

## REFERRING OF SILESIAN QUESTION TO THE LEAGUE BREAKS ALLIED DEADLOCK

Premiers of Great Britain and France Reach Decision That Virtually Ends Crisis That Has Arisen Between the Two Countries—Briand's Suggestion That United States Be Allowed To Arbitrate Differences Fails To Gain Approval of Lloyd George.

Paris, Aug. 12.—France and Great Britain have decided to refer the Silesian question to the league of nations, it was announced here today. This question, which involves drawing a frontier between Poland and Germany in Upper Silesia, threatened yesterday to bring about a break in the meeting of the supreme Allied council.

This decision was considered here today to have solved the crisis that arose between France and Great Britain. The announcement said that "certain insurmountable difficulties which had arisen between Italy, Japan and Great Britain on one hand and France on the other" had given rise to the solution decided upon.

It was understood the supreme council would continue its agenda, especially the discussion of relief to Russia, during the absence of Mr. Lloyd George.

The suggestion that the matter be referred to the league was made by Mr. Lloyd George, and M. Briand concurred immediately.

M. Briand wore a satisfied air upon leaving the Hotel Crillon, and confirmed reports that a settlement had been reached.

It was learned that Premier Briand proposed to Mr. Lloyd George this morning that the United States be asked to arbitrate the Silesian controversy, but this proposal was abandoned.

It was stated during the forenoon that Lord Curzon, British secretary of state for foreign affairs, would leave Paris for London tomorrow with the remainder of the delegation left behind in the city by Mr. Lloyd George today. Fifteen.

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## DE VALERA NOTE NOT EXPECTED TO LEAD TO A BREAK

Message From Irish Republican Leader Is of Indefinite Character.

BASIS NOT YET FOUND

Letter to Lloyd George Is Neither One of Acceptance nor Rejection.

Dublin, Aug. 12.—The letter from Eamon de Valera delivered to Mr. Lloyd George yesterday is neither an acceptance nor a rejection of the Irish peace proposals, it was learned here today.

The letter raises various questions to which an answer is necessary. The answer may serve to facilitate future dealings, it is said, and is not expected to lead to a break in negotiations.

There was no excitement in Dublin today over Mr. Lloyd George's return from Paris, as it was said that no unexpected developments had occurred in the Irish discussions. When Mr. de Valera left London, it was recalled today, the statement was given out that a basis had not been found for further conferences, and it was stated in Sinn Féin circles that the time since Mr. de Valera's conversations with the British prime minister merely had been spent in trying to find this basis. It has not been found it was added.

It was pointed out here today that Premier Lloyd George and Mr. de Valera had agreed that the strictest secrecy should be maintained. Sinn Féin leaders have observed this agreement, it was claimed.

Frank P. Walsh, legal adviser to Mr. de Valera, visited the Mansion House this morning, and saw a number of Irish leaders. He said his visit had no political significance.

Lord Fitzalan, governor-general of Ireland, and General Macready, British commander in Ireland, have been summoned to London.

WILD RUMORS DISCREDITED.

London, Aug. 12.—Rumors that the reply of Eamon de Valera to the Irish republican leader, to the British government's Irish peace proposals, which was received here yesterday, had produced a serious crisis in the Irish situation, were generally discredited here today.

Premier Lloyd George intended to leave Paris this forenoon for London, and yesterday's rather alarming reports were given credit for a time, but the attitude taken by the British cabinet today was that although the terms of the Irish missive still were unknown, negotiations between the government and the Irish republicans would continue under favorable conditions. In well-informed quarters belief was expressed that Mr. de Valera's message reflected.

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## GRADUAL DECLINE IN COST OF LIVING IN DOMINION

Ottawa, Aug. 12.—A further slight drop in the cost of living during July is shown by the figures of the labor department for the month of July. Eggs, evaporated apples and prunes were reported higher, as also were rents. The chief decreases during the month were in beef (rib roast), lard, cheese and sugar. In prices, says the report, the movement continued downward. The chief decreases in wholesale prices appeared in cattle and beef, fresh fish, sugar and molasses, and in metals. Quite marked recoveries occurred, however, in hay, hogs and hog products, cheese, butter and eggs, and in raw furs. In grains, wheat and oats were down, while corn, barley and flaxseed advanced slightly.

In miscellaneous foods, beans, oranges, canned vegetables and breadstuffs were lower, but the rest of the group remained steady. In textiles, cottons were slightly higher, while silks showed a small decline.

The total family budget of foods, fuel, lighting and rent cost \$21.55 in July, 1915; \$26.92 in July, 1920, and \$14.17 in July, 1921.

## OTTAWA GIVES REAL WELCOME TO LORD BYNG

Thousands Line Streets and Cheer Governor-General On His Arrival.

### VETERANS FORM A GUARD

Citizens of Capital Turn Out En Masse To Greet the Vice-Regal Party.

Ottawa, Aug. 12.—(Canadian Press).—Clouded skies and a threat of showers failed to keep Ottawa people from the streets and from Parliament Hill this afternoon on the occasion of the arrival of the new governor-general, Lord Byng of Vimy. Every foot of space along the route of march from Central Station to Parliament Hill was occupied by people anxious for first glimpse of the new governor-general and Her Excellency Lady Byng, and cheers burst forth all along the route as the vice-regal carriage, preceded by a mounted guard of honor, came within sight. At the station the new governor-general was welcomed officially by the prime minister, Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, and other members of the cabinet, and his excellency made a speech in reply, expressing his pleasure at the kind welcome which had been given him by the Canadian people and their representatives everywhere since he landed on Canadian soil. The guard of honor, composed of members of the Governor-General's Foot Guards, was drawn up in the station. Military bands and military, naval and air force uniforms added to the color scheme on the reception as the vice-regal special drew in, and its arrival was announced by the booming of a battery of guns stationed near the station.

Made It Double Welcome.

Ottawa, Aug. 12.—The occasion of a half-holiday had been declared in the city service, and practically all the citizens of Ottawa were free for the afternoon to see the proceedings at one point or another. At Parliament Hill the reception of the civic authorities and the new governor-general was welcomed by Mayor Plant and other members of the city council, and here again he spoke briefly, expressing his pleasure at coming to Ottawa and his confidence that the good feelings between himself and Canadians would be augmented as the new governor-general went into his representative of the crown in Canada.

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## THE FIRST DEGREE



Girl Guides enjoyed the amenities of camp life at the Anglican Young People's Camp at Bayfield as fully as their brothers the Boy Scouts. The picture shows a Girl Guide being initiated on arrival at the camp by the departing troop of Boy Scouts.

## Ethiopian Prince and Priest of Coptic Church Tells Interesting Story

Rev. Father W. S. J. Challaughleize Visiting in London—Speaks English and Latin Fluently—At Home Anywhere Under the British Flag—Likes Canada Very Much.

Unheralded, an African prince arrived in London Thursday in the person of Rev. Father W. S. J. Challaughleize, F.R.S.S., D.D., Ph.D., priest of the Coptic Church of East Africa and prince of the royal house of Ethiopia, who is conducting a lecture tour of Canada and the United States in the interest of education for his countrymen. He lectures on general racial subjects and the achievements of the Ethiopian race, and will address a meeting in the Beth-Manuel Church on Grey street this evening.

The prince, who is of commanding stature, speaks the English language fluently, and is also very proficient in Latin. He is 54 years of age.

BORN IN ABYSSINIA.

Interviewed by The Advertiser Thursday, he stated that he was born and reared in Abyssinia, the birthplace of his parents. He received his education at the University of Alexandria, at the University of Abyssinia and at the Anglican mission branch of Cambridge University, situated at Niabara, Africa. Following graduation from these institutions, he preached in Abyssinia in his native tongue, and has been in this country for three months.

"I like Canada fine," he informed the reporter, adding that his family remained in Africa while he started out on his tour. He will proceed from here to Windsor, and will later tour the United States to organize a soliciting board to build a school at Uganda to teach the heathen Christianity. A return to Ethiopia will be made in March, 1922.

Son of King John.

Asked to trace his royal lineage, Prince Challaughleize said: "My father was King Johnas, known to the British as King John, who died in 1892. He succeeded King Theodore as ruler of Abyssinia. Originally my father ruled only the province of Tigres, but in 1889, when King Theodore died, Menelik, his son, was not of age, and he acted as regent until King Menelik attained his majority."

"Prior to his death King Theodore had attempted to subdue my father as Emperor of Tigres. The kingdom of Abyssinia is composed of four provinces, Tigres, Gofam, Galland and Shoa. After he became of age, Menelik reigned until 1913, to be succeeded by his grandson, who was king from 1914 to 1916. In 1917 Queen Czeddile was appointed and is now in power."

"I am a member of the provincial house of Ethiopia, and my brothers now act as advisers to Queen Czeddile. One of my brothers is provincial ruler of Tigres at the present time. Abyssinia is the only original part of Ethiopia in existence and is now very small. Ethiopia included at one time the whole east coast of Africa, but since A. D. 240 has lost a lot of its original ground. It is independent, but is under British protection."

Prohibition in Effect.

"How about your country, is it wet or dry?" asked the scribe, as he swallowed hard and recalled memories. "We have prohibition in our country," he replied. "At one time there was an abundance of gin, rum and imported whiskey, but this was stopped in 1913."

Retirement of Gen. Navarro Not Expected To Affect Situation.

London, Aug. 12.—An official telegram from Madrid, dated last midnight and received at the Spanish embassy here today, reported that all was quiet at Melilla and in neighboring re-occupied territory, the security of which is regarded as assured. Preparations for a Spanish advance against the Moors, the message said, are being continued, and the retirement of the forces of General Navarro from Mount Arruit has not altered the military program in any way.

## GIRL GUIDES AT BAYFIELD



This picture of the St. John The Evangelist Church troop of Girl Guides was taken at Bayfield, where an Anglican young people's camp has been successfully maintained this summer, the Boy Scout and Girl Guide troops occupying it consecutively. The young lady at the left of the group, Miss M. E. Price, was in command of the troop.

## SPECIAL POLICE FORCE IS PLAN UNDER REVIEW

Premier Drury Considering a Scheme To Properly Protect Country Districts.

### DELIBERATE PERSECUTION

Hon. F. C. Biggs' Opinion of County Police Speed Traps For Motorists.

"It is a deliberate persecution of the public and must be stopped," Hon. Frank C. Biggs, minister of highways, commented to The Advertiser late Thursday night while discussing briefly the alleged "trapping" activities by Middlesex constables.

"We have received numerous complaints of such tactics in your county," advised the minister, "and the matter is receiving attention. There is one feature of this entire affair that has been radically wrong from the start and that is the fee system. We advance with the times, and this system is ridiculous. Whatever changes are made, and we are contemplating such, you may rest assured that any of our new appointees will be paid straight salaries. There will be no fees to induce this sort of thing and receipts from fines will go to maintain the road itself."

Better Policing.

Both Premier Drury and Mr. Biggs intimated that they have had under consideration for some little time a proposal toward more effective policing of the provincial highways and county roads. "With the standard of the roads," explained Mr. Biggs, "becoming higher all the time, the speeding has in some localities especially become such that drastic action must be taken soon. The department has received numerous complaints from certain districts where motorists, taking advantage of our good highways, think nothing of 60 and 70 miles an hour. Your county has been reported somewhat unfavorably, but is not nearly as bad in that respect as, however, as a point just east of Ingersoll and another stretch or two down Hamilton and Toronto way."

Must Be Handled Soon.

"This sort of thing must be handled soon. First it is exceedingly dangerous and secondly it is decidedly expensive in the finish to the province. Damage to the highways ultimately by such usage would be no small figure. We have a small force from my department out through the counties most of the time, but they are inadequate."

The premier is giving the general situation considerable thought, he intimated, but has not yet definitely decided upon what course the department will pursue in co-operation with the attorney-general's department. However, the premier seems determined that the run-runners and those who commit acts of violence shall be included, as well as speedsters, under his proposed change.

Special Force.

One suggestion now receiving favorable attention by the premier is for a force of say 150 officers equally distributed about the province in such a manner that they would be always being sounded in any one particular county after a hold-up for instance, seven or eight counties can speedily concentrate on the task of running down the culprit.

"We would need young fellows for this," explained Mr. Drury. "For instance, a bunch of physically fit, returned soldiers would be ideal, as dare-devil young fellows who would not think twice about going right after these fellows."

Inspected Roads.

Leaving London early Thursday morning by motor for Goderich, Premier Drury and Hon. Mr. Biggs stopped along the route and inspected certain roads already completely closed to traffic, as they inspected work being undertaken between Clinton and Stratford. Both expressed themselves well pleased with the results. "Secondly," said the premier's unqualified opinion of the London highway from the city to Clinton. "This road would be hard to beat in the province," he commented.

HUGE CANDLE AS MEMORIAL TO FAMOUS SINGER

New York, Aug. 12.—An 18-foot candle that can be burned on every All Souls Day for 5,000 years, is being made here as a memorial to Enrico Caruso from the inmates of an orphan home to which the great tenor had contributed \$10,000 a year for many years. It will be placed in the Church of the Madonna di Pompei at Naples.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 78; lowest, 65.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 67; lowest, 62.

BAROMETRIC STANDING.

Thursday—5 a.m., 29.29; 8 p.m., 29.27. Today—8 a.m., 29.35.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND WARM.

Forecasts.

Today—Moderate northwest winds; clearing; cooler tonight.

Saturday—Light to moderate winds; fair and moderately warm.

Temperatures.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations. High. Low. Weather.

Victoria. 60. 50. Clear.

Calgary. 60. 45. Cloudy.

Winnipeg. 60. 45. Clear.

Port Arthur. 60. 45. Fair.

Parry Sound. 60. 52. Cloudy.

Toronto. 60. 62. Cloudy.

Kingston. 70. 64. Cloudy.

Ottawa. 74. 68. Cloudy.

Montreal. 76. 58. Rain.

Quebec. 76. 54. Cloudy.

Father Point. 64. 45. Rain.

S. John. 62. 54. Foggy.

Halifax. 75. 45. Cloudy.

## NEW SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT ABSOLUTE NEED DECLARES CITY ENGINEER

Sourdoughs Are Preparing For Yukon's Birthday

### Present Plant On the Pipe Line Road Inadequate — New System Would Cost Quarter To Half a Million Dollars.

Dawson, Y. T., Aug. 12.—The sourdoughs are gathering from far and near to celebrate the Yukon's 25th birthday. August 17 is the anniversary of the discovery of gold in the Klondike 25 years ago, and hundreds of pioneers of these first days will join with more recent citizens of the territory in a monster parade and sourdough banquet to be held here next Wednesday. Nothing but Yukon products will be served at the banquet, and the prospective menu is excellent.

Plans are being prepared for a new sewage treatment plant to be constructed on the sewage farm site, west of the city on the Pipe Line road, to replace the present plant, which is inadequate to handle the city sewage. City Engineer E. A. Brazier announced today. He estimated that the cost of the new plant will be between one-quarter and one-half million dollars, and informed The Advertiser that its construction is absolutely necessary.

However, it will not be commenced until 1922, and must first be authorized by the city council. This latter action will be attained, he feels, is the opinion of the city engineer, who states that if the plant is not constructed a serious situation will result.

"The new plant will be located on the site of the present sewage disposal works," Mr. Brazier informed The Advertiser, "and the old plant will be after we take steps to handle the sewage pending completion of the new plant. The present works is highly inadequate, and is becoming obsolete. The septic tanks were installed in 1908, and I do not know when the other equipment was placed there."

"The new plant will be installed according to latest methods and will be the same as the present one. It will possess open tanks, with a continuous flow of water under pressure. It will be absolutely modern."

Serious Situation.

"What if the council refuses to authorize a half million dollar expenditure?" he was asked.

"Well, if they don't the city will be up against it for sewage disposal. The London West sanitary sewage will be pumped into the present works, which are now inadequate and a serious situation may ensue. London East is taken care of by the Egerton street disposal plant. I cannot see how this work can be held up, after the necessity for the new plant has been explained."

"We are preparing the plans for the new plant, in readiness to submit them to the city council in the near future."

Postal Clerks May Appeal to Hon. W. J. Roche

Position of Deputy Postmaster in London Still Unfilled.

That a personal representation should be made to Hon. W. J. Roche, chairman of the civil service commission at Ottawa, with reference to the pending appointment of a deputy postmaster in the local office, was the opinion expressed today by a representative of the civil servants' association. The latter considers at this moment that the time for such action is drawing near, and intimates that the matter will likely have attention in the near future.

Although it was understood that the Griffiths combine recommended the elimination of the position of deputy postmaster where feasible, a number of instances have been recently noted, including large offices, where deputies have been appointed. London to date is a notable exception, and it is just a question as to whether the civil service choice, the incoming postmaster's choice, and the association's choice, the first contestant was withdrawn, but since then the race seemingly has been called off.

"It means now," advised one of the men's representatives today, "that we shall have to send a delegate down to see Dr. Roche himself. A written communication from the association would be of little avail, likely. They would pay scant attention to that."

Three Possibilities.

When the position was first declared vacant there were three possibilities in the field: the pending postmaster's choice, the incoming postmaster's choice, and the association's choice. Later the first contestant was withdrawn, but since then the race seemingly has been called off.

"I don't suppose it would," admitted Inspector Piper, who refused to discuss his own report, explaining that he had no facts regarding it to give out until the special meeting of the housing commission next week.

Father of U. S. President Weds His Stenographer

Marion, Aug. 12.—It was learned this morning that Dr. George T. Harding, father of President Harding, and Miss Alice Severns, his stenographer, who were married yesterday at Monroe, Mich., first went to Windsor, Ont., with the object of having the ceremony performed in that city, but failed to get a licence because they were not residents of Canada.

Scores of surprised townsfolk today personally tendered best wishes to the venerable physician and his bride, both of whom are well known to the majority of Marion residents.

Efforts to keep the marriage a secret were to no avail, although not until the couple reached Marion last night—six hours after Rev. Frank T. Knowles, a Presbyterian minister, had pronounced them man and wife—did Dr. Harding admit that he had become a benedict.

First official announcement of the marriage was telegraphed to President Harding late last night by an employee of his newspaper, the Marion Star.

Dr. Harding, who is 77 years old, has been a practicing physician in Marion for 50 years. His bride was born in Marion County 52 years ago. Dr. Harding has five living children. His first wife died eleven years ago.

Commenting on his marriage, Dr. Harding said: "I was lonesome, simply unbearably lonesome, I thought, perhaps, we could get away and be married without much publicity. I changed my mind, however, in Toledo yesterday afternoon. I gave the deputy county clerk at Monroe a dollar to keep the license from newspapermen, but we had hardly arrived at Toledo until newspapermen were after us," he declared with a wide smile.

Dr. Harding himself said that he was refused a license in Windsor on Wednesday because he was not a Canadian citizen.