WOMAN HAS FASTED THIRTY-EIGHT DAYS

Will Take No Food Until Her Husband Gets Religion.

Danville, Ill., Jan. 5.—Still refusing to take food because her husband "has no religion," Mrs. Ernest S. Harrington today entered the 38th day of her fast. She allowed a physician to examine her, but refused his efforts to administer medicines. She insisted that God had told her to fast and pray, and repeated she was determined to force her husband into the church.

"I will continue fasting and praying until God grants my prayer," she said today. "The Lord talked to me on May 15 and told me to do this, for while my husband is not a bad man he has no religion and He said this would be the means of converting him."

The physician who examined the woman said he found her pulse and temperature normal. He also said she had not lost flesh.

"I do not believe in her kind of religion and besides I am not ready to join church," said her husband. "If she wants to starve herself to death, that's her business."

"PRINCE OF ABYSSINIA" TESTED FOR INSANITY

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Grover Cleveland Redding, "Prince of Abyssinia," and "Royal Envoy Extraordinary" and "minister plenipotentiary of the Empress of Abyssinia to the United States," was examined by Dr. C. E. Neymann, superintendent of the Psychopathic Hospital, today with a view to determining his sanity.

In the meantime his trial with eight co-defendants for murder in connection with a riot last June, in which two men were killed, when they attempted to prevent the burning of a United States flag, was halted. It is charged that the riot resulted from a parade of "Abyssinian Princes," a negro organization.

The test of Redding's sanity was conducted at the request of attorneys for the defence. The extravagance of Redding's claims in the promotion of a home-going expedition of Chicago negroes to "their Abyssinian fatherland," was cited as evidence that he may not be mentally responsible.

OFFICIAL FIGURES ON QUESTIONS AND BYLAWS

Following are the official figures of the vote taken on New Year's Day on questions and bylaws.

Hydro purchase question: For, 29,081; against, 1,672. Majority, 27,409.

Exemption of dwelling houses: For, 20,926; against, 8,701. Majority, 12,225.

Daylight saving: For, 29,879; against, 21,272. Majority, 8,607.

Water mains: For, 39,136; against, 6,809. Majority, 32,327.

North Toronto secession: For, 646; against, 1,589. Majority, 943.

Only ratepayers were permitted to vote on the Hydro and the dwelling house exemption bylaws, while all electors were allowed to vote on daylight saving and the water mains question.

EX-GUARD OF PORTSMOUTH IS SENTENCED TO JAIL

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 5.—(Canadian Press.)—Everton Reynolds, former guard of the Portsmouth penitentiary, found guilty of having carried letters out of the institution for convicts, was sentenced this morning to six weeks in jail. He is still out on bail, as his counsel is appealing the case to Toronto to ascertain whether the magistrate has jurisdiction in such a case.

MISSISSIPPI SENATOR INTERVIEWS MENNONITES

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—State Senator C. F. Hurburgh, of Galesboro, Miss., representing land owners in the southern states is visiting Manitoba in connection with the proposed emigration of Mennonites from this province to Mississippi. Senator Hurburgh has interviewed large numbers of Mennonites and predicts that a good many of them will settle in the south.

German Music for First Time Since War at Paris Opera

Paris, Jan. 5.—German music was played tonight at the opera, which is subsidized by the French government, for the first time since the outbreak of the war. The performance was Wagner's "Die Walkure," and every seat in the house was occupied.

The police were ready for any possible disturbance, but only a small crowd of curious persons gathered outside and no demonstration was attempted.

TWO MOTOR PLANTS REOPEN.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 5.—The Reo Motor Car Company has resumed operations after a week's shutdown for inventory. The entire force of 5200 men are working on half time. The Olds Motor Works here also is operating on a part-time basis.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take Grove's LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE tablets. The genuine bears the signature of E. W. Grove. 30c.

WOULD ABOLISH MAYORS.

Quebec, Jan. 5.—A large number of Quebec municipalities are petitioning the provincial legislature, which opens next week, for power to abolish the office of mayor and to substitute that of a manager for it.

REOPEN ANGUS RAILWAY SHOPS

Montreal Jan. 5.—It was announced today that the Canadian Pacific Railway Angus shops in this city, employing some 5,500 men, which had been closed for twelve days' holiday just before Christmas, have been reopened under the same conditions as previously.

LEATHER PLANTS CUT WAGES.

Gloversville, N.Y., Jan. 5.—A wage reduction ranging from 20 to 33 1-3 per cent., and affecting all workers in the leather dressing and tanning industry here, today was announced by the manufacturers.

MANITOBA BOND ISSUE AID TO RURAL CREDITS

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—A two-million-dollar, ten-year, six per cent. bond issue of the Manitoba government sold today for 101.11. The purchasers were Strang and Snowden, Winnipeg; W. A. McKenzie and Company, Toronto, and R. A. Daly Company, Toronto. Interest and principal is payable in Canada and United States. One million of the bonds sold will constitute a working capital for rural credits operations in Manitoba, for the furthering of agricultural development in the province.

GOVERNMENT SHIPS ENCIRCLE THE GLOBE

Last Link in Canada's Merchant Marine Forged With Sailing of Vessel for Singapore.

Montreal, Jan. 5.—Canada's ocean carrying trade, by the medium of the government ships, has at last encircled the globe. The last link in this world-girdling enterprise was forged today with the departure of the S. S. Canadian Inventor from Vancouver for Singapore and Calcutta, it was announced today.

After months of preparation the Canadian government merchant marine has completed its plans for tapping the markets of the orient from both the Atlantic and Pacific, and hereafter the boats bound east from Montreal and St. John thru the Suez canal, will meet the boats bound west from Vancouver at the terminal port of Calcutta.

PAUL BOWER OF TORONTO KILLED ON HYDRO WORK

Niagara Falls, Ont., Jan. 5.—Paul Bower, of Toronto, employed on the Hydro canal, was instantly killed this afternoon when a big channel drill fell on him, pinning him to the ground. A work train was passing along and caught one of the channel drills at number nine shovel, knocking it into the cut on top of Bower, who was working immediately below it. Assistance was at once given and the drill taken off, but life was found to be extinct. Bower was 24 years of age and leaves a wife in Toronto.

ALL-STEEL MONOPLANE ARRIVES IN EDMONTON

Edmonton, Jan. 5.—Captain "Wop" May and his crew of four, with one of the all-steel monoplanes for the Imperial Oil Company's northern service, arrived here safely at 5.20 this afternoon, completing his trip from New York by air. Altho almost dark, a good landing was made at the May-Gorman airdrome grounds, where a large crowd was awaiting the party. The machine left Saskatoon at half-past twelve and made the distance to Edmonton in slightly less than five hours in the face of a heavy head wind. The plane will be kept here until the arrival of the second machine from Virden, Man., where it is being repaired.

ALGONQUIN PARK IN WINTER.

There is an increasing desire among many city people to escape from the cares of housekeeping, and of life in the large centres, and seek the hospitality and good cheer to be found at the resort hotels. The Grand Trunk Railway System is meeting this desire in keeping open its famous hotel in the Algonquin Park of Ontario, "The Highland Inn." This hotel is easily accessible through Ottawa or Toronto, and offers warm, cheery private and public rooms. Excellent cuisine and the companionship of guests who have a common aim—to enjoy the healthful winter sports, invigorating climate that the great unspoiled wilderness of Algonquin Park affords. For rates, etc., apply to N. T. Clarke, manager, Highland Inn, Algonquin Park, Ont., or any Grand Trunk agent.

STRIKE MAY TIE UP ALL SWEDISH VESSELS

Stockholm, Jan. 5. — The entire Swedish mercantile fleet threatens to be tied up by a general strike of marine engineers who are demanding an increase in wages. North Sea traffic is already paralyzed and it is probable that all Swedish passenger steamers will be laid up.

Traffic on the Baltic sea virtually has ceased and the Swedish-American Line announces that unless a settlement is made immediately the Trans-Atlantic liners Stockholm and Drotteinholm will cancel their sailing dates upon returning to their home ports.

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U. S. CHANGE LAW OF NATURALIZATION

Alien Women Marrying U. S. Citizens Must Now Make Application.

Washington, Jan. 5. — Drastic changes in the United States naturalization law, especially as applying to women, are provided in a bill reported favorably today by the house immigration committee.

Women under the bill no longer would derive citizenship from the naturalization of their husbands, but would be required to make individual applications for citizenship.

They also would not lose their United States citizenship by marrying aliens, except when an alien husband cannot lawfully become a citizen of the United States or when a woman leaves the United States and resides two years in her husband's country, or five years in some other country.

Once expatriated, a woman desiring citizenship would be required to follow the same procedure as any other alien. Women aliens, also under the bill, would no longer automatically become citizens on marrying citizens of the United States, but would be required to make application for citizenship after a five years' residence in the country.

Children of naturalized parents under the measure no longer derive citizenship automatically from the parents, altho they would be made eligible to apply for citizenship when between the ages of 18 and 21, and upon proof in open court of their qualification and "their attachment to the principles of the constitution."

The bill would require all applicants for citizenship to demonstrate their ability to read as well as to speak English as at present. This provision would become effective one year after enactment of the bill. Applicants would also be required to disavow any anarchistic beliefs.

FIRE OF GERMAN POLICE KILLS SEVEN COMMUNISTS

Berlin, Jan. 5.—Seven persons were killed and twenty-two wounded at Falsberg by a police volley fired on riotous communists, following the funeral of a communists named Hoffman, who was shot by the police when he attempted to escape.

In the evening, following the funeral, a mob attempted to storm the police barracks. Several shots were discharged over their heads as a warning, but when the mob continued to advance a deadly volley was fired. Forty arrests were made, including a leader of the communist party.

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Two-Mile Kitchen Marathon Daily for the Housewife

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 5.—Preparation of meals for an average family means a two-mile daily kitchen marathon for the housewife, statistics compiled for the conference of vocational workers of the south in session here, disclose. A pedometer attached to students in the kitchen of the model home at Livingston School showed this measurement for the stove-sink-and-pantry route covered during the period from bacon and eggs to dinner and dessert.

LORD READING ACCEPTS VICEROYSHIP OF INDIA

London, Jan. 5.—Lord Reading, the lord chief justice and former special ambassador to the United States, has decided to accept the post of viceroy of India, according to the evening papers.

The appointment was announced several days ago, and attention was then called to the fact that for the first time in history a chief justice had been named as viceroy.

President-Elect Harding Thirty-Second Degree Mason

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 5.—President-elect Harding became a thirty-second degree Mason tonight at the end of a twelve-hour initiation here, participated in by ranking officials from all parts of the United States.

Starting as a master Mason, the president-elect was raised thru the other twenty-eight degrees at a continuous sitting arranged particularly for his accommodation. He was the third chosen chief executive to travel thru the higher degrees of Masonry before the Scioto Valley Consistory, James A. Garfield and William McKinley having been given their thirty-second degrees here.

Fell Asleep in Her Bed, Woke in Police Station

Somerville, Mass., Jan. 5.—To fall asleep in her own bed and to awake in the police station several miles away, her bare feet cut and bleeding, was the unusual experience of Mrs. W. A. Twombley of this city.

An automobile party early today spied Mrs. Twombley hurrying along the street, clad in night clothes. They hailed her, but got no response. Then they placed her in the car and took her to the police station. An hour afterward Mrs. Twombley awoke. Her husband brought her clothes and took the sleep-walker home.

GRANT RECOUNT IN OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—A recount into the last municipal elections, for which Joseph Kent and Frank Plant, mayor-elect, were mayoralty candidates, was granted today by Judge Gunn, on the application of Mr. Kent, the unsuccessful candidate.

HOTELMAN PASSES.

Brockville, Ont. Jan. 5.—The funeral took place here today of William Willis, aged 78, for many years proprietor of the Arlington Hotel, Smith's Falls. He died at Auburn, N.Y. His wife and two daughters survive.

LANDING OF SERBIANS CAUSES STIR IN FIUME

Rome, Jan. 5.—Serbian troops have landed on the Island of Arbe which is not yet completely evacuated by the legionaries of D'Annunzio, according to a despatch from Ancona to Idea Nazionale.

The news of this manoeuvre has produced a great impression in Fiume and telegrams of protest have been sent by the Fiumans to the Italian government.

SCRANTON LIVING OVER A FURNACE

Mine Fire Is Extending Over Area of About Fifty Acres.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 5.—Residents of Lower West Scranton are living over a raging furnace, while officials of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company, together with members of the local police and fire department, are making an effort to determine the exact location of a fire in what is believed to be old mine workings about 500 feet below the surface.

The fire was discovered Monday, when huge clouds of smoke began pouring thru the airshaft of the Continental mine of the D. L. & W. Company. At that time it was believed that the fire might have extended from the blaze that has been raging for years in the Continental mine. Last night, however, fire broke out anew in the central airshaft of the same company and also in West Scranton and set fire to the wooden framework running thru the opening.

It is now believed that there are two mammoth mine fires instead of one, and that the flames are spreading over an underground area of approximately fifty acres. The new blaze spread rapidly today east and west, reaching a considerable area on either side of Garfield ave., along Washburn street. The presence of gas and black damp prevented firemen from going down the shaft in the attempt to find just where the blaze is located.

While there appears to be no immediate danger to the thousands of people living over this particular area, officials fear that if any surface settlings should occur while the blaze is raging, the fumes of gas, sulphur and black damp would creep up thru the crevices and possibly enter the homes of the residents, with results that might in some cases prove fatal.

VARIETY OF WEATHER ENJOYED BY PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.—Philadelphia weather today displayed a wide variety of samples.

The thermometer rose to 57, the highest for this date in five years, and within three degrees of the record made in 1874

A heavy fog hung over the city this morning, delaying transit, hampering shipping and causing several accidents.

Later in the day it rained while the sun shone brightly from an unclouded sky, making that rare winter phenomenon, a sun shower. At one time it was raining hard at the city hall, while the streets were dry and the sun was shining at Broad and Arch streets, a block away.

One of the most brilliant rainbows of the winter appeared in the northern skies.

WINNIPEG CAR MANAGER GOES TO ATLANTA, GA.

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—Frank L. Butler, general manager of the Winnipeg Electric Railway Company, has resigned his position to become head of the railway department of the Georgia Railway and Power Company, Atlanta, Ga., it was announced today. His resignation will take effect January 31.

Mr. Butler came here in April, 1918, from Chicago, where he had previously been general manager of the Chicago and West Towns Railway Company.

HUSBAND SHOT LOTHARIO IN A FLORIDA COURT

Orlando, Florida, Jan. 5.—Dissatisfied with a $100 fine imposed on John Brown, found guilty of having troubled the wife of L. Hotaling, the husband shot and killed Brown in the police court today as he was counting out the money. A stray bullet narrowly missed Mayor Duckworth. Hotaling was held by a coroner's jury.

NEW C.N.R. STATION STARTS AT ST. JOHN, N.B.

St. John, N.B., Jan. 5.—Preliminary operations for the erection of the Canadian National Railways new station, train shed and viaduct here, were commenced this morning, when J. H. McClure, bridge and building master of the C.N.R., began making hydraulic borings for the foundations. A timely feature is that the work will give employment to a number of men.

Smitten by Conscience; Returns Price of Horse

Raleigh, N.C., Jan. 5.—A pang of conscience, more than a half century overdue, netted W. C. Nanny of Rutherford county $135 yesterday. A letter registered from Tennessee contained the money and the statement that the repentant horse thief who sent it had sold a horse stolen from Nanny's father-in-law in 1867 for the amount transmitted.

FRENCH HISTORIAN DEAD.

Paris, Jan. 5.—Ernest Denis, professor of modern history at Sorbonne University, died this morning. He was born Jan. 3, 1849, and was the author of a number of books on history.

HER BOW WAS DAMAGED.

New York, Jan. 5.—The British steamship Korona, bound for the West Indies, collided with a car float while passing the statue of liberty tonight and slightly damaged the steel plates at her bow. No one was injured. Repairs on the liner were started at once and she is expected to resume her voyage tomorrow. Her 39 passengers stayed on board.

EMPIRE LEAGUE IS BEING FORMED

Would Offset Anti-British Propaganda in All Parts of Canada.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The newly-formed British Empire League which has been founded here as an offset to the Self-Determination for Ireland League, and any other organization which aims to disrupt the empire, is making steady progress here. The secretary, Rev. Kennedy H. Palmer, states that organization, which has been going on in many parts of Canada during the past five months, has resulted in a number of prominent men binding themselves together to promote the objects of the league, and they feel the movement sufficiently strong now to bring it prominently before the public. It is stated that the movement is also making headway in Australia and other parts of the empire. A meeting in Toronto along these lines is expected very shortly.

The League's Purpose.

The objects of the league as set forth in its constitution, include the following: To bear unswerving loyalty to King and Empire; to knit and cement the kindly ties between the mother country and the overseas dominions; to mark "all news printed and published in the attempt to destroy the integrity of the empire and to bring such articles and news to the attention of all members in order that steps may be taken to combat, in as fair ways, their evil and foul influence"; to watch over the education of children by watching all text books selected for use in public schools; to supervise the catalogs of all books placed in public school libraries; to do all in its power to encourage observance of days of empire significance and the flying of the flag on public buildings and mercantile houses daily; "to place our loyalty to the empire above all party politics and to govern ourselves to refrain from taking part in any political action which may have a deterrent effect between the overseas dominions and the motherland."

All members of the league are to be British subjects and Protestants. Their wives or husbands, as the case may be, are also to be Protestants.

It is stated the league will be a force in politics, and that its influence may be felt in the oncoming election at Peterboro.

SUFFERING IN TOLEDO; MANY ARE UNEMPLOYED

Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 5.—Declaring that the situation is acute and that intense suffering will result among the poorer classes of the city unless something is done immediately, Cornell Schreiber, mayor of Toledo, today called a meeting of representatives of every industry in the city to discuss unemployment and if possible provide work for those now idle.

Mayor Schreiber declared he has been told there are 25,000 men out of work, have been so for some time, and that the city's charity resources have been depleted thru an almost constant drain.

Fatal Riot in Church Aired in Michigan Court

Monroe, Mich., Jan. 5.—Details of a religious riot at a Wesleyan Methodist Church last June 28, in which two men were killed and a number wounded, were related in county court here today by Louis J. King, of Toledo, who claims to be an ex-Catholic priest. King was testifying in the case of Albert B. Sherman, a farmer and deputy sheriff of Monroe County, on trial for alleged murder.

Sherman is said to have shot to death Walter Gilday, of Erie, Mich., during the riot. Morris Drouillard also was shot fatally dying several days later in a hospital in Toledo. Both were members of the alleged mob.

Testimony showed that Sherman was in the church as a special officer sent there to protect the preacher and his congregation.

Body of Shooting Victim Is Removed From H's Grave

Belfast, Jan. 5.—The body of Richard Leonard, a school attendance officer, who was a victim of a shooting at Limerick, was exhumed yesterday and removed in a military lorry. Leonard's relatives, arriving at the churchyard later for the purpose of enclosing the grave with netting, were surprised to find that the body had been removed.

A machine gun officer was arrested in connection with the Limerick shooting which resulted in the man's death.

North Dakota Asked to Approve St. Lawrence Tidewater Route

Bismarck, Nd., Jan. 5—Governor Lynn J. Frazier, in his message late today to the North Dakota legislature, declared for a state-owned coal mine, and included the following additional recommendations:

Increase in tax to speed up payment of bonuses to former soldiers.

Making railroads and other corporations operating in the state subject to state laws and not to federal laws alone.

Approval by North Dakota of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterways project.

Enactment of marketing laws to prevent gambling in grain.

SIR DONALD McMASTER.

London, Jan 5.—Sir Donald McMaster, the well-known Anglo-Canadian member of parliament for Chertsey, who was raised to a baronetcy in the last New Year honor list, is seriously ill.

LADY FORBES-ROBERTSON.

London, Jan. 5.—The Trans-Canada Theatres, Limited, has secured Lady Forbes-Robertson for a tour of Canada this season.

ETHEL BARRYMORE INDISPOSED.

Cincinnati, Jan. 5.—Miss Ethel Barrymore, the actress, cancelled today's performances here. She is suffering from neuritis.

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BELGIAN EX-PREMIER WILL NOT BE PROSECUTED

Brussels, Jan. 5.—Baron Charles de Broqueville, former premier, will not be prosecuted for the minor part he took in the case of Baron Evence Coppee and his son, who were charged last June with having supplied the Germans during the occupation with coal and other products. On a previous application for the release of the prisoners, Premier de Broqueville made a deposition in their favor.

The committee of investigation into the conduct of the ex-premier has adjudged that there are no grounds to implicate him, but that he was guilty of levity and imprudence, not, however, sufficient to justify further action.

FORMER PREMIER BUSY LUMBERING

Ex-President of Finnish Republic Toiling Hard in North Timiskaming.

Cobalt, Ont., Jan. 5.—Oscar Tokor, a former premier of Finland, and president of the Finnish Republic during Kerensky's regime in Russia, is the leader of a party of 40 Finns who are working in a lumber camp 20 miles north of North Timiskaming. Tokor is reported to have taken to the hard manual labor with a will. In the spring the party expect to take up farming at the head of Lake Timiskaming, about 10 miles from New Liskeard, the principal farming community of Northern Ontario.

In Their National Garb.

This party of Finns left New Liskeard about two months ago, clad in their national garb, and directed by a guide, trekked thirty-five miles to the lumber camp, where they are employed. Tokor wore the uniform of a Finnish officer. The only woman in the party was Tokor's wife. None of the party could speak English and on passing thru North Timiskaming, where they purchased provisions, they were overjoyed to meet and converse with a number of their fellow-countrymen resident there.

Tokor, who was deposed following a revolution in Finland, was subsequently sent into exile.

HALVE ARMY COST AND RELEASE MEN

U. S. Senator Says Economic Troubles Would Pass Away Like the Mist.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Another discussion of world naval disarmament before the senate foreign relations committee today was without result. The committee adjourned subject to the call of the chairman, expected within a few days.

The entire session was taken up with the presentation of arguments by Senator Walsh, Democrat, Montana, in favor of his resolution requesting the president to send a representative of the United States to sit with the general disarmament commission of the League of Nations. The Borah resolution, proposing independent negotiations with Great Britain and Japan was not taken up.

Senator Walsh later issued a statement outlining the arguments he presented before the committee. The Montana senator said he emphasized that the world was now spending about eight billion dollars for war purposes and had two million men under arms.

"If half this useless expenditure were saved," said Senator Walsh, "Europe would have an abundance of capital with which to restore her industries, ruined by the war, and if she released a million men from her armies her productive capacity, with abundance of capital, would be so increased that the economic troubles which now perplex the world would pass away like mist before the morning sun."

Naval Reduction Question.

Senator Walsh also said that he told the committee that if the present naval construction program of the United States and Great Britain should be continued, the United States navy would be as formidable as the British by 1924.

"But, as we have a very ambitious construction program, and Great Britain a very modest one," he added, "the effect of the Borah resolution, which simply contemplates cutting the naval construction plans of Great Britain, the United States and Japan fifty per cent., would operate to postpone, if it did not indefinitely postpone, the time when Great Britain would no longer be mistress of the seas."

Senator Walsh argued that a general reduction would permit such a readjustment as would make the strength of the United States at least that of Great Britain. He opposed the suggestion of a proportionate reduction on similar grounds.

TO PROBE CHARGES OF NEW YORK CORRUPTION

New York, Jan. 5.—Former Governor Charles S. Whitman late today formally accepted District Attorney Swann's offer to conduct an investigation of alleged charges of corruption in the city government made by State Senator Theodore Douglas Robinson and Assemblyman Joseph Steinberg. The acceptance was with a definite understanding that he would have a free hand to carry the inquiry into any department of the city administration.

Project to Divide France Into Administrative Regions

Paris, Jan. 5—A project which would divide France into from 20 to 25 administrative regions was considered and approved by the council of ministers yesterday. The head of each district would be known as the regional prefect, and would have authority over departmental prefects and would be empowered to authorize and make loans and levy taxes. The plan will be laid before the chamber of deputies when it reassembles.

TO PROBE COAL DISPUTE.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The minister of labor has appointed C. D. Fisher, of Saskatoon, chairman of the board of conciliation which will investigate the dispute between seven operators in the Edmonton coal mining district, and their employees.

SIMPLE FUNERAL OF EX-CHANCELLOR

Former Kaiser Sent Son and Wreath as Tribute to Bethmann-Hollweg.

Berlin, Jan. 5.—The burial of the former imperial chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, took place in the rustic cemetery at Hohenfinow this afternoon. The funeral rites were of the simplest nature and the interment took place in the presence of the villagers, the employes of the estate, numerous officials and political associates of the former chancellor.

Pastor Passow and Vice-Chancellor von Heintze delivered eulogies, the latter speaking on behalf of the government. Prince Oscar represented the former German emperor. He brought a wreath to which the former emperor's card was attached.

Others present included Dr. Michaelis, who succeeded von Bethmann-Hollweg as chancellor; General Gantjiff, representing former King Ferdinand of Bulgaria; Dr. Alfred Zimmerman, former secretary of foreign affairs; General von Beseler and Count Brockdorff-Rantzau, also former foreign minister.

JANUARY TENTH NOT SUITABLE DATE

German Delegation Declares It Cannot Come to Paris on That Date.

Paris, Jan. 5.—The French government today received notice that the German delegation was not ready to resume the reparations conference at Brussels on Jan. 10, as had been agreed upon before the adjournment of the conference last month.

The only reason given by the Germans for desiring a postponement of the conference is that it would be personally inconvenient for Herr Bergamann of the German delegation to be in Brussels on the 10th. No other date is suggested, however, and the tendency here is to connect this postponement with the disarmament question, it being considered a natural sequence of the remarks made by Dr. Walter Simons, the German foreign minister, to Ambassador Laurent in Berlin recently, that insistence upon the disbandment of the German police organizations might make the consideration of the reparations question at Brussels more difficult.

McGUIGAN APPOINTMENT SATISFACTORY TO C.N.R.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—(Can. Press)—Absolute denial of a despatch from Winnipeg to the effect that the management of the Canadian National Railways has expressed dissatisfaction with the appointment of F. H. McGuigan on the board of conciliation which will deal with the dispute over the Hanna order, was made today by the minister of labor.

"The item is absolutely false from beginning to end," said Senator Robertson, "and in justice to Mr. McGuigan it should be denied. I have received no expression of dissatisfaction from Mr. Hanna as a result of the appointment of Mr. McGuigan and no intimation that the Canadian National management was desirous of selecting another man. The board of directors of the Canadian National Railways is meeting in Toronto today, and not on Jan. 20, as stated in the despatch."

VANCOUVER PRINTERS STRIKE FOR MORE PAY

Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 5.—Commercial printing shops here are closed, job printers having gone on strike for a higher wage schedule. The men are asking $60 and a 42-hour week. The master printers offered them the existing scale of $40.50 for 1921, but this was refused.

EXPORTS FROM PORTLAND.

Portland, Maine, Jan. 5.—Exports from this port in 1920 amounted to 534,363 tons, carried by 111 transatlantic ships, according to figures compiled by the transportation bureau of the chamber of commerce. The total is below that of 1919, due principally to the falling off of wheat shipments to the British Isles, but is above the pre-war level.

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