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Turks Quit Conference Hall; Protest Allied Stand On Behalf of Armenians

HANNA'S ORDER INTO DISCARD Sir Henry Thornton Removes the Ban

C. N. R. Employes May Accept Public Elective Positions—Meets Representatives of 97,000 at Conference in Ottawa.

(Canadian Press.) Ottawa, Jan. 6.—The "Hanna order," which debarred employes of the Canadian National Railways from accepting public elective positions, has been rescinded. Yesterday afternoon at an informal conference of chairmen and general chairmen of standard railway organizations, employed on the C. N. R., with members of the executive, Sir Henry Thornton announced the removal of the order. He said that he had recognized that the order should be carefully reviewed. This had been done and he informed the representatives of the employes that he had decided to remove the order so far as the executive of the C. N. R. was concerned. The conference was arranged by Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress and representative of labor on the board of directors of the C. N. R. There were present representatives of 97,000 employes spread over the Canadian system. Mr. Moore called after the meeting that Sir Henry Thornton had outlined his policy with regard to the operation of the system, and his attitude and that of his associates towards labor. The representatives of the men made suggestions, and assured the president that he could depend upon the whole-hearted support of the employes. Mr. Moore said that the announcement in regard to the "Hanna order" had been received with enthusiasm by the employes' representatives. Various speakers representing the shop crafts, transportation organizations and general staff said that they were impressed with Sir Henry Thornton's fair attitude toward labor. Attention was drawn by these speakers to the present dissatisfaction of the president that he would resist political interference in the operation of the railways. It was said that labor organizations in the past had fought against political patronage and interference on the old I. C. R. during government management. Organized workers could be depended upon by Sir Henry for every support in carrying out the pledge that no political interference would be allowed.

OCTOBER WAS GOOD MONTH FOR THE RAILWAYS

The C. N. R. Carried More Freight Than in Any Month in its History.

Ottawa, Jan. 6.—(Canadian Press.)—An increase of more than 107 per cent in net operating revenues earned by the Canadian National Railways during October, 1922, over October, 1921, is shown in tables made public last evening. The statistics covering the operations on the Grand Trunk Railway are not included, although this part of the government system showed a six per cent increase in revenues over October, 1921. The net operating revenues of the C. N. R., exclusive of the Grand Trunk, during October, 1922, totalled \$2,158,748, as compared with \$1,038,921 in October, 1921. At the same time the operating ratio, which is the amount spent by the railway to earn a dollar, dropped from 91.92 to 84.63. The C. N. R. in October carried the largest volume of freight ever moved over the system. The large grain crop, with the long haul from the western provinces to the elevators, was the chief factor, but heavy movements of coal, lumber and other materials also helped. The C. P. R. also made a record in revenue ton miles during October and showed the lowest operating ratio in the last three years. Revenue ton miles aggregated 2,126,879,127, an increase of 85.6 per cent over October, 1921. Freight revenues increased \$729,375, or 83 per cent, over those of October, 1921.

ANONYMOUS DONOR GIVES BATES \$40,000

Lewiston, Me., Jan. 6.—At the opening of the winter term of Bates College, President Clifton D. Gray announced an anonymous gift of \$40,000 to the Bates million dollar endowment and gymnasium fund. Including the \$200,000 conditionally promised by the general education board, this brings the fund total to \$550,000.

TWENTY-TWO DEATHS IN BRIDGE COLLAPSE Kelso, Wn., Jan. 6.—The missing in the Coville River bridge disaster number twenty. Known dead number two, some six years.

SENSATIONAL INCIDENT AT LAUSANNE MEETING TODAY

Turkish Representative Makes Grave Allegation When Humanity Plea is Made and Then Stalks Dramatically Out of the Conference Room.

(Canadian Press.) Lausanne, Jan. 6.—The Turkish delegation to the Near East conference left the meeting hall today as a protest against the allied insistence upon the establishment of an Armenian national home. The U. S. delegation took no part in the debate today. Conference circles were seething with excitement after the incident and wondering whether it forecasted further affairs of the sort calculated to disturb or not disrupt the entire conference. It was pointed out, in any event, as indicating that affairs were reaching a crisis.

ASK HANMEL TO RESIGN SEAT Farmers' Executive Criticize M. P. Who Moved to Liberal Side of House.

Bracebridge, Ont., Jan. 6.—At a meeting of the executive of the Muskoka U. F. O., yesterday, W. J. Hamell was called upon to resign his seat as member of Parliament for this district. He was roundly criticized for his recent announcement that he had decided to support the Liberal administration.

BANGOR KIDDIES WERE IN DANGER Gas Overcomes Pupils and They are Carried Out by Teacher.

Bangor, Me., Jan. 6.—Thirty-seven small children in a school room of the Cottage street school narrowly escaped asphyxiation by coal gas from the furnace, which escaped by the chimney being obstructed and came up through the hot air register into the room. Many of the children had to be carried into the open air. After the gas was taken to their homes. The teacher, Miss Withe, displayed great courage in rescuing the children. When she had dragged the last one from the building she was on the point of collapse.

SCHOONERS WITH LIQUOR CARGOES Boston, Jan. 6.—Awaiting favorable conditions, the British schooner Acadia of Lunenburg, anchored in the lower harbor with 500 cases of Scotch below deck, is ready to depart for St. Pierre, Miq. Last August the schooner was seized off Gloucester by the coast guard cutter Tampa, Capt. Wheeler, on suspicion of being a rum runner. Her papers indicated that she was bound from St. Pierre for Nassau, but it was necessary for those interested in the craft and lading to show why she was on this coast. Recently the schooner and cargo were released as having been taken outside the three-mile limit. The liquor, which was in custody of the appraisers' stores, was released a few days ago.

BATTLE FOR A TOWN NEAR CORK Irregulars Make Attack and There are Casualties—Bank Escort Ambushed.

Dublin, Jan. 6.—Irregulars carried out an attack in Millstreet, an important National centre of Cork county last night. Reports of details differ. One says the town was captured, another that outlying points were captured, but that the garrison defending the town itself repulsed the attack after seven hours fighting. A National sergeant-major was killed and five of the National forces were wounded. It is said the irregulars suffered several casualties. Five National soldiers acting as escort to officials conveying money from a bank were ambushed in Waterford yesterday. One of the soldiers was killed and two were wounded.

TO BERMUDA ON FINANCIAL MISSION FOR SALVATION ARMY Moncton, N. B., Jan. 6.—Commandant H. A. Hurd of the Salvation Army will leave for Bermuda on Monday to organize a campaign to raise \$13,000 for army property. He recently completed a financial campaign in Newfoundland, securing about \$15,000 in cash and pledges for a new maternity hospital. He has been financial representative in the Maritime Provinces for some six years.

FREDERICTON NEWS (Special to The Times) Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 6.—The York municipal council, this morning decided to remain in the Union of New Brunswick municipalities. The council decided that receipt forms sent out from the secretary treasurer's office should have stamps affixed, the receipts of the money thus paying the tax indirectly. John Shanks, charged with a serious offense against a girl aged thirteen years, is to come before Judge Slipp of the York County Court on Monday morning, under speedy trials. Abner F. Herron of McAdam, died this morning. He was for some years assistant car-fareman for the C. P. R. at McAdam. Three sons survive, Clarence, Clifford and Douglas of McAdam and three daughters, Amy and Beatrice of McAdam and Dorothy of Fredericton.

TUG SINKS WITH TWO MEN; 1,000 CASES WHISKEY New York, Jan. 6.—Caught in the storm, a sea going tug of the rum-running flotilla sank off Ambrose Lightship on Tuesday night with two of the crew of three and 1,000 cases of whiskey. The dry navy reported this yesterday.

THE NEW BRITISH PREMIER AND HIS TASK



As Hiram Sees It

"Well, sir," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "Me an' Hanner had a good laugh an' a talk about old times las' night. I got a copy of Breyer's Almanack down to the store an' Hanner read the jokes to me just like we used to do with Ayer's Almanack forty or fifty year ago. We read about the eclipses of the sun an' moon, an' run over some o' the historical events an' the church calendar—an' about burns an' scalds an' things like that—an' about the patent medicines an' how to keep well—say, it was great. I mind when the Bible an' the almanack was about the only readin' we had—outside of Morse's Juggerty an' the spellin' book. When I pass one o' them there shoe-shine places an' see the papers an' magazines the folks hes to pick from now I sometimes wonder if they git any more reel good o' readin' so many than we did o' just a few that we had lots of time to digest. Well—they can't wear me away from the old Almanack, anyway—By Hen!"

Mrs. Stillman Is Asking For \$120,000 a Year Record-Breaking Alimony is Sought—Says \$50,000 She Now Receives is Not Enough.

New York, Jan. 6.—(Canadian Press.) Mrs. Anne U. Stillman has applied to the courts for the record-breaking alimony of \$120,000 a year, pending James A. Stillman's appeal of her victory award and Guy's vindication. She alleges that Stillman's gifts to Flo Leeds, a chorus girl co-respondent in the suit, total about \$800,000. According to the attorneys for Mrs. Stillman her alimony of \$50,000 mended with the report of the referee's findings, and since that date Mr. Stillman has voluntarily paid her at the rate of \$50,000 a year. This sum, Mrs. Stillman says, is insufficient to support her and the children, Anne, James, Alexander and Guy.

Women Quaffed Beer as They Bowled Match Prohibition Agents Fine Pipe Line From Barroom to Alleys in New York.

New York, Jan. 6.—Prohibition agents announced today that they had found a real beer pipe line leading from a barroom to the bowling alleys of the Yorkville Women's Bowling Club yesterday and that when they raided both places they were threatened with pins and balls by forty irate bowlers. The women, according to the agents, were having a good time bowling and quaffing beer. The owner of the hall and the bartender were arrested, charged with violating the Volstead Act.

FITTLE TO LOOK FOR REPEAL OF PROHIBITION President Harding's Reply to New York Women's Club is Hissed.

New York, Jan. 6.—Members of the Molly Pitcher Club, some of them prominent society and club women, indulged in a period of hissing when it was announced at a club luncheon that President Harding had declined to meet a delegation named to lay before him the club's arguments for repeal of the prohibition amendment. The storm burst when Ransom H. Gillett, counsel for the New York division of the association, opposed to the prohibition amendment, read excerpts from a letter from the President. The club thwarted the President's desire to avoid "controversial publicity" by the particular. First, it must be a part of his letter. Second, it gave out in advance even of its receipt by the President—a newly adopted resolution, arguing against the validity of his objections to the interview and renewing the request that the delegation be received. The resolution also reminded the President that he had recently received a church delegation "to discuss prohibition."

GUARD IN BROOKLYN CEMETERY Pending Inquiry Into a Strange Story.

New York, Jan. 6.—The grave of James Jones, a seaman, in the national cemetery in Cypress Hills, Brooklyn was watched yesterday, pending a formal application to the courts by Wm. B. Williams, special agent of the treasury department, for permission to open the coffin to see if any part of the Russian crown jewels had been secreted there. The jewels, according to a copyrighted story by the Chicago Daily News, had been smuggled into the United States in September, 1920, by the officer of Jones, who died on the transport Edlyna at Gibraltar on August 30, 1920, while the ship was on her way from Vladivostok to New York. A sale of part of the gems had been arranged for in 1919 by a New York firm, according to the story and three men, after a dispute with German and Czech-Slovak officers, finally obtained them. On the way back to this country, the story goes, one of the triple-crossed companions, said placed the jewels, in seven packages, in Jones' coffin.

TOM MOORE IN DEFENCE OF THE LABOR MINISTER Ottawa, Jan. 6.—That the interests of labor had suffered in the past and would do so in the future from indiscriminate censoring of individuals without justification, and personal attacks of a wild nature was the statement of President Tom Moore of the Dominion Trades Congress to the Ottawa branch of the Trades and Labor Council last night. There had been some criticism of the Minister of Labor for alleged lack of sympathy with the labor union viewpoint on some issues, said Mr. Moore, and he wished to protest against the active trade union work because they have not thought it wisdom to do so.

RECEPTION FOR HON. W. S. FIELDING AND DAUGHTER IN LONDON London, Jan. 6.—(Canadian Press.) Hon. W. S. Fielding and his daughter were tendered a reception here yesterday by John Howard, agent general of Nova Scotia, and Mrs. Howard, at the British Empire Club. The refreshments were confined solely to products of the British Empire.

ALBERTA FIXES MINIMUM OF WOMEN'S WAGES Edmonton, Jan. 6.—The Alberta government has adopted the recommendations of the minimum wage board and \$15 weekly will be the minimum wage for women industrial workers, effective after April 1 next.

France Hopes To Win Britain To Her Reparations Plan

Occupation of Essen and Bochum Part of the Project

Customs Cordon Around the Ruhr District, but Belief is That Action Will be in Easy Stages—British Public Looking to Washington.

(Canadian Press.) Paris, Jan. 6.—France is proceeding quietly but firmly on a programme of action which she herself is convinced, and which she believes she will be able to persuade others, is the only right course and the reparations question is to be settled once for all.

"A person in government circles particularly well placed to speak authoritatively," is quoted by the Echo de Paris as believing that the neutrality of Great Britain will be transformed to co-operation if the French plan proves successful. The same personage cherishes a hope of converting United States opinion. It is understood that the French favors a semi-military plan which is divided into two parts, the first comprising the occupation of Essen, where the Krupp works are located, and the establishment of a customs cordon around the Ruhr, together with the posting of receivers for the mines and the transportation companies.

M. Poincaré's ambitious disagreement with Bonar Law, and knowledge that the U. S. may yet take a hand in affairs, will, it is believed, make M. Poincaré see not impressed and as the moves, beginning mildly with limited action and increasing its scope if the German are not impressed and as the efficacy of the movement is demonstrated. This also would make it easy for Great Britain and the U. S. to prepare some substitute plan before the French movement was fully developed.

EYES TURNED TO WASHINGTON London, Jan. 6.—The arguments with which the British public is keeping an eye on the ground to catch the first whisper of possible action by the U. S. that may help to disperse the European clouds is evoked today in the morning newspapers, all of which prominently display despatches from Washington and New York dealing with the attitude of the Harding administration. Most of the papers also comment editorially on the U. S. angle of the situation.

There is no question but that U. S. co-operation in some form is earnestly desired. There is, however, great restraint in the press comment and little inclination to speculate on a course for the U. S. to take.

The Daily Telegraph goes so far as to say: "The likelihood of American diplomatic intervention has now hardened into a practical certainty. The form it may take is not to be anticipated but there is at least a possibility that it will provide a way out of the situation."

The other commentaries are less certain. Most of them are content either to ask whether the U. S. will now act or to express the hope that she will. The Daily Chronicle says: "The road is now open for the Government of the U. S. to intervene if it sees fit, but we discredit all reports that Great Britain has asked her to intervene. We should only embarrass President Harding and Secretary Hughes if we made any action which they took appear to have been taken at our instance."

Give Germany Hearing. Paris, Jan. 6.—Germany will be given a hearing by the reparations commission before any action is taken in the French proposal to have Germany declared in default on coal deliveries, so the reparations commission decided today.

Aviators Active. Berlin, Jan. 6.—Great activity on the part of French aviators is reported from Mannheim, where the airman are said to be crossing over the neutral zone. Their planes are reported to have been over the city for a considerable time last night.

Germany to Default. Berlin, Jan. 6.—The German Government yesterday admitted its inability to meet the payment of 600,000,000 gold marks which is due January 15, in accordance with the London reparations schedule, as it naturally aimed that the whole question of reparations would be subjected to overhauling after the German payment of treasury bonds to Belgium.

When the brief moratorium was granted to Germany, the Government announced, it was believed the reparations commission would be in a position to devise a new schedule which would become effective with the New Year.

Berlin was asked to send experts so that they can be heard by the commission next Monday. Sir John Bradbury, the British member, attended the session. There was no discussion of the merits of the case. The Germans are entitled under the treaty of Versailles to present their arguments and Louis Barthou of France, the proponent of the default measure, offered no objection to granting the hearing.

EXAMS COMPLETED The examinations for chartered accountants, were completed yesterday. The results will not be known for a few days yet. The examiners were Adam P. Macintyre, Arthur Cox and P. F. Blanchard.

Dr. C. D. McGilvray, principal of the Ontario Veterinary College at Guelph, an important affiliation of the University of Toronto and which also has the patronage of the Provincial Government. New college buildings were opened last month.

SEE RICKARD ABOUT BOUTS FOR DEMPSEY

Manager Leaving the West for New York

Tilden Shows Loss of Part of Finger Did Not Affect His Sporting Events in Maritime Provinces

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—Jack Kearns, manager of Jack Dempsey, plans to leave for New York tomorrow night to meet Tex Rickard in regard to bouts. Fights under consideration include one between Dempsey and Harry Wills, and one between Dempsey and either Bill Brennan, Jess Willard, Joe Beckett or Tom Gibbons. Dempsey also expects to go to New York soon.

Garfield A. Wood of Detroit, who had planned to attempt to break the international mile record for dual motored speed boats, today, with the Miss America I, has decided to postpone the speed trials until tomorrow.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Loss of part of a finger did not interfere with the playing ability of William Tilden, world's tennis champion. Tilden last night defeated Francis Hunter of New York astonishing all with the snap and grip of his game. Tilden won two of three sets, the scores being 3-6, 7-5 and 6-4.

Maritime Province Sport. Summerside, P. E. I., Jan. 6.—Tf hockey match scheduled to be played here last night between the Abegweit of Charlottetown and the Summerside team was postponed because of ice conditions.

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 6.—In the B. and P. E. I. League fixture in St. John's, N. S., Jan. 6.—The Scotmen are playing Sydney curlers at New Glasgow and North Sydney at Sullistown here forenoon. This afternoon Antigonish will play the Scotmen in New Glasgow, and Canis will play them this evening.

SAYS DANGER OF SOFT COAL STRIKE IS VERY SLIGHT Washington, Jan. 6.—Practically all danger of another coal strike in the United States has been removed. This of 1913 year has now passed, in the opinion of the federal coal commission. Though operators and miners failed during the last two months and contact with the spokesmen for both employers and employes, is confident that satisfactory working arrangements will be agreed upon.

WEATHER REPORT Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. A. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

Snow. New England—Snow this afternoon and tonight, cold wave tonight, Sunday fair and colder, increasing east to north winds. Toronto, Jan. 6.—Temperatures:—Highest during yesterday night

Stations 8 a.m. yesterday night

Princeton 42 48

Victoria 48 32

Kamloops 34 4

Calgary 48 4

Edmonton 48 4

Prince Albert 2 4 24

Winnipeg 10 20 26

Sault Ste Marie 12 18 12

Toronto 10 14 9

Kingston 0 32 0

Ottawa 6 20 6

Montreal 0 20 0

Quebec 0 21 0

St. John, N. B. 14 20 10

Halifax 10 28 14

St. Johns, Nfld. 20 30 16

Detroit 10 32 16

New York 40 38 32

*Below zero.