

## PROHIBITION RULES IN FOREIGN PORTS

U. S. Vessels Subject to Its  
Provisions Is Ruling of  
Government Officials.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Provisions of the national prohibition act extend to United States ships, whether they be in home waters, on the high seas, or in foreign waters. Commissioner Williams of internal revenue ruled today, based on an opinion of Acting Attorney-General Grier, that the act applies to all vessels of internal revenue and federal prohibition agents for their "information and guidance."

The acting attorney-general's opinion was submitted to the secretary of the treasury Nov. 1, in response to a request from the secretary of July 19 as to whether the national prohibition act applied to it in which liquors on U.S. ships outside of home waters as well as within the three-mile limit.

Mr. Frier, in reply, said: "I think there can be no doubt as to the law applying to vessels in United States waters. Under the law," he continued, "a vessel registered under the U.S. flag is in many respects considered as a portion of the territory of the United States, and persons on board are governed by its laws."

"It follows, therefore," he declared, "that persons on board such a vessel, wherever that vessel may be, are governed by the laws of the United States, to which they would be subject if within the U.S. Indeed, the jurisdiction over them of the Federal government is much broader than when they are within the United States. In the latter case, with respect to the great bulk of the criminal laws, they are subject to the jurisdiction of the various states and not to that of the U.S. The various states, however, have no jurisdiction even of their own citizens when on the high seas. For this reason Congress may, enforce, criminal laws for the purpose of punishing offenders for offenses committed while on the high seas which it would not be within the power of Congress to make applicable to the same offense if committed within one of the states."

The acting attorney-general also held in the same opinion that the provisions of the revenue act imposing floor taxes on distilled spirits held for sale on United States ships, applied wherever the ship may be.

### Consulting With Canada

Regarding War Veterans

London, Dec. 7.—Colonel L. S. Amery, under secretary for state for the colonies, speaking in the house of commons yesterday, said that the possibility of arranging with the Canadian government and other Dominions for a wider extension to ex-service men of the privileges given their own ex-service men was certainly worth consideration, but it involved questions of cost which required careful investigation. The overseas settlement committee, he said, was in continuous consultation with the Dominions.

"We have already given free passage to men settling in Canada, but a further extension might involve an expenditure by the overseas governments which they may not be able to bear," said Col. Amery.

Col. Norton Griffiths, well-known in Canada for certain contracts carried out by his firm of builders, asked: "Will you make representations to Canada with a view to its foregoing the £200 imposed to prevent men going there and coming on the unemployment funds?"

No answer was returned to this question.

### FACES 40-YEAR TERM.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 7.—Clement Pacyna, 22 years old, was found guilty of robbery, first degree, by a jury in the county court here today. He had been identified as the leader of a band of robbers, who on October 21, held up a New York Central passenger train in the local yards and took money and jewelry from passengers. Having been previously convicted of a felony, Pacyna faces a sentence of 40 years in prison. He will be sentenced on December 17.

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## FATAL EXPLOSION IN QUEBEC TOWN

One Man Is Killed and Eight  
Injured in Factory at  
Fort Coulonge.

Fort Coulonge, Que., Dec. 7.—One man was killed and eight others injured when a small boiler used for heating water in connection with operations on the new cooperage factory here exploded, wrecking the boiler room of the building and sending flying debris and scalding water into a crowd of workmen. The explosion occurred yesterday afternoon, but, owing to the breakdown in the telephone and telegraph services due to the storm, it was impossible to communicate with the outside world until today. The factory belongs to the Sutherland-Innes Company, Limited, of Sutherland, Ontario. Two of the injured were taken to Ottawa.

The dead: William McKay, aged 30, Fort Coulonge, son of the late William McKay. Died of injuries in three hours while being attended to by Dr. Gauthier.

The injured: James McDowell, Fort Coulonge, leg fractured, cut about the head and badly scalded; in Protestant General Hospital, Ottawa. Alex. Chatterton, sen., Fort Coulonge, millwright, face cut and scalded; may lose sight of one eye; at home. John Chatterton, Fort Coulonge, leg fractured, shoulder dislocated and rib broken; in Protestant General Hospital, Ottawa.

Alex. Chatterton, jun., Fort Coulonge, slightly scalded; at home. Joseph Bellow, Fort Coulonge, side of face scalded; at home. Theophile Bertrand, Fort Coulonge, broken rib, leg injured, slightly scalded; at home. Thomas Armstrong, Shawville, Quebec, slightly scalded and suffering from shock; at home. Chamberlain Cobden, slightly scalded; at Fort Coulonge.

McKay, the man killed, was not an employee of the company, but had just dropped into the plant to visit a friend.

### FINANCE DISCUSSED.

"Municipal Finance" was the subject of the address of T. A. Bradshaw, former city treasurer, at the dinner held last evening in the Moscov Hotel by the Chartered Accountants' Students' Association of Ontario. Mr. Bradshaw elaborated a policy which had as its aim the control of expenditures so as to maintain a city's credit.

## WHY CANADA OBJECTED TO ARTICLE 10 OF PACT

Sir Robert Borden in Memorandum Explains That It Would  
Involve Territorial Survey and Contains Some  
Inconsistencies.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—In a communication handed to the press tonight, Sir Robert Borden, former prime minister, and the head of the Canadian delegation to the peace conference, explained the chief objections of Canada's delegates to article X of the peace treaty, which were set forth in a memorandum prepared by Sir Robert, in consultation with his colleagues.

Sir Robert, in his statement, summarized the chief objections in point of principle raised by the memorandum, which pointed out that article X "involves an undertaking by the high contracting parties to preserve the territorial integrity and existing political independence of all states members of the league." It is further observed that the undertaking seems to involve initially a careful survey, consideration and determination of all territorial questions between the various states, and declares that even if such a survey were practical, it would be impossible to forecast the future.

Sir Robert's statement follows: "Reference has recently been made to a memorandum prepared by me, in consultation with my colleagues, and in which observations and criticisms were made with respect to the first draft of the covenant of the League of Nations. In the first instance, the covenant was rather hastily drafted, and many of the observations were designed for the purpose of removing defects in draughtsmanship. These defects were corrected in the subsequent draft, which was finally approved. The memorandum was circulated on the 14th March, 1918, to the members of the British Empire delegation, and afterwards it was circulated to the members of the committee which was charged with the duty of preparing the covenant."

## JAP MAIL POUCH STOLEN IN TRANSIT

Letters and Packages Found  
Later in Room of New  
York Hotel.

New York, Dec. 7.—A sack of commercial mail from Japan for the British Isles by way of New York was stolen here last month while in transit from the Grand Central terminal to the foreign station of the postoffice, it was learned today. The pouch was believed to have contained no diplomatic correspondence.

Some registered letters and packages it contained were found in a downtown hotel room after a couple registered as A. Edwards and wife had occupied it, postoffice inspectors announced. A maid reported finding fragments of mail matter littered about the place, and postal officials were notified.

The date of the theft, was placed at November 13 by Inspectors Collis and Sommers, investigating the case. On that date an empty sack of the type used for international mail was found on Hudson street.

The pouch is believed to have been rifled November 25, as the couple spent that night in the hotel and the mail was found the next morning. The man and woman gave their addresses as Syracuse, N.Y.

About 200 letters and small parcels were found, some of which had not been opened. Several addressed to Japanese officials and to business men were crumpled and torn.

"The chief objection in point of principle which was raised by the memorandum related to Article X, as to which the following observations were made: 'It is an undertaking by the high contracting parties to preserve the territorial integrity and existing political independence of all states members of the league.' The signatories to the covenant are called upon to declare (a) all existing territorial delimitations are just and expedient; (b) that they will continue indefinitely to be just and expedient; (c) that the signatories will be responsible therefor."

"The undertaking seems to involve initially a careful survey, consideration and determination of all territorial questions between the various states which may be practicable. Even if such a survey were practicable it is impossible to forecast the future. There may be national aspirations to which the provisions of the peace treaty will not do justice and which cannot be permanently repressed. Subsequent articles contemplate the possibility of war between two or more of the signatories under such conditions that the other signatories are not called upon to participate actively therein. If, as a result of such war, the nation attacked occupies and proposes to annex (possibly with the consent of a majority of the population) a portion of the territory of the aggressor, what is to be the operation of this article? Indeed, the article seems inconsistent with the provisions of articles XII to XVII inclusive. Obviously a dispute as to territory is within the meaning and competence of the six articles last referred to, under which a disposition of the dispute materially different from that proposed by article X might be reached. Article XXIV does not seem to remove the difficulty."

"The view expressed in these observations did not prevail, and article X was embodied in the final text of the covenant in practically the same terms as in the original draft."

## AIRPLANE TRAVEL FOR GEOLOGISTS

Scientists Planning to Explore  
Canada's Northwest in  
Flying Machines.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—(By Canadian Press).—If plans now under consideration by the Dominion air board are matured, Canadian geologists who every summer make arduous trips to far northern regions to carry on field work, will next summer be spared much effort and saved several weeks of valuable time by being carried in airplanes.

The first attempt to utilize the flying machines for this practical purpose will be made in the MacKenzie River basin, and the flight will probably be from Peace River landing, in northern Alberta, to Fort Norman. The first man to advocate the air route for geologists was Dr. Alfred Thompson, member of the Yukon, who discussed the time-saving possibilities of this plan in the house of commons two years ago.

## DR. CHOWN RETURNS FROM THE ORIENT

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 7.—Rev. S. D. Chown, general superintendent of the Methodist Church in Canada, arrived here today from the orient on the steamer Empress of Asia. He will leave for his home in Toronto tomorrow. In Japan Dr. Chown attended the session of the world's Sunday school convention. He declared that the conference has resulted in incalculable benefits to the orient, and the whole country had been aroused to the advantages of Sunday school and religious education. There were, he said, as many as 20,000 people in the Sunday processions connected with the conference, and there were demonstrations of immense enthusiasm.

## BONUS ON THE STOCK OF LOEW'S LONDON THEATRE

Loew's London Theatre's common shareholders, it is reported, are to receive in the new merger \$20 in common stock, carrying a dividend, for each \$10 share of common stock now held. The preferred shareholders are to receive 8 per cent. instead of 7 per cent. per annum.



## Milk in Every Recipe

With the approach of winter the social season is at hand with parties of every kind.

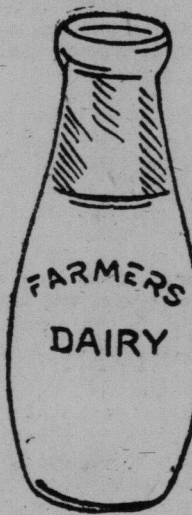
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"Plenty of coal," but of all bad words of tongue or pen the saddest are these—it's in the other fellow's bin.

BALTIMORE APARTMENT FIRE.  
Baltimore, Dec. 7.—Mount Holly Inn, apartment hotel, home of United States Senator-elect O. E. Keller, and 150 other Baltimoreans, was razed by fire which broke out at the dinner hour tonight. There was no loss of life.