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BRITAIN AND THE "BIG SHIP" POLICY

London Reports Interest the United States

Comment in New York Newspapers—Japan Awaits Action by Britain and U. S. Before Considering Naval Holiday, Says Former Premier.

New York, Jan. 18.—(Canadian Press)—Reports from London to the effect that the council of imperial defence views with disfavor a continuation of the "big ship" policy, have aroused considerable attention in the press of the United States.

The New York Tribune attributes the change in the British attitude to consideration of the expense involved. The Evening Sun recalls the fact that it was splendid vessels such as the Queen Elizabeth, the Majestic and the Barham that decided the mastery of the seas and forced the German fleet to take cover, and kept open the channels of world commerce.

It adds: "If Britain discards the big ship policy it will be despite, not because, of the experience of the war." "A more reasonable explanation of her attitude," the Sun continues, "is found in the enormous cost of the modern super-dreadnaught. British finances are just beginning to recover from the effects of the war. Taxes are high, the pound sterling is depressed. The nation faces an enormous debt. The prospect of laying out 9,000,000 pounds for each new capital ship is staggering, to say the least. But, though the British purse just at present may be short, British insight into naval matters remains clear.

"It may be taken for granted that the hesitancy to construct new capital ships will last no longer than the shortage in the royal treasury continues."

In Japan. Tokyo, Jan. 18.—Proposals emanating from the United States that Japan, Great Britain and the United States "take a naval holiday" is "in direct conflict with the Japanese policy," says the Japanese navy minister.

"Only when an American-British agreement has been reached," he said, "can Japan be in a position to consider this proposition."

ARBITRATION IN EXPRESS CASE Demands of Employes for Revised Working Conditions and Wage Schedule.

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—After several weeks of negotiations between the Canadian Express Company and its employes regarding a revision of the working conditions, schedule and wage schedule, the matter will be submitted to a board of arbitration for settlement. Two applications were received for the board, one from the company nominating F. H. McGowan as its representative and the other from the employes, nominating Fred Bancroft of Toronto. Owing to a meeting of the board on Monday, the matter will be submitted to a board of arbitration for settlement.

SICKNESS IN FREDERICTON Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 18.—Although some members of the medical profession here declare the present epidemic of diphtheria is nothing other than flu in a modified form, the official records do not show any influenza cases in this city. Most of the fatal cases are being reported as pneumonia.

NEW WATERFORD MEN ASK ARBITRATION Gloucester, N. S., Jan. 18.—The mine workers of New Waterford have asked for the appointment of an arbitration committee to settle a dispute at No. 15 colliery over wages. The appointment of the arbitration committee is provided for in the recently signed Montreal operators-minors' agreement to which the New Waterford men were bitterly opposed.

K. C. TO CONVEY IN SAN FRANCISCO New York, Jan. 18.—The thirty-ninth annual international convention of the Knights of Columbus will be held in San Francisco the first week in August. This was decided by the Supreme Board of Directors. It was announced here by Supreme Secretary William J. McGinley.

DESERTED CHILDREN Montreal, Jan. 18.—That Quebec was the only Canadian province which does not make provision for the legal adoption of deserted children and foundlings was cited in a report by Miss L. C. Miller, superintendent of the Montreal Foundling and Baby Hospital presented at the annual meeting of that institution today.

Holland Would Be Clear Of The Hohenzollerns

Right of Asylum Reported Violated by Intrigue For Return of Ex-Crown Prince to Power in Berlin.

Paris, Jan. 18.—The Matin published the following from Berlin:—The government of Holland has notified the members of the family of the former Kaiser that it wishes them to leave the country. This amounts to disguised expulsion.

Thanks to the aid of several foreign diplomats, the Dutch government got possession of documents which prove in irrefutable manner that the Hohenzollerns are guilty of grave violation of the rights of asylum. The Dutch government knows today that at Doorn and Wieringen, the abode of the crown prince, preparations were made for a big coup d'etat. The former crown prince was to pass into Germany and enter Berlin at the head of the German troops that remain faithful.

SERIOUS FIGHT IN COUNTY GALWAY

Black and Tan Patrol Reported Ambushed

Four Civilians Said to Have Been Killed—May Be a New Inquiry Into the Burning of Cork.

London, Jan. 18.—Four civilians were killed and seven black and tan soldiers were wounded in a fight in County Galway, Ireland, according to reports received here today. The fight ensued when a black and tan patrol was ambushed near the city of Galway.

Another Cork Inquiry? London, Jan. 18.—The London Times says there is good reason to believe that the fires in Cork will be made the subject of another inquiry by another commission which is about to be appointed. All at Mass Seated.

London, Jan. 18.—Two uniformed London police women, says the Daily Mail, participated in a search for suspected women. Auxiliary surrounded the Fourmulla church during mass and every man and woman was searched on leaving. Many torn letters were found in the church.

May Be More Drastic Measures. London, Jan. 18.—In a letter to the deputy mayor of Cork relative to the attempt to remove martial law Major General Strickland, British Commander in Munster, says the present state of affairs in Ireland cannot be allowed to continue and that he "will be compelled to take such drastic measures as may seem necessary to make the lives of the crown forces secure from assassins and cowardly attacks," says the Central News.

HAD IT ROUGH Saxonia at Halifax — Boy Died on the Voyage. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 18.—Twelve days and twenty-five hours after leaving France, the Canadian liner Saxonia, arrived at this port at eight o'clock this morning, after one of the stormiest passages in the history of the Atlantic.

FOR NORTH END PLAYGROUNDS Committees Appointed and Plans for the Armstrong & Bruce Site Announced.

A meeting of the executive of the North End Development League was held on Monday evening when the following trustees were appointed to take over the grounds secured by the city from Armstrong & Bruce: C. F. Stevens, F. S. Heans, George P. Hamm, R. Parker Hamm, W. H. Turner, and T. A. Armour, secretary. The following grounds committee was also appointed: R. P. Hamm, F. S. Heans and C. F. Stevens. The securing of 100 loads of cinders by one of the committee was confirmed, and early in the spring a start will be made leveling the ground. The lot is 650 north and south and 306 feet east and west. The executive plan on making a quarter-mile running track, a baseball diamond, tennis court, a quonset court and apparatus for the children, and for basketball games.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "I see it is estimated that there are about 1,000,000 people in the world."

"An' every one of 'em," said Hiram, "I understand why the other 1,500,000,000 can't see that he's right an' they're wrong. But that's human nature."

CANNOT MEET OBLIGATIONS Brokerage House of Ernest Smith & Co. Reported in Trouble.

Boston, Jan. 18.—The stock brokerage house of Ernest Smith & Co., members of the New York and Boston stock exchanges today announced that they were unable to meet their obligations. The announcement was read from the rostrum of the local exchange, which declared them suspended for one year.

WAS 40 BELOW AT TRIQUOIS FALLS

Toronto, Jan. 18.—(Canadian Press)—White River, Ontario, which generally has the coldest winter in the official weather map of Canada, has not reported its mercury standing this morning to the observatory, but a minimum of 40 below today, being at Ottawa, and twenty-eight below at Cochrane, Ont., are unofficially reported to the observatory.

WANTED DUTY ON "IMPORTED FISH" New England Fishermen May Modify Demand

N. S. Commissioner Shows Them Some Reasons Why —Likely Duty on Certain Kinds or Embargo on Some Vessels.

Boston, Jan. 18.—The New England Fishermen's Union, which has taken the lead in a movement for an emergency tariff on imported fish, will probably modify its first demands, according to the view of M. H. Nickerson, commissioner of fisheries for Nova Scotia, who has been here for some time watching developments.

NEWS AGAINST THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. CHURCHILL London, Jan. 18.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The Daily Chronicle, the chief organ of the coalition government, confirms the report that Hon. Winston Churchill will become secretary of the state for the colonies.

BALLOONISTS TO BE ASKED ABOUT THE QUARREL TWO HAD Rockaway, N. Y., Jan. 18.—Lieuts. Kloor, Farrell and Hinton were asked to appear today before the naval board of inquiry here to give first hand reports of their balloon flights into Northern Ontario.

Maritime—Mostly fair and decidedly cold today. Wednesday local snow flurries. Gulf and North Shore—Decreasing winds, fair and decidedly cold today and on Wednesday.

Highest and lowest temperatures: Stations. 8 a.m. Yesterday. Night. Victoria..... 40 38 36 Kamloops..... 26 25 22 Edmonton..... 40 32 28 Prince Albert..... 40 32 28 Winnipeg..... 40 32 28 White River..... 40 32 28 Sault Ste. Marie..... 40 32 28 Toronto..... 40 32 28 Kingston..... 40 32 28 St. John, N. B..... 40 32 28 Halifax..... 40 32 28 St. John's, Nfld..... 40 32 28 Montreal..... 40 32 28 Quebec..... 40 32 28 Ottawa..... 40 32 28

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Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 18.—Charlie White, Chicago lightweight, has been cited to appear before the Wisconsin state boxing committee to answer charges of stalling in his match at Kenosha on last Friday, with Sailor Freedman, also of Chicago.

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New Orleans, La., Jan. 18.—Eddie O'Hara of New York won the decision over Martin Burke of New Orleans, in a fifteen round fight here last night. They were evenly matched.

Troy, N. Y., Jan. 18.—Harlem Eddy Kelly last night decisively outpointed Hugo Clements of Albion in a fifteen round bout.

New York, Jan. 18.—A large part of the noted French racing stable of the late Wm. K. Vanderbilt will be brought to the United States this year, so A. K. Macomber, a California horseman, announced here today. He acquired the stable last September at a price reported at about \$1,000,000.

Mutinous Men of Wrangel's Former Army Are Finally Subdued. Constantinople, Jan. 18.—French black troops turned their machine guns on mutinous Cossacks of Gen. Wrangel's former army encamped at Tchatalja, 25 miles northwest of Constantinople Sunday night after the Cossacks had disbanded their officers.

Two Thousand A Month For 16 Year Old Girl Court Grants That to Mrs. Lebaudy, Who Slew Her Husband in January, 1919.

Mineola, N. Y., Jan. 18.—Mrs. Marguerite A. Lebaudy, who killed her husband, Jacques Lebaudy, at their home in Westbury on January, 1919, yesterday was allowed \$2,000 a month for the support of her 16 year old daughter, Jacqueline.

GOVERNMENT TO MEET TOMORROW NIGHT IN CAPITAL Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 18.—(Canadian Press)—A meeting of the provincial government which it is said, will deal with preparations for the coming session of the legislature, will open here tomorrow night.

VIEWS ON RAISING OF EMBARGO ON OUR SECURITIES London, Jan. 18.—(Canadian Associated Press)—Discussing the Canadian government's removal of the embargo on securities, the Financial News says it will probably not be welcome to holders of Victory bonds, but will prove acceptable to many persons here who will find it highly profitable to dispose of Canadian stocks and bonds at present rates.

WAGES OF LOGGERS CUT ONE-THIRD Homestead, Wash., Jan. 18.—A cut of 33.3 per cent in wages of loggers in the Gray's Harbor district, became effective today upon agreement of employers and employes through the wage scale board. The employes accepted the reduction so that logging camps might resume work.

NEW HOME RELATION IF THIS ADOPTED Topeka, Kas., Jan. 18.—Husbands would be pleased in the status of employees with their wives as employees in their homes and permitted to recover damages for injuries received while performing household duties under the terms of a bill introduced in the Kansas house of representatives today by Mrs. Minnie J. Grinstead, representative from Seaward county. The measure was the first to be offered by one of Kansas' two women representatives.

THE SITUATION IN VIENNA PANICKY

Workingmen Threaten to Take Charge in City

Thursday the Crucial Time—Some People Leaving the City—Prices Must Come Down, No Matter What Result.

Vienna, Jan. 18.—The threat of the workingmen to take things into their own hands on January 20, has created a decidedly panicky situation in Vienna, notwithstanding the reassuring tone of the newspapers. It is reported that there have been large withdrawals of money from the banks and a decided exodus of those classes of the population directly threatened has set in.

The recent demonstrations growing out of the postal strike, the character of the testimony before the fair price conference yesterday and steadily falling in the value of the crown all have served to bring the population to a high state of nervousness. But whether this nervousness is justified, Thursday alone will show.

The conservative newspapers are filled with optimistic Paris despatches regarding efforts in Entente countries generally to secure financial relief for Austria, but in the face of this the crown has fallen 100 points on the dollar exchange in the last five days.

The public is pinning its faith on the police for the maintenance of order. It is reported that the association of former officers and non-commissioned officers has been thoroughly organized as police auxiliaries in case of need. Inasmuch as these men number about 30,000, it is believed they will prove a deterring factor against any really grave outbreak.

The Austrian newspapers generally are refraining from mentioning Jan. 20, by government instruction, but today they contain the warning that no element should imperil the hoped-for Entente aid by communist lawlessness.

The price conference has resulted in the wholesalers and agrarians uniting and declaring that it is useless to hope for a reduction in the cost of necessities under present conditions. Replying to this statement, Herr Eldersich, second president of the national assembly, declared that prices must come down, no matter what the result.

Among the numerous incidents tending to increase the tension was the seizure today by the workmen's council of 126 cannon and other military materials. They already have been loaded on cars at the freight terminal, but their destination is not known as the bills of lading have disappeared; presumably, however, they are bound for Hungary.

An investigation disclosed the fact that all the war stores came from Austrian demobilization camps.

NAMES OF TAX DELINQUENTS MADE PUBLIC (Special to Times.) Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 18.—The City of Fredericton is to publish a list of rate payers who are delinquent in payment of taxes up to February 1. This will give a list of those who owe to pay. Sixty thousand dollars represent the total of arrears, but much of that cannot be collected. Many of the arrears can pay, however, are behind.

Ald. J. Stewart Neill at a recent meeting of the city council said that it was business and professional men who were arrested. This statement was challenged by a well known firm and Ald. Neill at a later meeting of the council said that he could support his statement with figures and suggested that a published list of delinquents be given to the public in the city blue book. His suggestion was acted upon.

FIRST MOVES OF FRENCH CABINET Paris, Jan. 18.—The new cabinet met yesterday and began consideration of the terms of the ministerial declaration, which will probably be read in parliament on Thursday.

The ministry decided upon the suppression of the department of food supplies and also, on proposal of M. Doumer, that the department for the liquidation of war stocks be attached to the ministry of commerce. Bills authorizing this transfer and creating an under secretary of the foreign office will be introduced soon.

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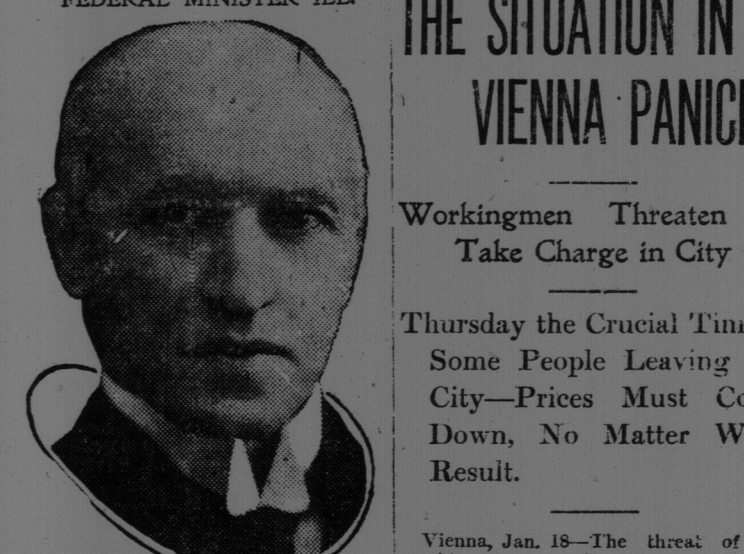
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grand total with Armstrong, whose score was 121. The Australians made 331 in their first venture at the wicket and England 447.

DEMOCRATIC LABOR PARTY FOR NORWAY London, Jan. 18.—A Christiania despatch to the London Times says that as a protest against the Bolshevik attitude of the official labor party, the social democratic opposition group has decided overwhelmingly to constitute a democratic labor party in Norway.

MISS FRANCES CULLINAN. Frances Gertrude, youngest daughter of Peter and the late Maud Cullinan, of North street, died last evening in the General Public Hospital after a brief illness. She was seventeen years of age and enjoyed the esteem of a large circle of young friends who will deeply regret to hear of her death. Besides her father she is survived by a brother, Joseph, who went away and returned to the city with the 20th battalion, and two sisters, Annie, in Fredericton. The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from O'Neill's undertaking rooms.

WEATHER REPORT Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 18. 8:42 a.m. at Fredericton.



Hon. A. L. Sifton, secretary of state who has been seriously ill at his apartments in Ottawa.