

AGREEMENT REACHED ON NEW PROPOSALS LOOKING FOR IRISH PEACE SETTLEMENT

After Three Hours' Conference Government Ministers and Sinn Fein Delegates Come Into Accord—Terms of New Agreement to be Announced Tomorrow.

London, Dec. 6—The conference between the government ministers and Sinn Fein delegates reached an agreement at an early hour this morning on the new proposals, which underwent certain modifications, for an Irish settlement.

After a session which lasted more than three hours, from 11.15 last night until 2.20 this morning, the meeting of the government ministers and Irish representatives in the Downing street residence of the prime minister separated and a member of the cabinet, replying to a question as to how things stood, said:

"The news isn't bad; an agreement, in fact, has been reached, the terms of which will be communicated to the press in time for the Wednesday morning papers."

The delegates looked very tired and grave as they left the premier's residence to enter waiting cars. Asked whether he had anything to say, Michael Collins, the Sinn Fein "finance minister," answered sharply "not a word."

Sir Robert Borden Busy On Chinese Tariff Question

Representative of the Empire on Committee Dealing With This Subject.

Washington, Dec. 5—(By Ben Deacon, Staff Correspondent of the Canadian Press)—The fall in the proceedings of the Washington conference has not meant any interval of rest for Sir Robert Borden, the Canadian delegate.

Demands of Chinese for wider autonomy in respect to the tariff entail many complicated features and the members of the committee have been busy today studying a mass of data and holding informal conversations.

Violence Marked Opening Day of Packers' Strike

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 5—Violence marked the opening day of the strike at the South St. Paul packing plants, several persons being slightly injured when a group of commission men clashed with strike pickets late today in an unsuccessful attempt to enter the Swift & Company plant.

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Harry Mother! A teaspoonful of "California Fig Syrup" now will thoroughly clean the little bowels and in a few hours you have a well, playful child again.

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"Fruit-a-tives" will always relieve indigestion because these tablets strengthen the stomach muscles, increase the flow of digestive juices and correct constipation, which usually accompanies indigestion.

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TWENTY-TWO ARE KILLED WHEN TRAINS CRASH

Wooden Coaches Piled up in Cut, Take Fire, Adding to Horror.

Rescuers Obligated to Stand Helpless

While Victims Enmeshed in Wreckage Shrieked as Flames Tortured Them.

Philadelphia, Dec. 5—Additional bodies recovered from the smouldering debris, and deaths of two of the injured tonight, increased the list of fatalities as a result of the head-on collision between Philadelphia and Reading railway suburban trains to 22.

Most of the victims perished, not in the first impact, but in the flames which broke out almost immediately afterwards.

CHINESE DELEGATE WITHDRAWS FROM CONFERENCE PARLEYS

Dr. T'yu Disgusted With Doings at Arms Conference and Cables to Peking His Resignation from Delegation—No Actual Results Achieved from Conference Regarding China.

Washington, Dec. 5—Philip K. C. T'yu, secretary-general of the Chinese delegation to the Washington Conference, today cabled to Peking his resignation as a member of the delegation in protest against the "negative results" thus far received concerning China's demands.

Referring particularly to the withdrawal of the foreign post offices from Chinese soil, Dr. T'yu said the action of the Conference in agreeing to accede to this demand by China, only after long investigation by a commission, was in direct violation of China's rights as a sovereign nation.

"I personally do not feel that any actual results have been achieved by the Washington Conference regarding China's rights as a sovereign nation," he said.

Conservatives of York-Sunbury Ready To Keep Up Record

Electors Eager to Cast Their Ballots for the Party Canada Needs.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Dec. 5—The party supporting Hon. Arthur Meighen, through its candidate, R. B. Hanson, K. C., in York-Sunbury, stands ready tonight, to repeat the victory of the re-election of May last when Mr. Hanson defeated E. W. Stairs, Progressive candidate, by little less than at thousand votes.

Mrs. McCudden To Visit Portland

Portland, Me., Dec. 5—Mrs. A. E. McCudden, the British gold-star mother, today accepted an invitation to devote a memorial service in Andrews Square by the Portland Rotary Club in memory of Harold T. Andrews, the first Portland boy killed in the war.

Two Courts Busy With Aftermath of Arbuckle Case

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 5—Two courts were concerned today with the aftermath of the manslaughter trial of Roscoe C. (Patty) Arbuckle, which ended in a disagreement yesterday.

In the Commissioner's Division of the United States District Court an appearance was made for Arbuckle in answer to a prohibition violation charge, and simultaneously, in the police court, Mrs. Minnie Neighbors, witness for the defence in the manslaughter trial, appeared on a perjury charge in connection with her testimony.

The prohibition violation charge arose from the serving and consumption of liquor at the party in Arbuckle's rooms in the Hotel St. Francis on September 6, during which he is alleged to have injured Miss Virginia Rappe, motion picture actress. The manslaughter trial resulted from Miss Rappe's death.

PREMIER MEIGHEN BRINGS TO CLOSE MOST REMARKABLE CAMPAIGN OF TWO MONTHS

Visited Seven Provinces and Delivered Two Hundred and Fifty Speeches, Preaching His Doctrine of Protection and Laying Bare the Record of the Government.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 5—(Canadian Press)—A campaign tour, covering a period of more than two months in time and seven provinces in area, and necessitating the delivery of about 250 speeches, came to a close here this evening when Premier Meighen addressed a great crowd in the Armouries.

The fact that the Prime Minister continued his fight even to the eve of election day, necessitating his leaving immediately after the meeting in order to register his own vote in Ottawa tomorrow, is an indication of the strenuous nature of the campaign he has been carrying on. He will reach the capital at about noon of the day on which the people of Canada will determine whether or not he is to continue as Prime Minister of the Dominion.

There have been but few breathing spells since he started out two months ago to preach his doctrine of protection throughout the country, and lay bare the record of the Government.

The crowds at the meeting tonight must have numbered approximately 5,000 people.

Windsor Needs Protection.

In opening his address, Mr. Meighen said that if place in the Dominion where he should not have to appeal for support it was in the city of Windsor. A city which was situated on the boundary line between Canada and the United States, directly opposite a much greater American city, should realize the importance of the tariff to Canada.

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The Navy League of Canada and DISARMAMENT

ADMIRAL EARL BEATTY, O. M., Etc.

Speaking in Massey Hall, Toronto, November 28th, 1921, said—

"THE NAVY LEAGUE IS A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION PERFORMING A GREAT NATIONAL WORK. IT SHOULD BE SUPPORTED BY EVERY ONE."

THE following is the broadest possible indication of the feeling of the Navy League of Canada on the proposals of the Washington Conference on the limitation of naval armaments.

When the war began the tonnage of "capital ships" (i.e. battleships and battle cruisers) in the British Navy was:

ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND AND SEVEN HUNDRED. That of the United States Navy was: FIVE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND FIVE.

It is now proposed that by "scrapping" and cessation of new construction the ratio for the next ten years shall be:

Great Britain Five hundred thousand tons United States Five hundred thousand tons Japan Three hundred thousand tons

There are so many technical, moral, economic and political questions involved in consideration of the points at present under discussion, and it is certain that there will be many modifications of the original proposals which form the basis of these discussions, that at this stage of the Conference it would only be confusing to enter upon a more detailed analysis of the whole question.

This involves immediate sacrifice by: Great Britain of TWENTY-THREE SHIPS, nineteen of which are afloat; United States of THIRTY SHIPS, seventeen of which are afloat; Japan of TWENTY-FIVE SHIPS, ten of which are afloat.

The proposal to allow the question of submarines to be left wide open with construction unrestricted, prompts one to ask the question: Is the whole aim of the Conference to equalize naval strength by scrapping the costly capital ships and offering increased "div" for competition—a costly but much more deadly and diabolical weapon—the submarine which would increase brutality at a decreased cost, leads one to believe that there is no altruism in the whole business.

The Navy League of Canada endorses the following statement made by Mr. Balfour: "We have considered the proposal with admiration and approval. We agree with it in spirit and in principle."

But—a prominent Canadian newspaper says:—"We welcome it as an expression and a symbol of a moral ideal, the substitution of the reign of law for the rule of force."

The Navy League of Canada BELIEVES THAT THE "SYMBOL" OF THE REIGN OF LAW AGAINST THE RULE OF FORCE IN 1914 WAS—BY THE HELP OF GOD—THE BRITISH NAVY, AND THAT THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE IS ONLY POSSIBLE TODAY THROUGH THE READY EFFICIENCY OF THAT "SYMBOL" AT THE TIME OF HUMANITY'S SOREST NEED.

The Navy League of Canada believes that the word of a writer in the Washington "Mail" more nearly defines the character of this proposal:—"It is not humbly revolting against the barbarism of war, but business common-sense revolting against going bankrupt."

The Navy League of Canada does not advocate National and Imperial bankruptcy, but DOES emphasize the simple truth, easily overlooked, that WHAT HAS BEEN MAY BE, AND THAT IN INDIVIDUAL AND NATIONAL EXPERIENCE THERE IS NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN.

The Navy League of Canada shares, in common with all men and women of goodwill, the longing for a world commonwealth in which everyone shall respect his neighbor's property. But it is the duty of the League to remind us that, just as hunger for food, discontent with wages, labor conditions and the like, stir men and women to revolt so that they attack their nearest neighbor who has—or seems to have—what they lack; so do land hunger, territorial ambition and kindred afflictions torment nations.

A special despatch to a Canadian newspaper says:—"Disarmament proposals put aside to grandiose plans attributed to the Minister of the Naval Service, for future expenditures. . . . Proposal is Preventive of ill to come."

Playing Politics The Navy League of Canada exists for the purpose of protesting against the dissemination of just such disloyal propaganda throughout the Dominion.

The "grandiose plans" referred to are but proposals to pay a trifling instalment of a debt to the Mother Country that self-respecting Canadians citizens of the British Empire feel should have been settled in full long ago.

Mr. Balfour said— "The geography of your country (United States) makes you wholly immune from perils which the British Empire is subjected to. . . . We are not lamenting over the weakness of our country. But this strategic weakness is known to our enemies. They do not let it be forgotten by our friends."

The United States coastline is: TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND MILES The British Empire coastline is: OVER ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND MILES, scattered over the seven seas.

Arthur Brisbane, U. S. writer, says— "With her danger points all over the earth, Britain would need a navy twice as big as ours for purposes of defence."

We recall the word of Mr. Balfour:—"Our weakness should not be forgotten by our friends." It will never be forgotten in Canada so long as the Navy League of Canada is true to her charge.

"KEEP WATCH"

Paris, Dec. 5—Germany will probably be granted a three years delay in her cash indemnity payments, the Associated Press is informed from the most reliable sources. Negotiations are now going on between the reparations officials of France and Great Britain.

Got Him Guessing. "Kate hasn't any confidence in her husband, has she?" "No. She caught him telling the truth the other day, and now she says she can't understand him at all."

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