooden door panel.

"I'm touching wood," he said. "Let's hope there will be none this trip." A Day of Sport. S. S. Berengaria, Aug. 28.—(Canadian Press)—Notwithstanding a strenuous day of sport in which he emerged from three events on the losing end, the Prince of Wales again was among the persistent dancers aboard the Berengaria last evening.

After losing in the tug-of-war and also falling in the potato race, the Prince took part in the pillow fighting, his opponent being L. E. Bull, a graduate of Harvard. They exchanged spirited blows amid great hilarity, and it looked for a time as though the Prince would emerge the winner, but Bull finally put him out. The Prince accepted his defeat smilingly, as he did in the other events. Lord Louis Mountbatten also fell in the pillow fight.

This morning His Royal Highness is holding an investiture, presenting First Officer Walter H. Poole with a reserve decoration for his long service in the British Naval Reserve.

Ottawa May See Prince in October

Ottawa, Aug. 28.—(By Canadian Press)—The official visit of the Prince of Wales to Ottawa will not materialize until October, if present plans are carried out. Inquiries at various official sources elicit no information as to His Royal Highness' plans, but it is generally understood that he intends to go straight from Montreal to Toronto on the westward journey, and to visit the seat of government on the return journey in October.

The official itinerary is not available here, but it is supposed that his visits in the United States, including his official call in Washington, will be made before he begins at New London, Conn. on Sept. 13, his journey through Canada to his ranch in Alberta.

Wire Briefs

Athens, Aug. 28.—(United Press)—A majority of the ammunition exploded this morning. There are many victims.

New York, Aug. 28.—(United Press)—Sir Charles Hyde's Gamecock shot with the Glamack Stakes race here today from a field of seven. E. W. Tate's Riders was second, with F. X. Gretton's Iceberg third.

Friedrichshafen, Germany, Aug. 28.—(United Press)—With the trial flight of the Z. R. 8, the new monster dirigible being built for the United States, pronounced a success except for one broken motor, both American and German engineers were busy making plans for installation of a new engine today.

FIVE LINERS WERE BATTERED BY THE TERRIFIC WAVES

Wind Attained at Times an Intensity of 120 Miles an Hour.

ONLY ONE LIFE LOST

Arabic Had 150 Casualties and Fifty Required Treatment.

New York, Aug. 28.—Five liners, bearing copious evidence of a winning struggle against a hurricane which on Tuesday lashed the western Atlantic into a seething cauldron, steamed into harbor yesterday several hours late, with hulls intact, but their palatial fittings smashed and battered by the force of the waves.

Only one life was taken, the steamer Elish Walker reporting that Captain J. Madison had gone overboard from the bride of the Danish steamer Nordfarer while south of Cape Hatteras. The records of half a hundred injured passengers and sailors who required the care of surgeons on the Arabic and Homeric, White Star greyniggers; scores of others who suffered minor hurts; and innumerable stories of heroism and thrilling escapes provided material for the spinning of fresh yarns in every forecastle on the Atlantic.

Capt. Hickson of the Arabic, whose vessel and passengers were the major victims, said the wind at times attained an intensity of 120 miles an hour, and Captain Melick of the Homeric asserted it was the worst within his memory.

Both said that while firemen pushed the engines to capacity to keep the vessel's bow into the wind they were stopped dead in their tracks, with cross waves pounding at their sides. The Arabic on numerous occasions leaped dangerously close to the 45 degree angle which would have capsized her. She had an estimated casualty list of more than 150, with 92 persons who required treatment. Injuries ranged from fingers cut by broken port hole glass, an inch thick, crushed by the waves, to a broken back sustained by the man when he threw himself in front of a child who would otherwise have been hurled against a wall.

High tribute was paid by the passengers to the gallantry and fearlessness of the crew in restoring order after the storm.

The Monarch, from San Pedro, arrived at quarantine last night, where a tug took off Captain Benjamin J. Smith, critically injured when a large piece of wood on the crest of a wave hit him in the face.

A Franco-German Trade Agreement

Paris, Aug. 28.—The first Franco-German commercial agreement to be concluded since the war was signed yesterday. It regulates the sale of Franco-German potash to America. The potash producers of Germany and France, instead of competing, agreed to divide the sales, France supplying 37½ and Germany 62½ per cent. The agreement runs for two years, and is based on the price of \$27 per ton for the product. The Hague arbitration court is to settle any divergencies that may arise on the subject between the two countries.

Special Effort to Be Made to Bring Milk Fund Above \$500 at Week-End

The Times-Star today acknowledged further contributions of \$19 to the Free Milk Fund, thus bringing the total received to date up to \$332.50. While this is a creditable amount and speaks well for the generosity of those contributing, the amount required by the Women's Council to provide milk for the babies who otherwise would have to do without it, will total many times that amount. It is hoped that the \$500 mark may be reached before the week-end.

Those who do not make a personal subscription to the fund can help in another way by swelling the attendance at the baseball game tonight between the Yess and the team from U. S. S. Detroit on the East End diamond this evening. The admission price will be 25 cents and the total proceeds will go to the fund.

Contributions to date are as follows: Previously acknowledged \$313.50, Vale and Rotheasy married Miss Thorne 5.00, Miss Hainington and Mrs. Friend 1.00, Johnson 5.00, H. C. L. 1.00, Prince Oskazuma 1.00, Total \$332.50

House Blown Away As Family Sleeps

Brunswick, Ga., Aug. 28.—(United News)—A family of four, sleeping peacefully and unconscious of the fact that a 75-mile-an-hour gale was blowing through the city, were wakened by the noise of their house being lifted bodily from its foundations and things smashed and battered by the wind. They were awakened by the movement of their dwelling, though declared but before they had time to become alarmed, the house was down on a neighbor's lot. None of the four suffered any injury.

AMERICAN FLIERS STILL DETAINED

They Expect to Hop Off For Indian Harbor, Labrador, Tomorrow.

On Board S. S. Cruiser Richmond, Ice Tickle, Labrador, Aug. 28.—Further postponement of one day in the world fliers from Iqviat, Greenland, to Indian Harbor, Labrador, has been ordered because of a storm which is reported moving north. Rear Admiral Thomas P. Magruder notified the vessels of the naval patrol that the flight was progressing favorably, although hampered somewhat by the rain Monday. The work, the message stated, probably will be completed by late afternoon and the aviators were planning to hop off for Indian Harbor Friday.

A further message stated that the fliers expect to hop off from Indian Harbor the day after their arrival there. Present plans call for the fliers to arrive at Ice Tickle Harbor, a wide, circular cove. During the flight the Richmond will be stationed 25 miles out from the harbor. At a conference aboard ship last night assignment of the ships for the arrival of the fliers and take up a position just off Halifax. After the fliers leave here the Richmond will go direct to Boston.

CANADA'S EXPORTS SHOW INCREASE

Purchases in British Empire Countries on the Decrease. Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Canadian exports to all parts of the British Empire totalled \$468,147,000 during the twelve months ended July, an increase of \$10,000,000 over the previous year. Canadian purchases in British Empire countries during the same period were \$191,681,000, a decrease of \$4,000,000. The exports to the United Kingdom alone were \$383,989,000 in the twelve months ending July, a decrease of \$2,000,000 from the year before. Imports from the United Kingdom were \$160,824,000, a decrease of \$3,000,000.

DID NOT ENDORSE THE KU KLUX KLAN

Pilot Confirms Henry Ford's Reputation of Alleged Interview in Montreal.

Ottawa, Aug. 28.—Henry Ford's denial that he made a statement to a representative of a Canadian paper in support of the Ku Klux Klan yesterday substantiated by a river pilot aboard Ford's yacht at the time of the interview. The pilot, Captain George P. Fleming of Opechee, said he stood at the rail where he distinctly heard what was said between Ford and the reporter.

Ferguson Succeeds Admiral Jellicoe

London, Aug. 28.—(Canadian Press Cable)—General Sir Charles Ferguson, who was in command of the British Fifth Division, and subsequently of the 2nd and 17th Army Corps during the Great War, will succeed Viscount Jellicoe as Admiral General of New Zealand. Admiral Jellicoe's term expires shortly.

OTTAWA EXPECTS A CONFERENCE ON ARMS LIMITATIONS

Believe It Will Follow Assembly of the League of Nations.

BRITAIN APPROVES

The Baldwin Proposal for Amendment of Article 16 Will be Considered.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Discussions at the forthcoming fifth assembly of the League of Nations, which opens at Geneva on Sept. 1, will be followed here with unusual interest, particularly in their bearing on disarmament. There is a strong feeling in official circles that another international conference to review limitation of armaments is a probable development of the discussions.

When the draft treaty for mutual assistance was under consideration between Great Britain and the dominions, correspondence, it is understood, indicated that the British government would welcome such a conference. At the last Imperial conference, in fact, Mr. Baldwin, then premier of Great Britain, intimated the willingness of the British government to participate in an international conference to limit aircraft construction such as the Washington conference had limited capital ships, and the present Labor government of Great Britain is understood to be, if possible, even more desirous of some international agreement to extend the scope of the Washington treaties.

Disarmament first comes before the assembly on a report from its temporary committee. Subsequently, a proposal submitted by the Baldwin government of Great Britain in July, 1923, will be considered. This came before the fourth assembly of the league last year but was referred to the fifth. It embodies another proposal which aims to prevent war and would amend article 16 of the league covenant so as to provide that:

"Should any member of the league resort to war in disregard of its covenants under articles 12, 13 or 15, it shall ipso facto be deemed to have committed an act of war against all members of the league which hereby undertake immediately to subject it to the severance of all trade relations and all financial intercourse, even if not breaking state, at least between persons resident within the territory of the covenant-breaking state, and to prevent all financial, commercial or personal intercourse, even if not between the nationals of the covenant-breaking state and the nationals of any other state whether a member of the league or not, at least in the territory of that state whether a member of the league or not."

His proposal seeks to amend article 16—which prohibits intercourse with a state declaring war in violation of its covenants—as in was amended by the second assembly of the league.

News despatches from Geneva indicating that the draft treaty of mutual assistance is to be withdrawn were rather expected here. The treaty of mutual assistance was merely circulated among members of the league and their opinion thereon was sought. The present Macdonald government of Great Britain strongly opposed it and in the British view the dominions concurred. The view taken by Premier Macdonald was that the treaty of mutual assistance might lead to an increase rather than a decrease in armaments.

Thief Caught in Ice Box Shivering As He Feasts on Roast Squab

New York, Aug. 28.—Roast chickens and duck that Harry Greenberg, owner of the Rumanian Casino, used to put in the ice box for the convenience of patrons had an unfortunate habit of disappearing in the night, and Harry several days ago decided to put roast squab there instead. The squab, however, disappeared as mysteriously as had the chickens and duck.

SEPT. 8 MAY BE THE DAY OF SENTENCE

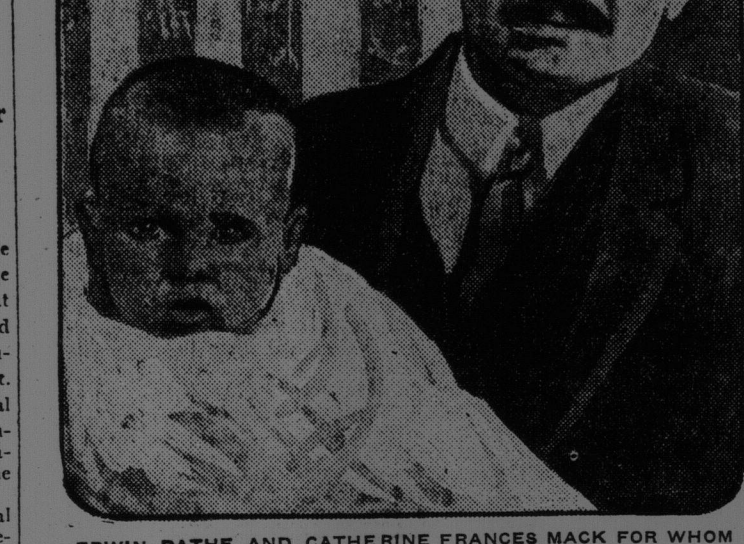
Meantime Another Capital Charge is Made Against Loeb and Leopold.

Chicago, Aug. 28.—Nathan Leopold, Jr. and Richard Loeb today faced another capital charge, when the judicial hearing to determine whether death or imprisonment is to be their fate for murdering Robert Franks, was finished. Their arraignment on an indictment charging them with the kidnapping of their victim—punishable by death under Illinois laws—was scheduled to come when Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney, ended his final argument and Judge Caverly took the murder case under advisement. The formality was expected to take only a few minutes. Judge Caverly has indicated he will take all of the next week to consider his decision in the murder case. With Mrs. Caverly he intends to leave for Atlantic City, N. J., and in seclusion there weigh carefully the facts and theories brought out in the evidence and argument of the state and defense. Monday, Sept. 8, he has indicated, will most likely be the day of sentence.

Chicago, Aug. 28.—(By Canadian Press)—More than 10,000 persons were released from employment by 5,727 firms making returns to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at the beginning of August. The firms making returns employed 778,759 workers as compared with 786,978 at the beginning of July. The employment situation, while not so good as on August 1, 1923, continues better than in 1921 or 1922.

Mother Sells Baby to Student for \$50

Brooklyn, N. Y., Aug. 28.—Forced by adversity, which has been increasing since the death of her husband several months ago, Mrs. Agnes Mack decided to sell her 10-month-old baby. Erwin Dathé, 33, medical student, whose wife is abroad, decided to buy it. A bill of sale was drawn, a payment of \$50 was made, and the baby changed hands. But there was some dissatisfaction about the price. The mother demanded \$200 more, according to charges made by Dathé. Soon the matter reached the ears of the authorities. They jailed both buyer and seller; and now have to look up the law to find out what disposition to make of the child.



ERWIN DATHE AND CATHERINE FRANCES MACK FOR WHOM HE PAID \$50

MACDONALD MAY GO TO THE COUNTRY IN EARLY DECEMBER

All Agents of Labor Party Warned to Prepare for the Struggle. PARTY DIFFERENCES A Rumor That Protection May Figure in Contest Once More.

BY H. N. MOORE (British United Press.) London, Aug. 28.—All agents of the Labor Party throughout Britain have been warned to prepare for a general election early next December. The chief factors which are inducing the Government to appeal to the country are the open differences between Phillip Snowden and Ramsay MacDonald over the Russian agreement, the growing assertiveness of the Communists, the attitude of the Trade Unions towards the Dawes plan, and the possibility that a special committee on trade which is investigating foreign competition will again raise the "protection issue."

CHARLES B. GRAY WAS DISCHARGED

He and Two Other Liquor Inspectors Gave Evidence—Other Cases.

Campbellton, N. B., Aug. 28.—(Special to Times-Star)—The adjourned hearing in the case of the King on the information of Abram Dugas vs. Chas. B. Gray was continued at this morning's session of the Hestigouic circuit court. Two witnesses were called this morning for the prosecution, after which the Crown closed its case. Colin MacKenzie, counsel for the defendant, moved for the discharge of the prisoner, which was not allowed. The defence called three witnesses, all of them liquor inspectors, the accused being among them. At the close of the case for the defence his honor Chief Justice McKeown withdrew the case from the jury and discharged the accused. The charge against the accused was that he did shoot at Abram Dugas with intent to do grievous bodily harm, and, on the second count, for wilfully damaging property at night to the value of over \$250.

Weather Report

Synopsis—The storm which was in Newfoundland yesterday has passed to the Atlantic.

The weather is fine in all parts of the Dominion excepting the northern part of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Forecasts: Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fresh northwest winds, fine and moderately warm today and Friday.

Fine and Cooler. Maritime—Fresh northwesterly winds fine and a little cooler today and Friday.

Northern New England—Fair to night and Friday; cooler tonight, moderate northwest and north winds.

Toronto, Aug. 28.—Temperatures: Highest during the day, lowest during the night.

Table with 3 columns: Station, Highest during the day, Lowest during the night. Includes Victoria, Calgary, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, St. John, Halifax, New York.