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ONE-DAY FRENCH MINISTRY PROPOSED

NEW FINANCE MINISTER NAMED TO HEAD BODY
Will Vote Bill Covering Currency Circulation Arrangements
BRIAND HAS TASK
Asked to Form Cabinet, Pleads With President For More Time

CANADIAN PRESS CALIF.
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SOCIALISTS ADAMANT.
The socialists held the key to the situation and they do not appear inclined to help out in any combination other than another Herriot cabinet.

AT NOON THE impression in parliamentary circles was that M. Briand would finally decline an offer of the premiership, and that M. Painleve, president of the Chamber of Deputies, or Senator Rene Renauld, would be called upon to try to unravel the political tangle.

PAINLEVE'S POSITION.
M. Painleve thus far has refused absolutely to undertake the task, but it is expected that President Doumergue, if M. Briand refuses the commission, will put the question to the leaders of the left bloc in a way to make them understand that if they do not want to accept the responsibility of forming a new government, the government will be formed.

The predictions in the chamber lobby are that any new government formed by a coalition would be short lived and that M. Briand would resign in a short time he asked to form a concentration government.

U.M.W. President, at Sydney, Approves Halifax Conference on Mine Strike

SOMBRE SHADES ROLE IN EASTER PARADE
Fifth Avenue Filled To Overflowing For Annual Show
FAVOR FUR TRIM
Lady in Black Satin Pyjamas, Covered by Coat, Carries Long Staff

NEW YORK, April 13.—New York went through its annual spring parade yesterday. The Easter crowd, the largest in years, literally filled Fifth avenue, which could not hold all of the day's gay promenade. The overflow thronged Coney Island, a dozen miles away, promencing in two endless lines along the newly finished boardwalk.

AT CONEY TOO.
The Coney parade was not a whit less brilliant than the more exclusive Fifth avenue pageant. It was a bit more so, in fact, with the colors of the girls and women's clothes a shade more pronounced, the skirts quite a bit shorter, and the apparel of the young men just a shade more "stylish."

PROBABLY THE day's greatest surprise in a fashion way of speaking, was the absence on Fifth avenue of the extremely short skirt that the modistes here had been predicting. All of the skirts (with rare exception), extended some inches below the knees.

MUCH BLACK WORN.
Another conspicuous feature of the color of dress fashions. There was an unusual amount of black, relieved, usually, by small splashes of red, blue, and green. Many black satin coats, the lower edges trimmed in fur, were worn.

ONE IN PYJAMAS.
Many of the women who discarded their coats for the pleasantly warm promenade were seen to be wearing short bouquets of orchids, sweet peas and pansies. Few overcoats or top coats were worn by the male promenaders.

WHAT PARIS WORE.
PARIS, April 13.—Two little monies in the left eyes of two tall athletic young women, strolled up and down the lawn of the Audin park, Sunday detatched much attention from the running of the Prix d'Inde.

Falls 10,000 Feet, Is Unhurt

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Jumping from his army plane at 10,000 feet altitude when his motor went dead, Lieut. J. T. Johnson landed brusely but safe in an apple tree near Eaglesham, Pa., his fall broken by a parachute, he reported to the War Department today.

URGES CONFERENCE ON UNEMPLOYMENT
I. H. Thomas Says Socialism Is Remedy But Would Hesitate to Adopt It

TRURO, England, April 13.—J. H. Thomas, former Secretary for the Cones, in a speech here yesterday, advocated a world conference of the leaders in all industries, the largest employers and representatives of the trades unions in an effort to solve the unemployment problem. He believed the greatest conception of a remedy for existing conditions was socialism, but if he had the power to put socialism into operation by his own vote, he declared he would refuse to do so because the majority of the people did not believe in it.

BOY RESCUED FROM RIVER AT CAPTAIN
In Danger of Being Carried Away on Raft, Was Saved by Police

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES-STAR.
FREDERICTON, N. B., April 13.—Police were called on Sunday evening to rescue a young boy named McLaughlin from a catamaran on the river.

1,500 MEN AFFECTED
General Strike in West Virginia Coal Fields to Be Called This Week

WHEELING, W. Va., April 13.—A call for a general strike of coal miners employed in four counties in the West Virginia Panhandle will be issued this week. Frank Ludwigs, president of the Ohio Miners' Organization, announced last night. He predicted the call would affect more than 1,500 men.

92, But Weds on Sight

Nathan Levitt, 92, of Cleveland may be getting a little gray-haired but he's a fast worker when cupid beckons. He introduced himself to Mrs. Lillian Choras, 82, when she walked into a grocery store where he was buying food. One hour later they took out a license and within 12 hours they were married. "I know a good woman when I see one and she's it," said Levitt. It is his sixth matrimonial venture.

Police Suspect Poison Plot In Mysterious Deaths of Five of Family Within Six Years
CHICAGO, April 13.—The coroners of Cook County, Illinois, and Porter County, Indiana, prepared today to exhum the bodies of five members of the David Cunningham family to examine them for traces of poison.

DOUKOBORS REFUSE TO PAY \$100 FINES
Goods Are Being Seized—War on Over Question of School Attendance

VICTORIA, April 13.—It is a clean up fight between the Doukhobors and the government, which is out to enforce the law, Attorney General Manson announced when word reached here that the police had started raiding operations.

PLAN LONG FLIGHT
U. S. Naval Seaplanes Will Attempt Non-stop Trip to Hawaii

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Naval seaplanes of a newly developed long distance scouting type, will be tested by the Navy Department this summer in a non-stop flight from California to Hawaii. Naval surface craft probably will be stationed over the more than 2,000 mile space of water to serve as protection. Arrangements indicate that it will be undertaken in June or July.

COUPLE FOUND DEAD
Wife Believed to Have Killed Husband and Then Succeeded

LEWIS LAUDS ACTION OF HON. E. H. ARMSTRONG

SAYS PREMIER'S MOVE IS LOGICAL AND CONSTRUCTIVE
MEET TOMORROW
Relief Committee Acknowledges Contributions From Saint John and Other Places

By Canadian Press.
SYDNEY, April 13.—John L. Lewis, international president of the United Mine Workers of America, today gave out the following statement: "In view of the action of Premier Armstrong in convening a conference at Halifax, Tuesday, I have decided to withhold public comment upon the issues at stake in the mining industry until the conference is concluded."

PREPARE FOR MEETING.
HALIFAX, April 13.—The stage was being set here today for the conference tomorrow called by Premier E. H. Armstrong in another effort to bring about the settlement of the wage dispute between the British Empire Steel Corporation and its 12,000 miners.

25TH ANNIVERSARY
Provincial Chapter I. O. D. E. to Celebrate Occasion at Fredericton Meeting.

ENGLISH TEAM WINS
Defeats France in International Rugby Game; Holds Third Place.

COLUMBES STADIUM, Paris, April 13.—England defeated France, 13 to 11, in today's final international Rugby fixture of the season. England thus finishes third in the international standing to Scotland and Ireland, and France last. At half time the score was 13 to 5, but in the second period France held the Englishmen scoresless and piled up six points of their own.

Table with columns: Place, Highest during 8 a. m. Yesterday night, Lowest. Rows include Victoria, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Saint John, Halifax, New York.

Ask That Wholesale Killer Be Subjected to Parents' Quiz
HANOVER, Germany, April 13.—Relatives of the victims of Fritz Haarmann, the "wholesale murderer," who was convicted in December of having slain 26 persons, and was sentenced to death, have demanded of the state's attorney that Haarmann be confronted with a deputation of parents who desire to obtain from him authentic information regarding the fate of their children. The state's attorney also had been requested to produce a lengthy confession which Haarmann is alleged to have made recently.