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Birkenhead Opposed To French Occupation of The Ruhr

U. S. PREMIER FOR COAL STRUGGLE

OUTCOME OF CONFERENCE IS AWAITED

Machinery for Emergency Distribution of Fuel Reported Ready. SITUATION ACUTE Final Reports Indicate That Anthracite Substitutes are Available.

(Canadian Press.) Washington, Aug. 25.—With machinery for the emergency distribution of fuel supplies in final shape, the government today awaited the outcome of efforts by Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania to find a compromise which would lead to a settlement of the anthracite coal crisis. The designation of Mr. Pinchot as a mediator, which followed his conference here yesterday with President Coolidge and Chairman Hammond, of the coal commission has perceptibly strengthened the feeling of optimism which has marked official opinion since the situation became acute. Plan Is Described. The status of Mr. Pinchot in the general plan for preventing a cessation of hard coal production was described at the White House as "co-operative". Holding an especially strong position by virtue of his office, the governor will have behind him every influence of the federal authority in his endeavor to bring the miner and operator groups once more to the conference table. It was emphasized, however, that the administration itself intended to adhere to its policy of not further intervening in the controversy. Final reports on the national fuel situation were said to confirm the prediction of the coal commission that anthracite substitutes would be available in quantities adequate for over normal requirements.

Arrives In U. S.



LORD BIRKENHEAD

LAURENTIC GOLD TAKEN FROM SEA

Recover All But Few Bars Following Sinking of Ship by Submarine. London, Aug. 25.—All except a few bars of the thirty million dollars worth of gold bullion which dropped to the ocean when a German submarine sank the Laurentic off Donegal, Ireland, had been recovered by divers, who, since 1918, have been carrying on their labors, ninety feet below the surface of the sea. The thirty bars remaining in the water, it is expected, will be brought up within two weeks. In addition to the gold, which was consigned to U. S. bankers, the Laurentic was laden with almost five million dollars in silver, mostly in two shilling pieces, all of which has been salvaged by the divers. The men have been using a diving apparatus with a dial attached that shows whether the spear point is touching gold or a base metal such as iron. The clock-like dial is kept aboard the salvaging ship and is connected with a spear which is in the hands of the diver working ninety feet below the surface. The hand moves to the zero mark when the spear is prodded against anything other than copper or other such metal, but when it touches gold the dial swings to the right. It veered further when it came in contact with a eighteen carat bar than when it touched one of nine carats.

Secret Peace Offer Made By De Valera

BRITAIN IS ONLY NATION PAYING DEBT

Birkenhead Says France is Committed to Carry Out Plan. OPPOSES WILSON Former U. S. President's Judgment Wrong, He Tells Audience. Williamstown, Mass., Aug. 25.—Asserting that Great Britain today is in the position of being the only power that is paying off the debt of the world, Lord Birkenhead, former Lord Chancellor of Great Britain, last night said that Britain has an "incurable habit of paying her debts but that other nations pay her the tribute of thinking that Britain is always ready to forgive her debts. Lord Birkenhead landed in New York yesterday morning and hastened here to address the closing session of the political situation in those districts. "But," the speaker continued, "the moment they went in I have always quite plainly maintained that they were committed and that the flag of France was committed with them in making the experiment. And I myself see no means whatever which are within our power to determine whether the United States should intervene in the affairs of a stricken Europe. He quoted Jeremy Bentham, a British philosopher and jurist to the effect that self-interest was the necessary motivating spring of human endeavor. Wilson Judgment Wrong. In deciding what constituted her best interests, Lord Birkenhead continued, the United States must remember that the world is a single world in which to develop their resources and that commercial genius flourishes only when the whole world flourishes. He warned of the effect of the restricted markets on manufacturing and agriculture and declared that if in a poverty-stricken world the United States produced more than she could use herself, sooner or later, she would experience the same conditions now afflicting Great Britain. In emphasizing his assertion that the world would probably not be a free free rein; no nation in democratic conditions will ever become the knight-errant of the world; Woodrow Wilson's judgment of his countrymen was wrong, and through this error he became the agent of all post-war developments from which his altruistic mind would have recoiled.

EX-PREMIER DIE BEFORE NOVEMBER

British War Premier's Visit Will be Non-Political, is Report. NO MONEY SPEECHES Plans to Return to England Before Fall Parliament is Opened. (Canadian Press.) New York, Aug. 25.—David Lloyd George, former Premier of Great Britain, will visit Canada and the U. S. between September and November, said Sir Alfred Cope, under secretary for Ireland during the Lloyd George regime, who arrived on the Mauretania yesterday to make arrangements for his former chief. The date will be before November 15, he added, as the former Premier wishes to be back in England on that date, when Parliament convenes. "Lloyd George's visit will not be political," Sir Alfred said. "Nor will he give any lectures or make any speeches for money. He is probably will speak only once or twice during his visit, which will include Canada as well as the U. S., Sir Alfred added. He was in Canada 25 years ago, but has never been in the U. S.

THEY WORK FAR FROM EARTH

"Aerial Couple" Earn Living by Soaring Near Clouds and Watching for Forest Fires Below. Man and \$8,000 Vanish; Bloody Car Sole Clew. Charles Feldner, on Way to Start Farm in South, Shows Bankroll. New York, Aug. 25.—The disappearance of Charles Feldner, of 181 East Third street, a week ago while on his way to Florida with \$8,000 in cash, followed by the finding of his car yesterday in a New Brunswick, N. J., garage, with four long knives matted with blood and hair concealed under the back seat, has furnished the police here and in New Jersey with one of the strangest mysteries encountered in some time. Feldner apparently had no relatives or close friends to note his failure to return to his boarding house, where he was believed to be a retired business man. His disappearance was reported by William E. Hopkins, of 168 Eighth avenue, who had been employed to drive him to Florida, where Feldner intended to start a rabbit farm. Just before departing on the trip, Feldner bought a 1914 model touring car from the Brown Auto Exchange at Third avenue and Eleventh street. When the two men arrived at New Brunswick, it was found the car needed new tires. The auto accessory shop of Wildgoose & Lewis had only two tires on hand that would fit the machine, and offered to send to Newark to get two others. While this was being done Feldner went to have lunch, intending to look about town afterward. Hopkins accompanied him to the luncheon, where Feldner became chatty with several men, telling them of his proposed southern enterprise. The auditors grew extremely interested, Hopkins declared, when Feldner produced his roll of bills. When the tires arrived at the garage Hopkins went to put them on. Although he waited in the garage until 10 o'clock that night, Hopkins told the police, his employer failed to return. The chauffeur then came back to New York to wait further instructions, but no word came from Feldner he notified Middlesex County authorities of circumstances. License Plates Stolen. Investigating disclosed that license plates had been stolen from a car belonging to Rolly Birlein, of 106 Bay Tenth street, Brooklyn, and another set of plates was hidden away in the machine, the latter set belonging to Charles Wade, of East Ninety-sixth street, who reported his plates stolen ten days ago. When the knives were found police ordered a chemical analysis made of the stains to determine whether they were caused by human blood. Literature about farming in Florida was found in the car, an evidence, police declared, that Feldner was serious in his intentions of going south, but had been hit by another car. He died in two hours.

GOVERNMENT TURNS DOWN PROPOSALS

Report Says De Valera Asked Republican Funds to Call Off Fighting. ALL TERMS REFUSED Scheme Said to be Fostered by Free State Senator Andrew Jameson. (Canadian Press.) London, Aug. 25.—That Eamonn de Valera a fortnight before his arrest made a secret peace offer to the Irish Free State Government, is asserted by the Dublin correspondent of the Daily Express, who attributes the information to a member of the Free State Government. The substance of the offer, the correspondent says, was that if the government would put in De Valera's possession all the Republican funds in the U. S., amounting to \$500,000, he would undertake to use them solely for "constitutional agitation" in Ireland and terminate immediately military activities throughout the country. Offer Turned Down. According to the correspondent, the government turned down the offer, declaring they would make no terms with De Valera whatsoever. The approach to the government is said to have been made through the Free State Senator Andrew Jameson, who after receiving most persuasive messages from De Valera undertook what the correspondent describes as a dangerous pilgrimage to the Republican leader's retreat, previously obtaining from the government safe conduct and a pledge that no attempt would be made to locate the hiding place.



MR. AND MRS. NICK MAMER. Spokane, Aug. 25.—Speaking of folks out here are convinced that the Mamers have about the most thrilling in the world. "The Mamers" are Mr. and Mrs. Nick Mamer of this city, a young couple, recently married. Both are expert aviators, and they employ their time during the day by cruising about up near the clouds, watching for forest fires below. Spotting forest fires in eastern Washington is an important assignment. The Timbermen's Protective Association decided best results could be obtained by having an airplane on the watch. That was where the Mamers came in. So, following their aerial honeymoon, they started to work. Whenever they "spot" a fire, they radio its location to headquarters.

BOSTON SHAMROCK STRONG CONTENDER

Shows Up Well in Recent Trial Trip Off Cape Ann. Gloucester, Mass., Aug. 25.—The Boston Shamrock will be a strong competitor in the Gloucester biennial race for the Lipton Cup here next Monday, her owners reported after the vessel's trial trip off Cape Ann yesterday. With a light breeze and smooth sea—conditions under which experts had said she would not do well—she made good speed. On the windward leg she showed exceptional qualities. During her practice spin, the Shamrock had an impromptu brush with the Elizabeth Howard, one of three schooners which will start against her on Monday. The Shamrock soon showed her superiority. Sir Thomas Lipton is expected to watch the race from the shore.

ST. JOHN GIRL BEATEN AT GOLF

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Aug. 25.—Miss Edith Bauld, Halifax, won the Ladies' Golf Championship of the Maritime Provinces here yesterday by defeating Miss Mabel Thomson, St. John, in the finals of the tournament, 5 up and 4 to go. The inter-provincial match was played yesterday and won by Nova Scotia. The tournament concluded with the presentation of prizes.

Quarrels of Arabia Fought In Cardiff

Stokers Make Lively Dock Front Scams Over Old Grudge. Cardiff, Wales, Aug. 25.—London dockers shelter this summer colored visitors from all over the world, but Cardiff often finds her streets filled with rough-neck sailors from the Seven Seas. This was the case recently when 800 Arabian stokers made the dockfront the scene of an attempt to settle tribal differences by finding their origin on the shores of the Red Sea. White dockers and sailors took their hands out of their pockets, spat on them, and leaped into the thick of it without asking whether it was a private battle or a free-for-all. Four policemen came at a run and dutifully attacked the 800. Their trousers made no impression on the mass; they went on with their task. Knives began to flash, and brown-skinned Orientals went dashing through the dockyards seeking reinforcements of their clansmen. The Chamarris were settling an old grudge with the Adenese. At the not of a whistle, the police closed on their heels picking up stragglers. The sad and battered company that rode away in the police van was composed of many tribes, but there was no fight left in them.

SEARCH FOR WOMAN IN \$50,000 FRAUD

Allege That She Fleeced Others By a Bogus Agency Scheme. Chicago, Aug. 25.—A nation wide search for a woman who is believed to have fleeced members of her sex to more than \$50,000 in recent months through a spurious agency contract game perpetrated in nearly the entire eastern half of the United States was started today by a local silk house. The objective is described as "prosperous looking, sometimes appearing with bobbed hair of a reddish or yellow cast, very small feet, weight about 160 pounds, aged between forty and forty-five." The culprit's scheme is to sell exclusive agency rights for certain goods in each locality. In many cases, reports to the firm here indicate she has collected cash in full for her offering. She recruited cash sales to milliners, dressmakers, beauty shop proprietors and furriers in New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Western states.

London Papers See Government Victory In Elections In Ireland

London, Aug. 25.—The morning newspapers carry long special despatches from Dublin reviewing the election prospects. The correspondents record a general belief that the success of the government party is assured, but admit the existence of sufficient unknown quantities to leave some doubt on this point, especially in view of the large number of new electors. Opinion seems to be virtually unanimous that the government party rears the new Dail will contain a considerable majority in favor of the treaty and the Free State constitution. One estimate is that the anti-treatyites will not obtain more than 25 or 300 seats. The statement of Frank Aitken, De Valera's chief of staff, that whatever happens the Republicans will not surrender their arms, is said greatly to have damaged the Republican chances. Aitken has included capture and issues messages to his supporters, although it is said he is being constantly hunted from mountain to mountain by government agents. Mrs. Erskine Childers, who though an invalid, is playing an active part in the election campaign, said in an interview that she was hopeful of a Republican victory at the polls, but was not optimistic. She admitted that the government had a firm grip on the Irish people.

DISCUSS SPEECH

French Press Comments On Address Made By New German Chancellor. Paris, Aug. 25.—Chancellor Stresemann's address in Berlin yesterday, in which he renewed his predecessor's pledge of material securities for the payment of reparations has added to the slight though general optimism felt here over the whole situation. Although the newspapers regret that Herr Stresemann made substantially the same offer as did Dr. Cuno, they nevertheless remark that the tone of his speech showed a change for the better. "The Chancellor does not think it necessary to pronounce imprecations against France. He speaks like a man prepared to talk business and he has the good sense to advise his compatriots not to counter on inter-allied dissensions to pull Germany out of her present difficulties." Premier Poincaré's organ, Le Matin, likewise finds in the Chancellor's speech "a change in tone worthy of remark."

Aircraft Building Obstacles Are Seen

Washington, Aug. 25.—Practical difficulties in the way of a conference to bring about world limitation of aircraft building for war purposes are considered by President Coolidge to be even greater than they were at the time of the unsuccessful endeavor to obtain such a limitation during the Washington arms conference.

Child Falls From 5-Storey Building

New York, Aug. 25.—Salvatore Di Russo, five years old, fell off the roof of a five storey tenement building yesterday. On the way down he bounced off the third storey window ledge, where his mother was sewing. She collapsed and was taken to the hospital. Salvatore went home with a few cuts on his scalp.

Case Makes Record At Hospital Here

Auto Accident Victims 132 Hours Without Regaining Consciousness. To be conscious only for very short periods, during 132 hours, creates a record in the medical history of the General Public Hospital. Dennis Burke and Ernest Lewis, victims of an automobile accident near Rothsay on last Sunday evening, were reported this morning to be semi-conscious. Nourishment is given them as they lay unable to help themselves. The extent of Burke's injuries were a cut about two inches in length over the left eye, another on the bridge of the nose, and a bad cut behind his left ear. Lewis was also cut over the left eye, and on the frontal area. Although an X-ray examination has not yet been made, it is believed that Lewis is suffering from a fractured skull.

Wire Briefs

Toronto, Aug. 25.—Frankie Bull of Toronto, Canadian lightweight champion, successfully defended his title against Georges Gerardin, in a fast 10-round bout. Sydney, N. S., Aug. 25.—Sticks of dynamite found in the yard and at the entrance recently gave notice of an attempt to destroy the Government fish hatchery at Margate.

To Salvage Guns Of Wrecked Raleigh

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 25.—A local salvage firm has been awarded the contract of salvaging the guns of the British cruiser Raleigh, wrecked on the Labrador coast last year. It is understood they are endeavoring to obtain one of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine steamers for the purpose.

Dr. J. G. Scott, 81, Killed By Auto

Seaford, Ont., Aug. 25.—Dr. J. G. Scott, 81, one of the most prominent physicians of Huron County died last night at Brussels, following a motor accident near that town. Dr. Scott, who was motoring with his sister, from Toledo, Ohio, lost his hat and when he stepped out to get it was hit by another car. He died in two hours.

To Discuss Embargo On Pulpwood Here

North Stratford, N. H., Aug. 25.—Senator G. H. Moses, of New Hampshire, left here last night for Canada. Today he will meet a representative of the Canadian Government in Quebec to discuss the present embargo on rough pulpwood from the Dominion. Discussing the embargo, Senator Moses said: "Two can play at the embargo game. An embargo on American coal to Canada this winter would be just as much justified as the shutting off of rough pulpwood from the U. S."

White Star Liner Olympic In Port

Southampton, Aug. 25.—The White Star liner Olympic arrived at this port from Cherbourg at 7:38 a. m. The U. S. Shipping Board steamer Levantian out in at Southampton at 12:55 o'clock yesterday morning.

LOCATE WRECK

London, Aug. 25.—Salvage experts have at last succeeded in locating the whereabouts of the wreck of the P. and O. liner Egypt, which went down on May 21, 1922, after having been in collision with the French steamer Seine off Ushant. The wreck has been found six miles from the scene of the accident, at a depth of thirty-four fathoms.

Weather Report

MORNING PAPER REPORT. Showery. West Maritime—Fresh southeast to northwest winds, becoming showery. East Maritime—Fresh easterly to southerly winds, partly cloudy, followed by showers tonight. Northern New England—Partly cloudy Saturday; Sunday fair moderate temperatures. Moderate southerly winds. NOT YET FOUND. George Wilton, a small boy living in Paradise row, who disappeared a few days ago has not yet been found.