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GREAT BRITAIN OUTLINES CONDITIONS OF PALESTINE MANDATE

CENTRAL COLLEGIATE, SCHOOL IN SOUTH LONDON AND SITE IN EAST, COMMITTEE'S PLAN

Stormy Morning Session of No. 3 Committee of Board of Education—Trustee Edwin Smith Threatens To Tie Up Whole Question For a Year.

Another attempt to reach a compromise on the matter of providing high school accommodation in the city was made this morning by No. 3 committee to whom it had been referred back by the board of education at its regular meeting on Tuesday last, after failure to reach a definite plan of action, resulted when Trustee Ed. Smith repudiated his acceptance of the compromise agreement unanimously apodted at the previous meeting of No. 3 committee.

Following some discussion, during which Trustee Smith demanded that he be put on record as "approving the erection of 16 teaching rooms on the old central site, but absolutely opposed to the building of a school in South or East London this year," Trustee T. Coleridge moved, seconded by Trustee H. Hayman:

"That one school of 16 rooms be built immediately on the old site, and one school of ten rooms in South London, and that a site be purchased in East London on which a school may be built. This motion to be in substitution of the motion of the board passed on December 19, 1920, as recorded on Page 211, of the minutes of the board of education."

The motion was approved by a vote of three to two, as follows: Yeas—Coleridge, Hayman and Langford. Nays—Smith and Clarke.

Opening the discussion, Trustee Smith claimed that this year's board had decided upon a definite policy of a 16-room school on the old site, and asserted that he could not see how the action of last year's board affected the issue.

Trustee Coleridge, chairman of the board of education, replied that until the policy and action taken by last year's board as set forth in the minutes of December 10, 1920, has been rescinded, it is part of the policy and program of the board. "Until this action has been rescinded, as chairman of the board, I must rule out of order any motion which provides for the construction of one 10-roomed school," he stated.

Trustee Clarke retorted "but the board has approved the erection of the 16-room school."

Trustee Langford—"And so it has of the 10-roomed school in South London and the purchase of a site in East London."

Makes Threat.

"If you put up that motion we'll vote it down," declared Trustee Smith, "and that will tie things up for a year."

"If the board does not rescind the motion it still remains the active policy of the board," replied Trustee Langford.

"Well, I want to be honest with you, gentlemen, I shall vote for the erection of the central school at once, and for one leaving over till next year of the building of any other school," declared Trustee Smith.

Trustee Langford replied: "There are not sufficient supporters of such a plan on the board to rescind the motion of December 10, 1920, and you cannot stop it being part of the policy and program of the board."

Referring to his agreement to the compromise recommended by the committee to the board, when it was discussed in committee, and his repudiation of it at the board meeting, Trustee Smith asserted that the compromise agreement for an 8-roomed school in South London until the motion of December 10, was eliminated, meant that the board would be pledged to an 18-roomed school in South London.

"You went to the people on the question," said Trustee Langford, "and put up more than a full slate of candidates, but you only succeeded in getting four elected, yet you claim to have had the indorsement of the ratepayers to your proposal."

Some discussion took place relative to the continued use of the old Princess avenue school, and after pointing out that the building has been condemned by the department of education as insanitary and unfit for school purposes, Trustee Coleridge remarked that if the supporters of the central school were honest in their claim that they were willing to agree to the unit system being developed later, and in their belief that the continued use of the condemned school was justified, then they should give their attention to the south and east immediately.

Answering a question by Mr. Smith as to what the unit system meant, Trustee Langford replied that it meant three schools of equal standing.

"We have given way on this question," remarked Trustee Hayman, "and have agreed to the erection of a 16-roomed central school in a desire to meet the wish of the citizens for immediate action, but all our efforts have been balked by the uncompromising attitude of the central school supporters."

"Then, we cannot go ahead with the one school only until that motion of December 10, 1920, is rescinded," remarked Trustee Smith

"That is so," replied Mr. Coleridge, "don't make any more mistakes."

During the discussion it was pointed out that the effect of the motion presented by Trustee Hayman would be, if adopted, to automatically rescind the motion of December 10, 1920.

Trustee Smith withdrew his announced intention of moving an amendment to Trustee Hayman's motion, and the motion was put to the vote, and declared carried by a vote of three to two by Trustee Langford, chairman of the committee.

Immediately following the vote Trustee Coleridge, as chairman of the board, announced that there would be a special meeting of the board on Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock to deal with the matter. It is also likely that the notice of motion to rescind the action of the board on December 10, 1920, presented by Trustee Mrs. Hunt, at the last meeting, will be dealt with.

MOTHERS' CLUBS NOT ANXIOUS TO KEEP TAB ON THE CITY COUNCIL

Report Referred to the Local Council of Women.

AND NOT CITY "DADS"

Many of Whom Would Welcome Pretty Faces at the Council Gatherings.

Mothers' Clubs have not constituted themselves official guardians of the city council and other governing bodies in the city, Mrs. John Gemmell, president of the Union Mothers' Club, announced today. The report to this effect was due to a confusion of the term "Local Council." The mothers' club official who gave the information to the press never imagined that this term could be applied to any other body than the "Local Council of Women," as the shorter term is generally used by women's organizations when referring to the central body.

The reporter on the other hand, being a man with only a hazy notion of women's activities, took the term to mean "Local (City) Council." Considerable consternation resulted from this misinterpretaton, members of the clubs fearing that it would give the governing bodies the impression that the clubs intended to interfere unwarrantedly with city business.

Quite to the contrary aldermen and others who expressed any opinion on the matter approved the idea as a good one. The council and other meetings are open to the public. Many private citizens watch the proceedings and some organizations in the city have permanent representatives for that purpose. Far from causing any trouble this averts many misunderstandings.

Some of the designs for new city offices provide for a second gallery to accommodate just such onlookers at council meetings.

BRITAIN NEGOTIATING TO LIQUIDATE DEBTS OWING TO U. S. GOVT.

Lord Chalmers Will Make a Visit to America to Discuss Payments.

London, Feb. 4.—Negotiations relative to an adjustment of Great Britain's debt to the United States are in the hands of Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador in Washington, and the proposed trip to the United States of Lord Chalmers, permanent secretary of the treasury, was merely to facilitate the conversations. This was the explanation given here yesterday for the postponement of Lord Chalmers' visit to the United States during the absence of Ambassador Geddes. It was declared illogical to suppose that he was in a position to offer any proposals relative to the negotiations, since the government had deemed it desirable for him to remain here until the return of Sir Auckland to Washington.

"Under the Liberty Loan enactments," the Associated Press was told, "the American treasury was empowered to float loans and to make advances to the Allies. Negotiations have been going on with the United States Government ever since the armistice, but have been pigeon-holed for some time because of the urgency of other matters, such as reparations and domestic finances with which the treasury has been busy. The fact that negotiations have been going on apparently was the basis of reports that Lord Chalmers would go to the United States and propose the conversion of the British debt to the United States into 5 per cent bonds, maturing in 1938 and 1947. The delegation of Lord Chalmers to go to the United States, however, may be taken as an indication of the British desire to wind up affairs."

Robbers Beware! Bank Clerks Are Going To Shoot

Special Instruction in Marksmanship for London Cash Handlers.

So that through proficiency in revolver shooting they might ably defend themselves from robbers or hold-up men, bank clerks and messengers in this city will be given special instruction in the use of revolvers. On Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday of each week, for one month, the employees will be given lessons in marksmanship in the local Armories by a sergeant-major of the permanent militia. The first instruction will be given on Tuesday afternoon of next week.

The course has been made possible through the kindness of Gen. Panet. He has granted the clerks the free use of the Armories, and he will appoint a non-commissioned officer to give instruction. The clerks will supply their own revolvers and ammunition, but they will be given the instruction free of charge. The course will not be compulsory.

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THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—RAIN OR SNOW.

Toronto, Feb. 4—8 a.m.

Forecasts.

Fresh winds; cloudy; snow or rain tonight and on Saturday.

Temperatures.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	40	34	Fair
Calgary	40	8	Clear
Winnipeg	10	8	Cloudy
Port Arthur	14	6	Cloudy
Sault Ste. Marie	20	4	Snow
Parry Sound	28	2	Cloudy
Toronto	34	18	Cloudy
Kingston	34	31	Fair
Ottawa	36	2	Fair
Montreal	30	12	Clear
Quebec	22	16	Cloudy
Halifax	30	12	Clear
St. John	28	16	Clear

Weather Notes.

A severe storm covers Newfoundland, while pressure is also low in the Southwest, West and Northwest States.

Light snowfalls have occurred in many localities from Alberta to the Maritime Provinces.

The weather is quite cold in the Western Provinces and in Northern Ontario.

NOT VERY INVITING

—Rocky Mountain News.

WARD ONE VOTERS SPOILED OVER 30 BALLOTS IN LAST ELECTION

Citizens Insisted on Voting for Four Aldermen Instead of Three—Worst Number of Mistakes in Years, Contends City Clerk Samuel Baker.

Either through ignorance or maliciousness more ballots were spoiled in Ward One during the last municipal election than in the whole city in previous years, City Clerk Baker declared today. He has almost completed an examination of all the ballots cast in Wards One and Two, and will proceed with the remaining two wards immediately.

In Ward One, more than thirty ballots were found on which four votes had been marked for aldermen, whereas only three or less should have been cast. In every case it was the same four names marked. This occurred in practically every subdivision of the ward.

Mr. Baker considers that this widespread mistake was due to a campaign carried on for the election of the four candidates in question. Through ignorance, electors may have been urged to vote for all four men. On the other hand, it is possible that parties wishing to injure the chances of the four men maliciously misled the voters.

That the condition is not due to general ignorance of the election law is indicated by the fact that there were only one or two instances in which more than the proper number of votes were cast for school trustees. There were no ballots bearing more or less complimentary remarks about the candidates, as is sometimes the case.

A similar condition existed to a less extent in Ward Two, where ballots were spoiled because four candidates were marked. In no instance would the result of the election have been changed if the ballots had been accepted.

The recount yielded Gordon McNeil Cooper, candidate for school trustee, seventeen more votes than was published because of an error in addition, but he lost four votes in another subdivision, so that his total gain was only thirteen votes. Trustee Langford, who only defeated him by a few votes, neither gained or lost in the recount in Wards One and Two.

BRITAIN ADVISES RUMANIA TO SEEK PEACE WITH REDS

Moscow Dispatch Says Soviet Government Asked to Send Delegates.

London, Feb. 4.—Rumania has been advised by the British Government to enter peace negotiations with Soviet Russia, says a wireless dispatch received here from Moscow today. Great Britain, the dispatch adds, has offered its services as a mediator. It is asserted Rumania has requested the Soviet Government to send delegates to Riga to draw up a program for the forthcoming peace negotiations.

Declines to Fight a Duel

Paris, Feb. 4.—Leon Daudet, prominent royalist, has declined the challenge of Paul De Cassagnac for a duel. Daudet dismisses the challenge as a serio-comic proposal, and says that he has already fought eleven duels. The affair arose from an incident in the chamber where De Cassaganac, a Bonapartist, had an altercation with Daudet concerning was services.

MURDER TRIAL POSTPONED.

Dublin, Feb. 4.—The third murder trial arising out of the assassination of court-martial officers in Dublin last November, set for today, was postponed to an unannounced date. It was stated that the postponement was in consequence of an attempt to assassinate an important witness for the prosecution. This witness, whose name was not given, was wounded in the attack upon him.

Men Students Learn Cooking

State College, Pa., Feb. 4.—Twenty students, garbed in aprons supplied by the girl domestic art students started work today in the Pennsylvania State College kitchen laboratories heretofore occupied exclusively by women. They are enrolled in the special cookery class for men, a new course which is being given by the home economics department. The course is aimed particularly toward the selection and preparation of foods for camping parties.

RUM RUNNING IN NIAGARA DISTRICT

Many Farmers Alleged To Be in League With Bootleggers.

St. Catharines, Feb. 4.—Below the whirlpool in the Niagara river there is said to have been considerable rum running in small boats from the Canadian to the American side the open season permitting this class of navigation. Yesterday, License Inspector King of this city, paid a visit to Niagara Township and as a result four rather prominent residents of the township will be summoned to appear on charges of violation of the O. T. A. The inspector it is alleged, had reason to believe that the farmers were in league with Americans who smuggled liquor across the river to the New York state side.

One Canadian, who some time ago took a boatload of liquor across the river, on landing on the American side was obliged to yield up his cargo to an official looking person who covered him with a gun and "confiscated" the load. It later developed that the confiscation was nothing more than a hold-up by a bandit-bootlegger not in the ring with which the Canadian was co-operating.

CARSON APPEALS TO IRISHMEN TO CEASE SHEDDING OF BLOOD

Belfast, Feb. 4.—Sir Edward Carson, the Ulster leader, in a speech here last night to his constituents, said that what was going on in south and west Ireland made a man ashamed of being an Irishman. He appealed to those "at the back of this horrible drama" to call a halt and confer with the Government.

Sir Edward added that if the Government of Ireland bill had not given Ulster an absolute victory it was a declaration that Ulster's past services and her loyalty and progress was such that no government was entitled to take away her independence and place her under a government which she would detest and abhor. The speaker concluded by saying that while he could not accept the Ulster leadership he had undertaken to hold the fort at Westminster and help to bring about a closer union with Great Britain than ever before.

The Unionist council is meeting in Belfast today. Sir James Craig probably will be elected leader of the Unionist forces in the new parliament.

L. AND P. S. FIGURES CAUSE WARM DEBATE AT THE HYDRO PROBE

Plain Statements of Dr. R. W. Shaw Not Relished

BY RADIAL COUNSEL

Some $700,000 Asked for in First Place—Bond Issue Now $1,406,000.

Evidence on the financial condition of the London and Port Stanley Railway submitted at the hydro-radial probe at Toronto Thursday by Dr. R. W. Shaw, a former member of the railway commission here, was such as to bring about a warm debate between the witness and Robert McKay, K.C., counsel for the Hydro-Electric Radial Association. The figures presented by the Londoner were far from pleasing the representative of the association.

Dr. Shaw showed that with the approval of another $275,000 debenture issue in the London bill this year, the capitalization of the road for electrification purposes would be more than double what its proponents claimed it would be when they placed the plan before the people several years ago. At that time $700,000 was asked as sufficient money to carry out the scheme. With the approval of this latest bond issue the capitalization will be $1,406,000, Dr. Shaw said.

The witness also pointed out that the road has absolutely no emergency fund out of which damages could be paid if a claim against the road was upheld by the courts. There is no depreciation fund either, he declared.

Mr. McKay asked if the road was not being kept in condition. Dr. Shaw replied that it was, but by making capital expenditures and not from a depreciation fund as it should be.

The witness stated that in the fall of 1917 the railroad owed the city for rent, sinking fund and interest, the sum of $169,000. In 1918 a debenture issue of $131,000 was authorized in the London bill. The proceeds of these when they were sold were kept by the city as part payment on the sum owed it by the road, and were not turned over to the L. and P. S. R., he claimed.

On December 31, 1920, the road owed the city $141,461, for rent, sinking fund and interest. Recently $63,461 was paid off. The witness did not know where this had come from. This left a balance of $78,000 owing to the city. The compound interest on sums owed by the railroad to the city from June 30, 1920, to December 31, 1920, was $2,140, the witness said.

City Treasurer Bell said today that it was not an unusual practice for the city to keep the proceeds from debentures sold for the road if money was owing to the city at the time. "We pay the money to them, and they pay it back to us. That is all. If this next issue is approved it is likely we will keep a large part of the proceeds from it to meet accounts that are due from the railway."

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest 30, lowest 17.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest 23, lowest 6.

LORD DUNSANY IS FINED FOR HAVING CONCEALED RIFLES

Pleads Guilty When Brought Before Court-Martial.

Dublin, Feb. 4.—Lord Dunsany, poet and playwright pleaded guilty today when brought to trial by court-martial on a charge of possessing arms and ammunition. He was fined £25, with the alternative of spending three months in prison. On payment of the fine the court released him from custody. Lord Dunsany was arrested recently after a search of Dunsany Castle, in County Meath, had disclosed several shotguns and other sporting arms. It had been found that game was being shot on the Dunsany estate, and the military in consequence raided his castle and found the sporting weapons. The specific accusation against him was the keeping of firearms and ammunition not under effective military control.

SIX-YEAR SENTENCES.

Belfast, Feb. 4.—Sentences of six years' penal servitude each were imposed today upon the eight men who were arrested October 25 last, when discovered on the Kingstown mail boat, wearing Irish Volunteer uniforms, on their way to attend the funeral in London of Lord Mayor MacSwiney of Cork. The sentences, however, were made three years actually in each case, three years being remitted.

Three men who were found with revolvers at a recent dance in Kingstown were sentenced to ten years in prison, of which five years were remitted.

SINKING OF SUB STILL MYSTERY

Wreckage Gave No Clue as to Cause of Disaster.

London, Feb. 4.—Inquiry by the admiralty into the loss of the British submarine "K-5" which sank with all hands, off Land's End, a fortnight ago, has failed to clear up the mystery which surrounded the cause of the sinking, as there were no survivors and the wreckage gave no clue, but the reports originating in Dublin attributing the disaster to a new electrically controlled projectile from an Irish seacraft were ridiculed today by admiralty officials as fantastic.

"Numbers of governments would like to have a sea-fighting contrivance capable of the performances claimed for this Irish 'hushplane,'" was the comment of one admiralty official. He pointed out that the sinking had occurred more than 100 miles off the Scilly Islands.

DIES IN RESTAURANT.

Montreal, Feb. 4.—Sitting at a restaurant table yesterday with his spoon held fixed before his mouth the strange attitude of Henry Ryan attracted the attention of the waiter, who, on approaching the man, found that he was dead. Ryan was 74 years of age.

GOVERNMENT WHIPS TO HAVE BUSY TIME LINING UP MAJORITY

Small Margin of Members Is Slowly But Surely Dwindling.

LEADERS ALARMED

Meighen Administration May Find Policies Endangered At Times.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Feb. 4.—Eternal vigilance on the part of Government whips will be necessary during the coming session if the Government is to carry its policies through without danger of defeat. The Government was elected in 1917 with a majority of over 70. That majority has now dwindled to something below 30, and many of the members going to make it up are by no means regular attendants. Last session the Government narrowly escaped disaster on a more or less snap vote. Since last session there have been certain casualties in the Government ranks, which have gone still further to sap its strength.

Hon. A. K. McLean, former minister without portfolio, who gave the Government loyal support since 1917, has decided to cross back to the Liberals. Hon. N. W. Rowell, who since the same date was one of the hardest workers on the treasury benches, has left the treasury benches, and is likely to leave the House altogether. Sir Robert Borden has also become a private member, and will devote the greater part of his time to his series of lectures to be delivered at Toronto University, and the preparation of his memoirs.

Other Defections.

In addition W. A. Buchanan of Lethbridge will cross to the independent benches, and may take with him Fred Davis of Nepawa and John Campbell of Nelson.

While these latter may join neither of the existing opposition parties, they will at least be counted on the opposition, and cannot be counted on by the Government whips.

East Elgin has also sent another opponent into the ranks, in the place of a former friend of the Government, while West Peterboro may do likewise. The death of Col. Harry McLeod in York has also depleted the Government majority, as has also that of Hon. A. L. Sifton.

In addition to the above facts there is a considerable number of more or less chronic absentees, including Sir Herbert Ames, Col. Hepburn, Edmund Bristol, Sir Edward Kemp and others.

Reports from Winnipeg are to the effect that R. L. Richardson of Springfield has been seriously ill, and that George Allen of South Winnipeg will not be a constant attendant during the session.

Altogether close attention on the part of those able to attend will be necessary.

FRANCO-POLISH TRADE PACT IS BEING ARRANGED

General Pilsudski and Ministers On Visit to Paris.

Paris, Feb. 4.—Conclusion of a Franco-Polish commercial accord is one of the principal objects for the visit of the president of Poland and several members of his ministry to Paris, according to statements given out by Prince Sapieha to newspapers here. The eventuality of a military convention is also being considered, but no concrete decision has as yet been reached.

The Journal quotes Gen. Solnowski, Polish war minister, as saying on this subject: "Peace will be concluded with the Russian Bolsheviki at the earliest date possible, perhaps next week, but peace is illusive and the Bolshevik danger is permanent if we are not prepared to resist any and every attack."

President Millerand gave a banquet in honor of President Pilsudski and his colleagues at the Elysee Palace last night, Premier Briand, Marshals Foch and Petain, and Former President Poincare being present. The presidents exchanged cordial toasts.

BOARD DECIDES THAT APPLICATION OF MEN IS NOT JUSTIFIED

M. C. R. Will Not Be Forced to Provide Subway at St. Thomas.

Ottawa, Feb. 4.—Canadian Press.—Judgment was issued yesterday by Chief Commissioner S. J. McLean of the board of railway commissioners, in the application of the corporation of the city of St. Thomas, Ont., for an order directing the Michigan Central Railway Company to provide a subway or other means for its employees to cross the said company's tracks between Talbot street and the shops and roundhouse of the company in going to and from their work. The application was heard at St. Thomas before the late Commissioner Goodeve and Commissioner McLean, but a concluded opinion had not been arrived at at the time of Mr Goodeve's death. The judgment, which is concurred in by all the other members of the board, finds that on the present record the application has not been justified.

POURS BARRAGE ON WASHINGTON INQUIRY

Washington, Feb. 3.—Charles G. Dawes, former head of the United States army supply procurement service in France enlivened the hearing of the investigation committee of the House of Congress by his very outspoken manner of delivering his evidence. He frankly told the committee that their work had been rendered useless by partisan politics. Despite the presence of many women in the audience, Mr. Dawes decorated his language with numerous words not generally used in polite conversation, as he poured a verbal barrage fire on the investigation and bombarded profiteers. Incidentally he claimed for the United States the entire ownership of the recent war against Germany.

SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR MANY SECTIONS OF PALESTINE IS PROVIDED FOR IN MANDATE

Great Britain in Exercise of Control Over Holy Land Will Adopt Measures to Encourage Return of Jews to Country—Civic and Religious Rights of All Inhabitants Will Be Safeguarded—English, Arabic and Hebrew Will Be the Official Languages.

London, Feb. 4.—The British draft of the mandate for Palestine, which will be submitted to the council of the League of Nations at its next meeting in Geneva, provides in its first article that the mandatory nation (Great Britain) shall have all the powers inherent in the Government of a sovereign state, according to the text of the draft, printed by the Jewish Chronicle here today.

Among the outstanding features of the 27 articles of the mandate are stipulations that the widest measure of self-government for localities, consistent with prevailing conditions, shall be encouraged, and that the mandatory shall be responsible for maintaining such political, administrative and economic conditions as shall secure the establishment of a Jewish national home and the development of self-governmental institutions.

Assumes Responsibility.

The mandatory assumes the responsibility of seeing to it that no Palestine territory shall be ceded, leased or otherwise subjected to any foreign powers, that Jewish immigration shall be facilitated; that the civil and religious rights of all the inhabitants, irrespective of race or creed, shall be safeguarded, and that there will be no discrimination against the nationals of any states. Responsibility for taxation, commerce and navigation is vested in the mandatory. It is also provided that a land system be introduced to promote close settlement of the land and its intensive cultivation, safeguarding the interests of the community and the development of the country.

The mandatory is to be intrusted with control of the foreign relations of Palestine, and the right to issue exequaturs to consuls appointed for powers entitled to afford diplomatic and consular protection to citizens of Palestine when outside their territorial rights.

Official Languages.

All responsibility in connection with the holy places, religious buildings and their sites are assumed by Great Britain. The mandatory is to secure within a year from the time of the effectiveness of the mandate the enactment of a law of antiquities, based upon the Turkish treaty, insuring equality of treatment for nationals of all state, and members of the League of Nations, engaging in archaeological research. English, Hebrew and Arabic are to be the official languages of the country.

To Report Annually.

The Palestine administration, it is provided, may organize on a voluntary basis, the next forces for the preservation of the peace and order and defence of the country, subject to the supervision of the mandatory.

In appropriate Jewish agency, it is stipulated, shall be recognized as a public body, advisory to and co-operating with the administration in certain social and other matters, and "the Zionist organization, as it is now constituted, is so recognized.

The mandatory is to adhere to the existing conventions regarding the traffic in slaves, ammunition and drugs, and as to commercial equality and freedom of transit and communication.

Disputes under the mandate provisions not settled by negotiation are to be submitted to the permanent court of international justice established by the League of Nations.

Great Britain is to make an annual report to the League of Nations council on the measures taken during the year.

Women Scratch Police During Street Battle

Haverhill, Mass., Feb. 4.—Ten policemen were counting scratches today as a result of a battle last night with a crowd composed largely of women near the Seretnik Shoe Company factory, where a strike is in progress. Seven arrests were made. The clash followed the departure from the factory of three women who had been filling places of those who had quit. A crowd rushed the police who had kept them away from an automobile carrying the women. After a policeman had been jostled off the sidewalk, he attempted to arrest a woman in the throng. Other women tried to free her. Officers on duty in the vicinity charged the crowd and arrested six more women, who fought with their captors all the way to the police station.

The prisoners were released on bail after being charged with disturbing the peace.

LEGAL ASSOCIATION WILL SEEK CHARTER

Fewer Bills Will Come Before Parliament Than At Pre-War Sessions.

Ottawa, Feb. 4.—Canadian Press.—The number of private bills to come before parliament this session will not be as large as the number at pre-war sessions, according to present indications. This is accounted for by the fact that capital is still hard to secure for though the number of incorporations sought from parliament will be higher than last year, there are comparatively few new charters being sought.

Among the incorporations will be a charter for the Canadian Bar Association, of which Sir James Mackenzie is president. The other officers mentioned in the application for the charter are E. Fabre, K.C., Montreal, and George F. Henderson, K.C., Ottawa. The objects of the association, as outlined in the application, are to advance the science of jurisprudence, uphold the honor of the legal profession, etc., and generally advance the interests of the members of the bar throughout the Dominion.

POST SIGNS CONTRACT.

New York, Feb. 4.—Samuel G. Post, who pitched last year for a Virginia League club, has signed a contract with the Brooklyn Nationals, it was announced today. Infielder George Stretk, from the Florida State League, also signed a contract.

NEW GAS ACT TO BE URGED ON GOVERNMENT

Deputation Waits On Premier and Attorney-General.

Toronto, Feb. 4.—Premier Drury and Hon. W. E. Raney this morning received a deputation representing the Natural Gas Association, the Municipal Gas Consumers' Association, and the Sarnia Gas Company. They discussed the form and scope of legislation to solve existing natural gas difficulties. As a result of the conference it is likely that during the present session the Government will introduce a bill providing for a new natural gas act, having for its objects the conservation of the domestic use of natural gas and the encouragement of the search for new sources of supply. The bill will probably provide for the appointment of a gas referee, who will have power to review the acts of the gas commssioner. Rate fixng powers will be vested solely in the gas referee.

WILL ASK QUESTIONS.

Toronto, Feb. 4.—Capt. Ramsden will move in the Ontario Legislature for firemen's superannuation. R. R. Hall asks for all practicable speed in the T. and N. O. extensions.

Major Tolmie inquires the number of timber limits offered for sale December 1, 1919, and how sold.

H. P. Bill inquires the number of corporations or individuals carrying on lumbering operations in Ontario, the number of licensed cullers, and, if any criminal proceedings have been instituted.

J. W. Diddifield asks the amount of loans under the municipal loan fund, the number which defaulted and the loss.

Hon Beniah Bowman will introduce reforestation and development legislation.

INCREASE PAROLE BOARD.

Toronto Feb. 4.—Hon. H. C. Nixon is to introduce a bill increasing the provincial parole board from seven to nine members. In the future, parole officers will undertake parole work in connection with industrial schools. In the past this work has been almost entirely left to superintendents of the industrial schools.

GERMANS WILL OPEN PROSECUTIONS OF WAR CRIMINALS IN MARCH

Berlin, Feb. 4.—Dispatches to Berlin newspapers from Leipzig say that the preliminary investigation of the first eleven cases on the Entente's list of war criminals has been concluded, and that it has been decided to prosecute four persons. The trials probably will commence in March.

Increased Livestock Production To Overcome Meats Shortage

Ottawa, Feb. 4.—Canadian Press.—There is a world shortage of meats at the present time, and this is likely to become greater as time passes, according to P. E. Light, chief of he market intelligence division, who deals with this subject in the Agricultural Gazette. It is estimated that the world requires fifty billion pounds of meat annually, and that while the population increased by 85,000,000 (from 510,000,000 to 595,000,000) between the years 1901 to 1914, cattle, sheep and hogs combined only increased 40,000,000 (from 1,065,000,000 to 1,105,000,000).

Mr. Light points out that general economic progress, as well as the increase in human population, makes fresh demands upon available lands and tends to bring about a relative decline in the output of animal produce. The decline must be offset by an extension in live stock production sufficient to meet increased consumptive demand. Any great augmentation of population in Canada at the present time would find us in a situation where we would either be severely taxed to provide for the total domestic demand or else compelled to curtail our export trade.