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BRAZEN ACTS OF FEW PERSONS IN UNITED STATES

In Relation to the Irish Republic Called Forth Discussion in Commons Yesterday.

THINK PRESIDENT SHOULD BE TOLD

That Such Happenings Come Not With Good Grace from An Ostensibly Friendly Nation.

London, May 6.—The subject of the support given to "the Irish Republic," by some persons in the United States came up in the House of Commons today. Horatio Bottomley asked whether the Government was aware that appeals for subscriptions for bonds addressed by De Valera as "President of the Irish Republic" were still appearing in American newspapers, and were supported by the Governors of various states, and whether Great Britain proposed to make representations on the matter to President Wilson. Mr. Bonar Law, replying, in behalf of the Government, said it was understood such appeals were still appearing in certain papers but he was not in a position to say whether they were supported by any Governors. Great Britain, he added, was not prepared to make any representations.

Loan Subscription.

Mr. Bottomley asked whether Mr. Law had seen the announcement that already 2,000,000 pounds had been subscribed to this fund, and that triumphant processions had gone through the principal streets of the United States in celebration of the event; that De Valera had been entertained by State Governors. He asked if Mr. Bonar Law did not consider that in International Law this amounted to an unfriendly act, and whether new instructions would be given to the British Ambassador.

The Government leader said he had not seen a statement of the specific facts named, but it did not alter his view regarding Great Britain's right course, namely, that it was not always wise to take action to which a country had the legal right.

Put On The Brakes.

Captain Wm. E. Wedgewood Benn wanted to know whether the Government would take steps to halt the malicious campaign, which, he declared, was destroying the friendly relations between this country and the United States.

To this Mr. Bonar Law did not reply.

Robert Burton Chadwick asked whether Mr. Bonar Law was aware that "this outlaw" was recently honored with the freedom of New Orleans, and whether any representations had been made to the United States in the face of "this deliberate insult by an ostensibly friendly power."

Mr. Bonar Law answered that he was quite satisfied the good feeling of the United States was not represented at all by such demonstrations and he did not belive that any action the British Government could take against them would have any other effect than to make the relations worse.

SAW MILLS WORKING AT FREDERICTON

Three Mills There Expect to Cut 25 Million This Season.

Special to The Standard

Fredericton, N. B., May 6—The sawing season at the lumber mills located on the St. John River here has been commenced, two of the mills being now in operation, while the third will start either on Saturday or Monday.

The Victoria Mills, owned and operated by the Fraser Companies, Ltd., were the first to start and Manager Glenn said this morning that the new machinery installed was working in excellent shape so that a successful season was anticipated. The Stanley Douglas Ltd., mill, at South Devon, made its first cut yesterday since passing to the new control from the York and Sunbury Milling Company. An additional shingle machine, lath machine and other improvements have been made since Mr. Douglass assumed control of the mill. The Babbitt Mill at North Devon, operated by W. D. Gunter, will probably start operations on Saturday or next Monday.

The total cut of the three mills will be more than 25 million feet, the Victoria Mills cutting 15 millions and the Stanley Douglass mill about 6 millions. A new scale of wages, about 20 per cent in advance of last year, is in effect at all the mills.

IMPERIAL DEFENSE COM. STILL FUNCTIONING.

London, May 6.—(By Canadian Associated Press)—During the discussion in the House of Lords, Earl Curzon declared that the Committee of Imperial Defense was not extinct, but in active existence and functioning through committees.

SIXTEEN YEAR OLD GIRL GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

St. Louis, May 6.—Usurala Brodeck, 16, who killed her stepfather, Joseph F. Woodlock in their home here April 14,1919, was found guilty of murder in the second degree by a jury in juvenile court here tonight and her punishment fixed at ten years in the Missouri penitentiary.

OBREGON DOESN'T WANT PRESIDENCY

San Antonio, Tex. May 6—Lieutenant Colonel Alvaro Obregon, in a manifesto issued in the State of Guerrero, a copy of which reached San Antonio today, called upon the Mexican people to rally to the support of the revolt against President Carranza and denied that he was seeking presidential power.

NEW CURE FOR TIRED FEELING

Thyroid Gland Tablets Feature of Chemists' Exhibition in London.

Cross-Atlantic News Service. (Copyright.)

By Viggs Toepfer.

London, May 6.—Thyroid gland tablets for use in homeopathic doses to restore the sprightliness of youth "while you sleep" are a feature of the 21st annual Chemists' Exhibition at the Northampton Polytechnic Institute here.

Thyroid glands from sheep are used in the composition. The makers claim the tablets "has successfully revitalized the worn-out and assisted the development of the stunted."

PREMIER BORDEN LEAVES FOR OTTAWA

Departed Yesterday Afternoon from Ashville—Says He is in Best of Health.

Ottawa, Ont., May 6.—A special to the Citizen from Asheville, N. C., dated today, says:

Accompanied by a number of officials of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and travelling in private car Canadian Pacific No. 100, Sir Robert Laird Borden, Premier of Canada, and Lady Borden left here this afternoon at 4.50 o'clock Eastern time, for Ottawa. They have been spending three weeks at Grove Park Inn, coming here after arriving in this country from England, where Sir Robert had gone with Admiral Jellicoe.

When seen at the station here this afternoon Sir Robert stated that he is in the very best of health, and hopes to be able to plunge directly into the work as soon as he arrived at the Canadian capital. He will pass through Washington and New York, and probably arrive in Ottawa on Sunday, although this, of course, will have to be governed by the connections made on the various roads over which he travels.

Several Asheville officials were at the station to bid the Canadian Premier farewell and urge him to come back to Asheville again.

CERTAIN STIPULATIONS MUST BE GUARANTEED

Before the League of Nations Will Offer a Mandate for Armenia to Any Power.

Washington, May 6.—(By Associated Press.)—The Council of the League of Nations has refused to offer a mandate for Armenia to any Power unless certain requested stipulations are embodied by the Supreme Council in the Turkish settlement.

According to official information received here, today, the League Council, in a note to the Supreme Council, has insisted that the boundaries of Armenia be fixed; that a free port, preferably Batum, be accorded her; and that protection for the defence of the new State be provided before the League Council will be free to ask an independent Power to assume mandatory powers over the country.

The action of the Council of the League, it was stated, was taken previous to the decision of the Supreme Council at San Remo to offer the Armenian mandate to the United States. In requesting President Wilson to fix the Armenian boundaries, the Supreme Council is believed by officials to have shown a disposition to comply with that particular of the League's suggestion concerning Armenia. The direct proffer of a mandate, contrary to the League's advice, is taken by officials as indicating not so much a spirit of antagonism to the League by the Supreme Council, as a desire to fulfill a political obligation to the United States which the League has felt incumbent upon it in the Turkish settlement.

KING'S COLLEGE CLOSING EXERCISES

Special to The Standard.

Windsor, N. S., May 6.—King's College closing exercises began today at 7.30 a. m. with Communion in the Memorial Church, His Grace the Archbishop of Nova Scotia taking the ritual. At 10.30, in Christ Church, the Rev. E. A. Harris, of Mahone, preached the University sermon. It was from the text, "Let us rise up and build; so they sprinkled their hands for the good works." The splendid address was calculated to inspire the sons of King's and the Church generally to rise up and rebuild the grand old College. Archbishop Worrell, Dean Llywd and a number of visiting clergymen and laymen were present.

BENSON NOT AT ALL SURE ABOUT ORDERS TO SIMS

"If Sims Said He Had Been Told Not to Let British Pull Wool Over His Eyes, Would Have to Go at That."

VERY STRONG IN FIGURES OF SPEECH

One of the Strong Figures Was "Would as Soon as Fight British as the Germans."

Washington, May 6—Asked by Chairman Hale of the Senate Naval Investigation Committee, today, what instructions he gave Admiral Sims before that official first sailed for London, Admiral W. S. Benson said he cautioned him to be very careful of his conduct in view of the delicate situation and to remember that the United States was still a neutral.

"I gave him my earnest instructions along that line," said the witness. "I felt very strongly regarding the situation and probably used very forcible language to impress on him the seriousness of the situation, but what words I used I cannot recall." Admiral Benson added that if Sims said he had been told not to let the British pull the wool over his eyes it would have to go at that."

"Do you deny it?" asked the Chairman.

"I cannot deny it under oath," replied Admiral Benson. "I do deny the interpretation that has been placed or attempted to be placed on it. I don't think anything could have been more confidential than my conversation with Admiral Sims."

"How could you say that we would as soon fight the British as the Germans?" asked the Chairman.

"Merely as a figure of speech to impress on him the seriousness of his task." was the reply.

Admiral Benson said that late in 1917 a feeling had gone up in the United States that Admiral Sims was being persuaded to give too much to British shipping and was using American destroyers too largely in connection with the British fleet. The witness testified that when he was in London he told Admiral Sims of this feeling, and addressed him as a friend to be careful not only for his own sake, but because of his official position.

"To say that I repeated the language that Admiral Sims says I used before he went abroad, is absolutely untrue," declared the witness. "I never had any unkindly feeling or anything along that line that the quotation could indicate. He said he knew that I was anti-British. I don't think I ever had a conversation with him along that line. My attitude then was of encouraging co-operation. I deny now any unfriendly feeling. I feel that a great injustice had been done me that should be corrected. I can never visit Great Britain again as I should like to, and I have many dear friends there and have been honored with one of the highest decorations that governments can give."

THE ONE BIG SOLDIERS' UNION

Planned to Make it a Political Organization and a Power in the Land.

Montreal, May 6—A start for the Grand Army of United Veterans, the projected new amalgamation of the Great War Veterans Association, the Grand Army of Canada, and all the other Canadian Associations of returned soldiers was made tonight at the Auditorium Hall here, when the new association was formally launched with the idea of the making it the nucleus of a political organization which should in the future be a power in the land. The attendance was small only about 1300 returned soldiers gathering at the meeting.

J. Harry Flynn, of Toronto, who spoke at the meeting, said he was leaving immediately for a ten weeks' tour of Canada to the Pacific Coast in the interests of the One Big Soldiers Union.

STRIKERS' CASE TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL

Winnipeg, May 6.—W. H. Trueman, K. C., counsel for the convicted strike leaders of Winnipeg, will leave for London next week to make personal application to the judicial committee of the Privy Council for leave to appeal the decisions on which the labor leaders were convicted.

For some time the representatives of the defense committee have been working in Britain to place the case of the men before the labor interest in the Old Country and are told in letters that "the outlook is promising."

BUDGET EXPECTED NEXT WEDNESDAY

Ottawa. May 6.—(Canadian Press.)—It is expected that Sir Henry Drayton, Minister of Finance, will bring down his budget on Wednesday. The definite date, however, has not yet been decided upon. Announcement in the House will probably be made tomorrow.

KRUPPS BUSY ON PEACE IMPLEMENTS

Fifty Thousand Men Busy Forging Materials to be Used in Reconstruction.

Cross-Atlantic News Service. (Copyright.)

By Viggs Toepfer.

London, May 6.—The great Krupp works at Essen, which forged the arms with which Germany made war, are today in full blast forging implements of reconstruction and peace.

This information was brought back here today from Essen by a British Government engineer. He says that the recent political confusion in the Ruhr district has not disturbed the production of the Krupp plants.

Before the war the Krupp works employed 80,000 men; during the war 105,000 labored to supply the German armies. Some 50,000 men are engaged in the production of reconstruction materials.

THE GERMANS FEAR THE BILL FOR INDEMNITY

Undecided as to Their Course in the Coming Conference at Spa.

ALLIES TOO DIVIDED

British Expect Annual Payment of 1,000,000,000 Marks, French 3,000,000,000.

Berlin, May 6.—The Mueller Cabinet has not yet decided whether to propose to the conference with the allied representatives at Spa a figure for the total of reparations Germany shall pay or to leave this to the Allies. Certain advisers of the Government consider it better that Germany merely furnish the facts and figures on her economic conditions, while others argue that it will make an impression of greater strength also to draw the conclusions from these figures.

In either case the Germans feel that what matters chiefly at the conference is strategy. They are confident that their analysis of the financial situation will make little margin between what they would propose and the sum the Allies have set.

It is impossible to obtain reliable news as to what the Cabinet believes would be a reasonable figure. Mr. Lloyd George's suggestion of £2,000,000,000, it is pointed out, is the same as that of John Maynard Keynes, author of "The Economic Consequences of the Peace," but the Cambridge financial expected to count off £500,000,000 for war materials, merchant ships, &c., and also made his estimate before the collapse of German exchange. The Germans probably will assert at Spa that they already have given up £1,500,000,000 in war materials, shipping, coal, &c., which should reckon amply in any bill the Allies render.

Mr. Keynes counted upon a annual payment of a billion marks in gold. "The French on their part want an annual payment of three billion marks in gold," says the Frankfort Gazette. "The latter proposition would mean the raising of 30,000,000,000 marks by taxation in addition to the stupendous burden that is already imposed upon us. But for our commerce it would mean that we would have to export in capital and goods, 30,000,000 marks annually more than at present without receiving its equivalent for home consumption. For the present prospects at the Spa conference are unpropitious for Germany."

It is not yet decided who will represent Germany at Spa. Apparently Dr. Hermann Mueller, the Chancellor, and Dr. Adolf Koester, Minister of Foreign Affairs, are now sure to go, but it is not certain whether Max Warburg, the financial expert, will be asked to accompany them. The only thing certain is that the smallest staff convenient will be taken.

The Conservatives do not look forward to the conference with any equanimity, feeling that a Premier who is a former trade union secretary and a Foreign Minister who is a former Socialist war correspondent will be unable to cope in such negotiations with Lloyd George or Millerand. Although there is general satisfaction over the fact that relations with the Allies have finally reached the friendlier stage of direct negotiations, the German press has showed no special gratification that three such important conferences are scheduled for the immediate future as those at Spa, Brussels and the economic conference with the French in Paris.

The fact is these conferences do not occupy the centre of interest. It is significant that the German press hardly commented on the closing of the "hole in the west" again, whose existence filled so many columns of polemics. The indifference is due partly to absorption in the coming German elections and partly to fear that there will prove to be no substance in the new policy of direct conversations.

The general German attitude is that the French have been outmanoeuvred by the British and that the Spa conference, even the Paris economic conference, are the result of British suasion. It is expected that the French will take the initiative at the Paris conference, the Germans attending there to hear what France wishes to propose rather than coming with her own suggestion. It is thought here that the principal topic will concern the beginning of the work of restoring the devastated provinces of France.

MEMORIALS TO FIGHTING DEAD OF CANADA WILL

Be Erected at Eight Historic Battlefields in France and Flanders if Com. Report is Accepted.

SUBMIT PROPOSALS FOR MEMORIALS

Belgian Gov't Has Given Four Sites, While Others Are to be Purchased.

Ottawa, May 6.—(Canadian Press).—Memorials to Canada's fighting dead will be erected at eight historic battlefields in France and Flanders if the recommendations of the special committee on war memorials is adopted as submitted to Parliament today. Representatives of Canada's returned soldiers, of Canadian colleges and architects' societies and government officials have completed their investigations and submitted their proposals for war memorials. With the proposals are the report of the Brigadier General H. T. Hughes on military sites, and of Prof. Percy E. Robbs, professor of architecture at McGill University on the proposed competition in which designs will be invited, and from which the prize design will be carried out.

The total cost of the work is estimated roughly at $1,500,000. The committee has selected eight sites for the memorials. In Belgium, sites at St. Julien, Crest Farm, Passchendaele and at Hill 62 have been accepted as gifts from the Belgium Government.

A site at Bourlon Wood has been accepted as a gift from Comte De Franqueville, Mayor of Bourlon, and four other sites, at Hill 145, Vimy, at the cross roads of Dury, at Courcelette and at Hospital Wood between Calx and La Quesnel have been acquired by the committee at a total cost of $1,500,000.

The Committee recommends that Brig.-General Hughes proceed overseas at once to institute preparations for construction, especially of the roads which will have to be built to four of the sites which are off the highway. It is also recommended that $250,000 be provided in the supplementary estimates this session to cover the cost of roads and of the competition for designs.

Items passed included $578,000 for maintenance and repairs for lighthouses, $400,000 for construction of lighthouses and aids to navigation, and $65,000 for signal service. The latter shows an increase of $5,000 over last year due, the Minister explained, to increased wages.

During the afternoon the Franchise Bill was again discussed in committee. Clause 29, referring to the disfranchisement of wives and children of naturalized British subjects, was the bone of contention. W. D. Euler, (North Waterloo) moved an amendment which would give these people the right to vote. The clause was still being discussed when the committee rose.

The pensions committee trouble, which has led to the resignation of Colonel Cyrus Peck, V. C., and Colonel R. C. Cooper from the committee because they refuse to accept the explanation given of the statements of Brig.-General H. H. McLean, (Royal N. B.) on Monday came up in the House this afternoon, but discussion was deferred in the absence of Col. Peck.

ORGANIZING GUARD IN MEXICO CITY

Construed as Meaning That Carranza Has Been Demanded to Abandon Capital.

Washington, May 6.—Mexican rebel agents here tonight announced receipt of a telegram from Mexico City saying that the President of the municipality was organizing a civilian guard, "for the purpose of protecting the city in the event of its evacuation." The information, the agents said, was construed by them to mean that Carranza had been demanded to abandon the capital, since the organization of force would not be undertaken without his consent, and certainly not without his knowledge.

STRIKING FACTS ON INFANT MORTALITY

Sec. of Child's Welfare Assn. Pleads in the Interests of Maternity.

Montreal, May 6—Mrs. Ira Hasbrouck, secretary of the Child's Welfare Association, New York, speaking before the Kiwanis Club here today, gave striking facts and figures concerning infant mortality in Canada and the United States. She pointed out the lack of legislative provision in the interests of maternity, prenatal and actual, on this continent with the result that, while the infantile death rate dropped to 61 per thousand births in England where mothers were protected by law in Montreal it was 191 per thousand. Mrs. Hasbrouck is here for a fortnight's visit on behalf of the Child Welfare campaign and this was her first address.

MORE FEVERISH EXCITEMENT

Washington, May 6—A resolution, proposing that Congress suggest to President Wilson that he refuse to receive Sir Auckland Geddes, the new British Ambassador, as Ireland's diplomatic representative, but receive, instead Dr. Patrick McCarton as Minister of the Provisional Irish Republic, was introduced today by Representative Hamil, Democrat, New Jersey.

PERFORMS MOST DELICATE OPERATION

Restores Sight to Eye Which Had Been Blind for Thirty-Two Years.

Cross-Atlantic News Service. (Copyright.)

By Viggs Toepfer.

London, May 6.—A London boilermaker named Kennard, who has studied surgery during off hours, has performed a remarkable operation which has restored the eyesight of Charles Davey, a shipwright, who has been blind in one eye for 32 years.

Davey placed himself in Kennard's hands after specialists had given up hope of restoring his eye-sight. Kennard cut into the tissues of the eye and removed a film which he found caused the blindness.

FRENCH GOV'T GRAPPLES WITH RAILROAD PROBLEM

Strike Now in Full Swing Causes Gov't to Hasten Its Plan of Reorganization of the Railroads.

Paris, May 6.—The strike of railwaymen, which has now extended to the miners and dockers and to the metal workers in the Paris district, with the threat of a possible general strike, has caused the Government to hasten its promised plan of reorganization of the railroads as forecast in the Chamber of Deputies on February 24 last. It is considered that this plan, giving control of the transportation system to a committee representing all interests, will furnish the probable basis for a settlement of the strike, which is a continuation of the May day demonstration, with nationalization of the railroads as its chief object. Unofficial details of the Government's project show that it provides for a control from the Council composed of delegates representing the technical and administrative personnel of the railroads, the workmen, Chambers of Commerce, Parliament and the Government.

Theoretically, the companies would retain and operate their properties, but they would merely be managers.

Money for financing improvements is expected to be found through the Government's guarantee of railway bonds.

ALL THIS HAPPENS IN DEAR MONTREAL

Where, 'Tis Said, Gin, Whiskey and Brandy Are Freely Sold at Prominent Club.

Montreal, May 6—Considerable opposition developed today when the case against granting a license renewal to the Garneau-Taschereau Club, one of the most prominent Liberal Clubs in Montreal, was argued before the License Commission. Evidence showed that there was much quarrelling at the club of evenings and waiters employed at the club stated that their instructions were to sell gin, brandy and whiskey to anyone who called for it. A member of the club disclosed that free cards were given out admitting non-members and that he had seen men go into the club sober and leave it drunk. The case was adjourned in order that books, minutes and by-laws of the club might be examined.

WATSON PLEADS GUILTY TO MURDER

Los Angeles, Cal., May 6.—Walter Andrew Watson, pleaded guilty in the Superior Court here today to a County Grand Jury indictment charging him with murder, in the first degree, for the killing of Nina Lee Deloney. Sentence was set for Monday, in the meantime, Wasch will be examined by two physicians, to be named by the court, on his own initiative to determine his mental competence.

MRS. GOMPERS DEAD

Washington, May 6—Mrs. Samuel Gompers, wife of the President of the American Federation of Labor, died at her home here tonight after a long illness. She was 69 years old.

KNOCKING THE 88 CONGRESSMEN

Pittsburg, Pa., May 6—The International Protestant League, through its headquarters here tonight, expressed opposition to the action of the 88 Irish-American Congressmen who yesterday sent a protest to British Government officials against the holding of Irish prisoners without trial.

GOV'T STEAMER EMPLOYEES TO RECEIVE MORE

Under the Civil Service Reclassification—Now Declared to be Poorest Paid Men in Canada.

WIGMORE ACCUSES LIBERALS OF WASTING

The Time of the Public and Delaying the Estimates — Franchise Bill Again Discussed.

Ottawa, Ont., May 6. — (Canadian Press.) — That the men aboard the Government steamers were the poorest paid men in Canada awas the statement made in the Commons this evening by Wm. Duff (Lunenburg) in discussing Marine and Fisheries estimates. He referred to the captain of the Montcalm being paid $135 a month and said "an ordinary nigger gets more than that." The Minister, he said, must know that able seamen are worth more than $60 per month. Perhaps the Arthur Young Company could get them at that price, but no one who lived along the coast would attempt it.

Mr. Ballantyne said the men would receive an increase under the Civil Service re-classification. Replying to Dr. A. W. Chisholm (Inverness), the Minister said the question of bonus for men on fishing vessels would be taken up later.

The ice-breaker J. D. Hazen was very much in the limelight. Mr. Duff stated that the Vickers Company had made $600,000 by turning this vessel over to Russia. Mr. Ballantyne said the transaction was made through the British Government, and he did not see how Vickers could have figured in the deal. Later he informed A. B. Copp (Westmorland) that the Canadian Government had sought to trace up the Hazen in order to buy her back if they could do so reasonably. W. A. Boyce (Simcoe) told Mr. Duff the whole matter was aired in the Public Accounts Committee, and the Minister promised to table all the papers in regard to the matter.

Delaying Game.

On a vote of $650,000 for salaries and allowances to lighthouse keepers, A. T. Leger (Kent, N. B.) urged that higher pay be given them. Mr. Ballantyne said that every man would benefit by the re-classification. The only ones who would not be increased were those who went once a day to hang a light on a wharf, and who were not lighthouse keepers.

R. W. Wigmore (St. John) accused the Maritime Liberals of wasting the time of the public and delaying the estimates. Mr. Duff retorted that he did not intend to be told by the member for St. John when he should speak and when he should sit down. When he wanted information he was going to ask for it.

PREMIER HAS NOTHING TO SAY

Remains Silent on St. John By-Election and Carleton Co. Vacancy.

Special to The Standard

Fredericton, N. B., May 6—Premier Foster this evening stated that there had been only a general discussion of various matters under consideration by the government at the sessions today, and that there were no announcements to be made as yet. He said there had been nothing done as yet respecting the by-election in St. John, nor would he intimate whether the vacancy in Carleton County's representation would be filled at the same time.

BUILDERS' STRIKE GROWS IN MONCTON

Moncton, N. B., May 6—With the additional number of journeymen carpenters, masons, plasterers, plumbers, etc., who went on strike today, it is estimated that between five and six hundred men are out on strike tonight. At a meeting of the Building Trades Council tonight, J. A. Macdonald, of Amherst, was chosen as the strikers' arbitrator to settle the strike. It is stated the builders exchange will meet tomorrow to appoint a committee to meet Mr. Macdonald in an effort to settle the dispute.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION ASSURED.

London, May 6.—Lord Strathcona's proposals in 1913 for a British Empire exhibition are now to be carried out by the government's promoting bill which is to contribute 100,000 pounds to the guarantee fund. The Prince of Wales is President of the General Committee.

NEW YORKER GETS PRINCE RUPERT DOCK

Prince Rupert, B. C., May 6. — In connection with the settlement of the Prince Rupert dry dock case, the statement is heard that Newman Erb, the New York railway magnate and financier, has bought out the interest of John L. Mullen, the Pittsburg contractor, and assumes complete control. It is stated that he has negotiations under way for the construction of a fleet of oil tankers at a cost of $34,000,000.