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CITY BUSINESS MEN IN BIG DEMONSTRATION IN STREET FOR A SQUARE DEAL

Crowd Swarmed in Prince William Street at Noon Today

A. P. Barnhill Goes to Toronto, Backed by Strong Resolutions—Photographs and Moving Pictures—Commercial Club on the Job—Thirteen Berths for Twenty-six Steamers—Railway Yards Choked.

Bubbling over with enthusiasm and with a desire that St. John should not be discriminated against so far as her terminal facilities are concerned, a large body of representative citizens packed Prince William street near Chubb's corner at noon today to take part in a demonstration at which a committee from the Commercial Club presented to A. P. Barnhill, K.C., a member of the board of directors of the Canadian National Railway, a resolution calling upon the railway board to make provision for adequate facilities to handle the traffic here and protesting against the present conditions which have caused a blockade.

The resolution, which is as published elsewhere in the Times, was read by R. D. Paterson, and Mr. Barnhill spoke briefly in reply.

During the morning "still" pictures were taken of the congested yards and sidings, both on the city side and at Bay Shore. Motion pictures were taken of the demonstration and the harbor.

The crowds started to gather in Prince William street a little before 12 o'clock, and by noon the whole street was blocked with a gathering of representative of business and professional men of the city. Street car traffic was held up for a time. The committee from the Commercial Club, headed by R. D. Paterson, entered Mr. Barnhill's office and invited him to appear before the crowd. His arrival was greeted with cheers, which also marked the reading of the resolution and punctuated Mr. Barnhill's reply. In the meantime the motion picture men were grinding away. A large motor truck of the Consumers Coal Company, drawn up in the background bore a huge canvas sign, reading:

"GIVE US FACILITIES TO HANDLE COAL"

In reply Mr. Barnhill said, "Insofar as the resolution voted against the management of the Canadian National Railway, I assume that the protest was against the former management of the Canadian Government Railways, as the present management is still acting on the appropriations prepared by the previous management.

"At our next meeting the first appropriation prepared under the present management will be submitted and I feel confident, knowing the board and their feeling toward all important points on the system, that St. John will have no cause for complaint when these appropriations are made public so far as matters falling within the authority of the board are concerned.

"It seems to me that the important point to the city of St. John is to impress on the government of Canada that additional terminal facilities should be provided by the government in fulfillment of several promises to the city.

"In the agreement between H. M. The King, the City of St. John and the C. P. R., dated September 12, 1911, and confirmed by an act of the legislative assembly of New Brunswick in 1912, it is provided that, as a condition of the transfer by the City of St. John to H. M. The King of certain large areas on the west side of the harbor, His Majesty would build on these lands such and so many docks or piers as may be necessary for the handling of trade through the port of St. John. The transfer was expressly made as stated in the agreement to enable the provision of increased accommodation for the handling of traffic through the port.

"The board of directors of the Canadian National Railway may decide on certain important works, but the money must come from the Dominion government and the estimates prepared by the board will be subject to revision by the government.

"I may say that the present board has under consideration plans for a new station the plans are well advanced and I understand will be considered at a meeting held next week, and I feel that a large appropriation will, I believe, be recommended for increased yard accommodation in this city. The present yard accommodation is in the United States about 600 acres and there are at the present time upwards of 1,000 cars in the yards and on sidings, and about 400 cars are being held at Moncton.

"The matters referred to in your resolution are matters which I cannot answer personally without reference to the board, but I will present the resolution to the board and I am confident that St. John will receive fair treatment at the hands of its members."

TIGER MAY MAKE CAMPAIGN IN THE UNITED STATES

Paris, Jan. 10.—Premier Clemenceau is said to intend, if he is elected president of the republic, to cross the Atlantic to carry on a "tiger campaign" in behalf of the League of Nations, so says the newspaper L'Evenement.

SAYS LOBSTER BILL WILL DIE

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 10.—A special despatch to the Herald from Boston under date of Jan. 9, states: "Direct advices from Washington today give assurance that the lobster bill in congress will never reach committee stage."

VERY SUCCESSFUL

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 10.—The provincial poultry exhibition which closed here last night was the most successful from the standpoint of number and quality of exhibits ever held under the auspices of the Westmorland County Poultry Association.

LOYD GEORGE IN STARTLING PROPOSAL RE RUSSIA?

Paris Hears That He Will Suggest Negotiations With the Soviet Government—French Have Plan of Their Own.

(Canadian Press Report)

Montreal, Jan. 10.—A Paris cable to the Montreal Gazette says there is a persistent report in the French capital that Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain will make startling proposals in regard to Russia to the Allied conference. This report is said to have come from London. The rumor has it that Lloyd George will suggest that one way to settle the Russian problem would be to negotiate with the Soviets and that he will ask that some one else suggest a better path to take.

SLIPPE OVER BOGUS BILL ON MONCTON MAN

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 10.—Something new in the way of bogus money in this city at least, was discovered by a local business house yesterday. Recently there was passed on a representative of the Moncton house a paper currency purported to be a \$10 Royal Bank of Canada bill, but which proved to be part of a good bill and part of a counterfeit bill. The counterfeit bill was severely conceived, but rather clumsy in make, half of a genuine bill probably joined to a counterfeit half resembling in general outline a genuine bill. The spurious paper was passed on the Moncton man in a North Shore town.

TRY AGAIN TO FLOAT PLATEA

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 10.—Another effort to refloat the Great Steamer Platea which went ashore on Sable Island some weeks ago, is to be made in a few days. Soon after salvaging operations were begun the ship was moved about 100 feet put her back in the old position. Owing to heavy weather the operation was discontinued and the crew are expected to leave on the tug to assist the salvers.

LIQUOR SEIZED IN FREDERICTON

(Special to Times.) Fredericton, Jan. 10.—Liquor Sub-inspector Herbert Saunders Friday afternoon seized at the local office of the Dominion Express two cases of liquor consigned to a residence in King street. The liquor was found in a hotel, and the act could not be traced to the liquor consigned to that place. As he had no residence he used the residence of another as an address, which is illegal.

SUGAR IN HALIFAX

Halifax, Jan. 10.—Discussing the sugar situation, the secretary of the Acadia Sugar Refinery states that owing to the general increase of two and one-half per cent per pound, effective throughout the country at 6 o'clock last night, Acadia will now sell at \$14.50 per cwt, minus the regular six per cent trade discount. Halifax retailers say that they will advance the price of sugar to the consumer two and one-half cents a pound.

FOUND DEAD IN BED

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 10.—Clement Allen, aged about seventy, was found dead in bed at his home in Coal Branch, Kent county, yesterday. His death is supposed to be due to heart failure.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam "what is this I hear about the beavers building dams on the streams in the Settlement?" "Well," said Hiram, "I've found out it's a part of the new water power policy of the government."

"I have heard some people describe the members of the government as working like beavers," said the reporter, "and I have heard others speak about the damn government. But what is the relation between the government and a beaver dam?"

"I ain't haggard it out," said Hiram. "I'm just tellin' you what I hear. I spoke to some of them fellers in Fredricton and they put it down to that city council an' ask 'em to double the grant to the National History Society."

"Of course," said the reporter, "the people in the Settlement will take advantage of the industry of the beavers. We'll put in the wires. When you come out next summer you'll see an 'Hanner doin' everything by 'lectricity."

"But we'll the beavers stay on the job?" queried the reporter.

"That's what's worryin' me," said Hiram. "I've seen 'em round the mill an' when they don't say nothin' at all about hours or wages I'm afraid they'll be chased off the job—yes, sir."

PRINCE CHARLES AND PARENTS HAVE BEEN RECONCILED

Paris, Jan. 10.—Complete reconciliation between Crown Prince Charles of Romania, who entered into a morganatic marriage in 1918, and his parents has been brought about, according to a Paris newspaper, by the marriage of the prince's daughter, Princess Elizabeth, to the son of the late Emperor of Austria, Emperor Charles, who was reported to have been reconciled to his parents soon after the marriage, and when he was forced to separate from his bride, tried to kill himself with a revolver, but only succeeded in putting a bullet through his foot.

TWO TO GO TO GALLOWES; THREE PRISON FOR LIFE

Peterboro, Ont., Jan. 10.—The death sentence in the case of Samuel Zalesky, Philip Robinson and Alexander Martin, who, with Thomas Konek and Michael Bahri, were recently sentenced to hang for the murder of Phillip Yarnoff, in June, has been commuted to life imprisonment. The sentence of death on Konek and Bahri will be carried out.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis.—The disturbance which was south of Lake Erie yesterday has moved eastward to the Atlantic with diminishing intensity and the weather is now fair and cold from Ontario to the maritime provinces. In the western part of the province it has been comparatively mild. A moderate snow fall has occurred in the southern districts of Ontario and Nova Scotia.

Fair and Cold.

Maritime.—Moderate to fresh northerly winds, cold. Sunday, fair and cold. Gulf and North Shore.—Fair and cold today. Sunday, mostly fair and cold. Light local snow.

New England.—Generally fair tonight and Sunday; slightly warmer Sunday, moderate north winds, becoming variable.

Toronto, Jan. 10.—Temperatures:

Table with 3 columns: Station, 8 a.m. yesterday, Highest during night.

*Below zero.

Germans Sign The Peace Treaty Protocol

Preliminary to Ceremony of Exchange of Ratification

Letter From Allies to German Representative Re Scapa Flow Sinking—History of Events Which Led Up to Culmination of Today.

Paris, Jan. 10.—The German peace treaty protocol was signed by Germany's representatives here today, preliminary to the ceremony of exchange of ratifications putting the treaty into effect.

After the exchange of ratifications of the treaty, Premier Clemenceau will hand to Baron von Lersner the following letter:—

Paris, Jan. 10.—Now that the protocol provided for by the note of November 2 has been signed by qualified representatives of the German government, and in consequence the ratifications of the treaty of Versailles have been deposited, the Allied and associated powers wish to renew to the German government their assurance that while necessary reparations for the sinking of the German fleet in Scapa Flow will be exacted, they do not intend to injure the vital economic interest of Germany. On this point, by this letter, they confirm the declarations which the general secretary of the peace conference was charged with making orally to the president of the German delegation on December 23.

London, Jan. 10.—Regret over the abstention of the United States from participating in the ratification of the treaty of Versailles is again expressed in the Chronicle printed in this morning's newspapers.

"America's absence," says the Telegraph, "clouds alike the prospect of the present and the future. It weakens profoundly the moral authority of the League of Nations and consequently the issue of security regarding the immediate future."

The Daily Mail contends: "A new world order, for that matter, Germany or Russia or any considerable fraction of mankind, is excluded, is foredoomed to failure."

Referring, like other journals, to political conflicts in America regarding the league and the Versailles treaty, the Chronicle says: "The position is not very reassuring to Europeans, who are living in a world shattered by war."

Paris, Jan. 10.—The putting of the League of Nations into being, which will be one of the immediate consequences of the exchange of ratifications of the treaty of Versailles, will occur in Paris at 10.30 o'clock on the morning of Friday, Jan. 16. The supreme council will meet at 10.30 o'clock.

Amembassador Wallace called this decision of the council to President Wilson so that the president might issue his formal notice of the meeting of the council of the league, to be held on the date named.

The first meeting of the council will be presided over by Leon Bourgeois, representative of France in the council. Earl Curzon, the British foreign secretary, who will represent Great Britain at the meeting, will speak.

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SEE TREATY NEW CAMPAIGN ISSUE

Glance at the Situation in States in Light of Developments.

ELVEN MILLION ARE DOWN WITH "FLU" IN JAPAN

(Associated Press.) Tokyo, Jan. 10.—Influenza is spreading throughout Japan. There are 11,000,000 cases reported. Of those stricken, 12,000 are soldiers.

BABE RUTH IS PEEVED AGAIN

(Special to Times.) Boston, Jan. 10.—Babe Ruth is peeved again. He is not satisfied with the big money he has pulled from New York despite the fact that he could not have got it if the Red Sox hadn't sold him. Now he finds that his pride has been wounded in that he has been made the "g-at" of the club. Babe has found a serious fact that the club has found a serious fact that he has been dealt by his sale and so he was accused of having tried to pose as the "whole thing." In a despatch to the club president last night he promises to return to Boston soon and produce fireworks. He is just a trifle sore because Frazee would not give him a cent of the purchase money as a bonus, which would have enabled him to work "both ends and the middle."

INTERCOLLEGIATE TRACK MEET BEING PLANNED

Fredricton, Jan. 10.—At a meeting of the Athletic Association of U. N. B. yesterday afternoon it was decided to enter a team in a maritime intercollegiate track meet which will probably be held on May 24.

MAINE CASHIER PUTS END TO LIFE IN BANK

Gardiner, Maine, Jan. 10.—Ernest L. Parsley, fifty-five, treasurer and cashier of the Grand River Savings Institute, committed suicide by inhaling illuminating gas while alone in the counting room of the bank yesterday. His body was found by the assistant cashier.

Thousands Trapped by Blizzard and Are Frozen To Death; Babes Die at Mothers' Breast

Revel, Jan. 10.—Thousands were frozen to death in a blizzard which swept across Ethonia on New Year's day. Reports received here state 300 bodies of refugees were found in a forest between this city and Narva and American Red Cross workers say there were many instances of babies being frozen to death at their mothers' breasts.

A SUBMARINE CHASER READY IF ESCAPE TRIED

Officials Take No Chances With Reds at Deer Island

Rev. Dr. Van Allen of Church of the Advent Out After Americans Who Are Expressing Sympathy for the Aliens.

(Special to Times.) Boston, Jan. 10.—The federal officials are taking no chances with the Reds at Deer Island, but have located a submarine chaser there to prevent any escape.

Six more men who were rounded up by department of justice officials in New England a week ago last night, and who were subsequently sent to Deer Island, were allowed their freedom yesterday after examination by representatives of the immigration commissioner and the department of justice.

The total of prisoners was kept at nearly maximum by the arrival of four new suspects during the day. One of these is a woman who leaves five small children behind her.

While the immigration authorities proceed with their inquiries at the island, the department of justice officials are scrutinizing great quantities of suspicious matter seized in their raids. Much of the follow-up activity in the anti-Red drive rises out of disclosures through the examination of this material.

Rev. Dr. Van Allen, rector of the Church of the Advent and an ardent sympathizer with the allies from the start of the war, rolled up his sleeves in handling the aliens last night, saying "the insane asylum is very much like hell. It has no room for religious freedom."

Some persons say let them talk. Would you say of a mallox patient let him continue to walk around? "We can't afford to allow disease germs to be scattered."

POOL NAVIES OF BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES

London Writer Would Consecrate Them to Service of League of Nations.

London, Jan. 10.—A strong appeal in favor of pooling the British and United States navies and consecrating them to the service of the league of nations, as an instrument for banishing war from the seas, was made in the weekly article of Alfred Gardiner in the Daily News of today.

LORD LEVERHULME IN ST. STEPHEN

(Special to Times.) St. Stephen, N. B., Jan. 10.—Lord Leverhulme of England, head of Lever Bros., soap manufacturers, arrived on the C. P. R. today at noon and is to give a banquet to all the employees of the St. Croix Soap Manufacturing Company at the Queen hotel this afternoon.

COST OF PUBLIC SERVICES NOW THE CHIEF TOPIC

(Special to Times.) Ottawa, Jan. 9.—What the Dominion government shall pay for federal public services in the fiscal year 1920-21 is the chief topic to occupy the attention of the cabinet for some time. Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance, wants expenditure to be confined to \$300,000,000, which is about the expected revenue.

This would entail cutting ordinary expenses to the bone as the interest charges will be about \$140,000,000 and all capital and ordinary expenditures would have to be kept within the remaining \$160,000,000.

Thirty millions dollars of revenue will be lost in dropping the business profits tax, but Sir Henry is said to be contemplating making up the difference on the income tax.

WOULD PERMIT NO LIQUOR IN MANITOBA HOMES

Brandon, Man., Jan. 10.—By an almost unanimous vote the United Farmers adopted a resolution asking the provincial government for a law to make it illegal for residents of Manitoba to possess intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes or to have such liquor on their premises. The resolution in liquor and requested that no license be granted in Manitoba for liquor warehouses.

CANDY DEARER AS SUGAR CLIMBS

Fredricton, N. B., Jan. 10.—The advance of 2 1/2 cents a pound in sugar prices has already been reflected in prices of standard brands of fine candies which will soon be sold at a pound said local dealers today. Follow-

flour the wholesale prices on all candies have advanced from two to ten cents.

Also, the cheaper brands going up one cent, the cheaper brands going up one cent, are showing great advances. Retailers are now giving 6 1/2 pounds of sugar for a dollar here.