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MEIGHEN WILL FIGHT EMPIRE NAVAL PLANS

At Premiers' Conference it is Expected He Will Declare Discussion Not Appropriate.

UNCERTAIN FINANCES THE MAIN REASON

May Agree to Anglo-Japanese Treaty But United States Must be Satisfied.

Quebec, Que., June 6.—With his first parliamentary session as prime minister over, Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen today is on his way to London, where for the coming month he will be called upon to play a not less difficult part on the stage of world affairs. The conference of prime ministers, which opens within the historic precincts of No. 10 Downing street on June 21, is the first of its kind to be held in the empire's history. Differing from the Imperial War Conference, which concerned itself solely with imperial affairs, the conference, devoted solely to problems of war, and differing also from the Imperial War Cabinet, a conference of selected ministers of the various empire governments which has no successor in peace, the present conference is the first attempt to have the dominions formulate a foreign policy for the empire, hitherto the function of Great Britain alone.

Reason for Meeting

Called primarily to lay the foundation for a greater constitutional gathering to come, the conference of prime ministers owes its genesis to the Imperial Conference of 1917. At that gathering held during the black days when the British army in France was fighting with its back to the wall, the statesmen of the empire, anxious to avoid the distraction of imperial controversy in such perilous days, adopted a resolution declaring that the readjustment of the constitutional relations of the empire was too important and intricate a question to be dealt with then, and that a special imperial conference should be held after the coming of peace.

Preliminary Conference

A year later, when the Dominion ministers met again at the peace conference, the question was further discussed, and in view of the importance attached to the problem, it was decided that there should be a preliminary gathering at which the spade work could be done for the matter which the legislation conference would deal. It is this preliminary which is now being held.

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LLOYD GEORGE TO TAKE REST

Overworked the Premier's Physicians Order Complete Rest for Short Time.

London, June 6.—The prime minister Mr. Lloyd George has been ordered by his physicians to take a complete rest. He is suffering as a result of a severe chill and overwork and has cancelled all his engagements for this week.

Shediac Forest Fire Controlled

Moncton, N. B., June 6.—A forest fire near Shediac yesterday which was threatening in consequence of the high wind was reported under control this morning. Little or no damage was done.

MORE TROOPS GOING TO IRELAND AT ONCE

Heavy Forces to be Sent Says Austen Chamberlain in Effort to Restore Order Again.

London, June 6.—The immediate sending of additional troops to Ireland for the purpose of maintaining order has been decided upon. It was announced in the House of Commons today by Austen Chamberlain, the government leader. Mr. Chamberlain made this statement in response to an inquiry. Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland, replied to an inquiry as to the number of soldiers killed or wounded in the "war in Ireland" since January, 1920, said that 127 had been killed and 286 wounded.

COURT THROWS OUT SEVENTEEN 'WET' OBJECTIONS

Seizure of Two Cars of Liquor at Sydney Now Before Courts.

JUDGE CLAIMS ALL WAS DONE PROPERLY

Neither N. S. Temperance Act or the Doherty Act Violated.

Sydney, N. S., June 6.—Seventeen objections raised by Hon. D. A. Cameron, A. G. Gunn, K.C., and W. P. Carroll, against the recent seizure of two cars of liquor in the local C. N. R. yards, were thrown out of court when the cases came before Magistrate F. G. Muzgen today. The seizures were made under the Doherty Act, which His Honor declared does not conflict with either the Nova Scotia Temperance Act nor the Canadian Temperance Act. The magistrate ruled that there is a prime facie case against both the defendants, Mike Nolan, of Glace Bay and the Petrie Manufacturing Co., of Sydney, and has ordered them placed upon their defence.

Boy Confesses to Fatal Accident

Comes to Police With Admission That His Bicycle Killed Woman.

Sydney, N. S., June 6.—Clifford Bonnell, fifteen years of age, gave himself up to the police today as the cyclist concerned in the accident on George street on Saturday night in which Mrs. Angus Macdonald lost her life. Mrs. Macdonald was knocked down by a bicycle, and in falling fractured her skull on the pavement, never regaining consciousness. Up to the time of Bonnell's admission the police had not the slightest clue as to the identity of the cyclist.

St. John Girl Is Vassar Graduate

Miss Christian Edwards of This City Will Bear the Daisy Chain or Class Day.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 6.—One Canadian girl, Miss Christian Edwards, St. John, N. B., is included in the twenty-four member of the sophomore class of Vassar College who have been chosen to bear the daisy chain at the college on class day, Monday, June 13. The list was announced today.

MILITARY IN FULL CHARGE OVER PUEBLO

Every Able-Bodied Man in City Summoned to Help Clear Streets.

BODIES SWEEP AWAY IN FLOOD

Isolation Hospitals Established and All Sightseers Are Barred.

Pueblo, Colo., June 6.—Systematic and drastic action to ascertain the number of dead and to clean the city of Pueblo, flood-stricken for three days, was begun this afternoon. Acting under military authority, Lieut. Colonel Paul P. Newton, ordered every able-bodied man to apply himself to the task of removing debris from the streets as a measure to prevent danger from fire and pestilence. The order bars sightseers from the city and makes work compulsory either for the stipulated pay or under military guard without pay. Three isolation hospitals have been established.

Situation in Hand.

The situation is declared to be well in hand. There is not now any epidemic of contagious diseases and only five cases of chicken pox have been reported to the authorities since the flood. Recovery of bodies is progressing slowly, since searchers are impeded by the water, and by the great coating of mud over every collection of debris. A careful check by the Associated Press showed forty-two bodies in morgues here today. To this list were added ten more known dead when a reporter for the Pueblo Chief made his way from St. Charles Mesa, six miles down stream, to report the number of bodies recovered there.

Bodies Carried Away.

Many bodies probably never will be found as they were carried down stream below Pueblo by the terrific force of the flood. Searching of the buildings was being conducted today as workmen were engaged in clearing them out. Some recovery of bodies was made. No estimate can be made accurately of the number of persons missing.

Stretching in an irregular fan-shape oval, thirty blocks long and of a maximum width of twelve blocks, comprising about 350 city blocks, the damaged area, after the curtain of water had been withdrawn presented an aspect of desolation that forced many observers to re-examine their estimates of ten million dollars to one nearer fifteen million dollars. A number of large and important business buildings on each side of the area were destroyed and many others were seriously damaged.

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John L. Lockhart Dies Aged 98 Years

Had Been a Resident of the Shediac Road for Four Score Years.

Special to The Standard
Moncton, N. B., June 6.—The death of John L. Lockhart occurred at his home in Harrisville this morning, at the age of 98 years and four months. He was born at Sackville, and had been a resident of the Shediac Road for over 80 years. His father was the late Charles Lockhart of Nova Scotia, and his mother was Lydia Lutz of Shediac Road. He leaves his second wife, formerly Lizzie Kilian, of Wheaton's Settlement. The late Mr. Lockhart leaves three sons, Leif, Drury Lockhart, of Lewisville; E. N. T. Lockhart, formerly of the I. C. R., now superannuated, and Charles H. Lockhart, both of Moncton. The daughters are Mrs. Hazen Brown, a resident of Lewisville, and Miss Alvina Lockhart, who is also a resident in Moncton. He had been in the past ten months.

Millionaire Serves As Common Seaman

Five Captains, Fifteen First Mates in Volunteer Crew Bringing Norwegian Vessel.

New York, June 6.—The steamer Bergensfjord arrived today from Christiania, manned by a crew that included a wealthy shipowner, five captains, 15 first mates and a number of Norwegian college youths. Because of the general strike which has paralyzed the Norwegian ports, a regular crew could not be signed on. The liner brought only 200 passengers instead of her usual 1,000. Inheralds were 200 tons of cargo which could not be unloaded at Christiania.

Sir Sam Better

Lindsay, Ont., June 6.—"Quite favorable," is the bulletin today on the condition of Sir Sam Hughes, who was last night moved from Ottawa to the family home in this town. Sir Sam is reported to have stood the journey well.

World News Today

CANADA

Premier Meighen sails for London to take part in the conference of premieres there. Church Union debate will be continued by the General Assembly today at Toronto with probability of a vote. Sydney magistrate throws out seventeen objections to seizure of two cars loads of liquor.

UNITED STATES

Loss of property in the Pueblo, Col., floods is estimated at \$20,000,000. No estimate yet of the number of dead. Shop men of the United States railways taking vote on acceptance of the reduced wages proposed.

Benny Leonard successfully defends his title in a twelve-round bout.

GREAT BRITAIN

Premier Lloyd George has been ordered to take a complete rest by his physicians. Ulster Parliament will open today with elaborate ceremonies. No settlement of the coal strike is in sight yet, although miners and operators met yesterday. More troops are to be sent into Ireland at once, so the House of Commons is told.

German ambassador appeals to British to remain in Upper Silesia to save the Germans from death at Polish hands.

RAIL SHOPS TAKE BALLOT UPON STRIKE

Question is Acceptance of the Wage Reduction Proposed by U. S. Rail Board.

PULLMAN WORKERS DOING THEIR SAME

Twelve Thousand Men Involved in Trouble Brewing in Those Shops.

Chicago, June 6.—One hundred and seventy-five railroads today petitioned the Railway Labor Board for a reduction of wages of one or more classes of their employees equal to that given any other railroad by the board's decision, effective June 1.

RAILWAY MEN VOTING.

Members of the six railroads shopcrafts' unions will vote during the next thirty days on acceptance or rejection of the wage reduction, according to E. M. Jewett, president of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor. The result will be made known at a meeting of railroad labor heads here later in the month.

WELCOMED TO CITY

Delegates to the convention were welcomed this morning by Mayor John S. Parker, of Halifax, and Hon. E. H. Armstrong, acting leader of the Nova Scotia government. Both referred to good work of the longshoremen during the war period. President Ryan said tonight that he hoped employers would take into account the work of the internationally Longshoremen's Association in the past when the time came to renew agreements now in force or make new ones.

WREATH ON GRAVE OF SIR JOHN MACDONALD

Kingston, Ont., June 6.—Today marked the thirtieth anniversary of the death of the late Sir John Macdonald, and to mark the event a number of prominent members of the Liberal-Conservative party here went to Cataract cemetery and placed a wreath on the grave of the late chief minister. Among those who attended the ceremonies were Brigadier-General Ross, W. F. Nickle, W. R. Givens, Mayor Hugh C. Nickle and H. W. Newman.

MILLIONS FROM CANTEN

London, June 6.—The report of the British parliamentary commission which investigated the disposition of army canteen funds has been completed and is now being reviewed by the army council.

Although no forecast is forthcoming, it is probable that Canada, which has already received over a million dollars from the fund, will obtain another sum in the neighborhood of twice that amount.

ELECTRIC MINE LIGHTS

Glouce Bay, N. S., June 6.—An important milestone in the history of coal mining in Cape Breton was reached this morning when Edison electric lamps were issued to the miners in numbers two and nine collieries and the other mines of the Dominion Coal Co. will be outfitted as soon as possible. The oil lamp, called the Glancey, has been in use in Nova Scotia.

GREAT PLANS FOR ULSTER'S NEW COMMONS

King's Representative to be the Chief Factor in the Elaborate Ceremonies.

NO OPPOSITION IN THE NEW PARLIAMENT

Sinn Feiners Refuse to Have Anything to Do With the Legislature.

Belfast, June 6.—Belfast's stately city hall is gaily bedecked for the opening tomorrow of the Northern Parliament which will only be surpassed in brilliance of ceremonial by the State opening which has been fixed for June 22.

Lord Fitzalan, the new Viceroy, who will represent the King at tomorrow's ceremony will arrive in the morning with Viscountess Fitzalan to pay his first official visit to the northern city. They will be the guests of Lord Pierric, from whose residence at Ormston they will drive along the decorated route to the City Hall. They will be awaited there by the Lord Mayor and City Council, and an address of welcome will be presented.

NO OPPOSITION THERE

The new parliament will be without a sign of the opposition party for the leaders of the Sinn Fein and the Nationalists are determined to ignore it as if it did not exist. Apparently the public is taking little interest in the prospect of the coming of the King for the State opening.

The first business tomorrow will be a motion to elect Major O'Neill as Speaker; the Viceroy will signify the Royal Assent to the choice of that member. Arthur Irwin Dagnet will be clerk of the Journals of the House of Commons, will be clerk of the new House.

NAMES OF CABINET

After the formal swearing in of the members, the Premier, Sir James Craig, will announce the names of his cabinet, and they will be immediately confirmed by the Viceroy in an adjoining chamber and raised to the dignity of privy councillors. Thus the first government will be fully constituted.

LONGSHOREMEN SEEK TO RETAIN WAGES

Conditions Not Ideal But Best That Can be Had at Time Says Head.

Halifax, N. S., June 6.—"The conditions under which we work are not ideal, but we are generally speaking all we wish to do at present is to maintain these conditions," said President Joseph Ryan of the Atlantic Division of the International Longshoremen's Association when asked tonight if there were any disputes regarding wages or working conditions in prospect in the Atlantic Division. The president is here attending the annual convention of the International Longshoremen.

FOUR INJURED IN SHEDIAC ACCIDENT

Auto Turned Turtle When Making a Sharp Turn in the Road.

Moncton, N. B., June 6.—Four Moncton men, G. H. Lounsbury, J. W. Deboo, C. P. Archer and T. H. O'Brien, had a narrow escape from fatal injuries as the result of their automobile turning turtle in making a turn in the road at Gilbert's Corner, near Shediac, early this morning. The party left Moncton about five o'clock for Chatham in a new automobile which took fire after the accident and burned up. Mr. O'Brien had two ribs broken in the accident and Mr. Deboo had one eye slightly injured, the other occupied by the car miraculously escaping injury. The car was owned by the Lounsbury Motor Sales Company.

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PREMIER BRIAND IS PRAISING THE GERMANS

Message Notes Efforts of Berlin to Fulfill its Undertakings Under the Treaty of Versailles.

Paris, June 6.—The council of ambassadors today sent a letter signed by Premier Briand to the German embassy, taking cognizance of the goodwill of the German government in its efforts to fulfill its undertakings under the peace treaty.

In the letter the council grants Germany a delay until September 30 for transformation of the Diesel motors from submarine use to civilian industry.

GERMANS FEAR FOR LIVES IF BRITISH QUIT

Ambassador Urges Britain to Remain in Industrial Cities of Silesia.

FEAR POLES TO ATTACK GERMANS

Claims British Action is a Violation of the Terms of Peace Treaty.

London, June 6.—Dr. St. Hamer, German ambassador to Great Britain, today delivered a note to the British foreign minister, Marquis Curzon, complaining that the threat of the Inter-Allied Commission to withdraw the Allied troops from the towns in the industrial region of Upper Silesia unless a withdrawal of the German defense force begins forthwith, is a grave breach of the peace treaty.

The note declared the threat of the Inter-Allied Commission was tantamount to placing the German population of Upper Silesia at the mercy of the Polish insurgents and made the unmooring of civilian war inevitable, because it was impossible for the German government to bring pressure to bear on the defense forces to leave the German population defenseless to the insurgents.

ULSTER PARLIAMENT HUNTING A HOME

Presbyterian College May be Purchased as Headquarters of New Government.

Belfast, June 6.—Negotiations are proceeding for the purchase of Assembly College as the home of the new Ulster parliament at the Presbyterian College at present is being used for the training of students for the Presbyterian ministry.

NO APPOINTMENTS TO VACANT JUDGESHIPS

Ottawa, June 6.—It is understood that no appointment has yet been made to fill the vacant judgeship in York-Sunbury and Queens counties, N. B. The Minister of Justice is out of town and definite information is unavailable. An appointment will probably be made in the course of a few days.

BOARD ON VISIT TO RIVER GLADE

Moncton, June 6.—Acting Premier Hon. C. W. Robinson, Hon. Jas. A. Murray, Dr. McAverry, Hon. Dr. Smith, A. E. Triggs and Dr. Carlin Carmichael, superintendent, attended a meeting of the Jordan Sanatorium at River Glade today, the business transacted being routine. The institution has about the usual number of patients, civilian and soldier. Some improvements in the way of screens for summer and sliding windows for winter have been made to the civilian pavilion during the past year.

MONCTON BRIDE AT PUEBLO IS SAFE

Moncton, June 6.—Mrs. George O'Neill, of this city, is in receipt of a telegram from her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Murray, who is now at Pueblo, Colo., recently flooded with heavy loss of life. The telegram stated that both Mr. and Mrs. Murray were safe. Mrs. Murray will be remembered as Miss Mary O'Neill, who recently married and is now on her wedding trip.

KILLED WHEN AUTOS COLLIDED

Winnipeg, Man., June 6.—F. J. Edwards, aged 54 of this city, is dead and Miss E. Malcolm, a nurse is in the hospital severely bruised as the result of an accident here late Saturday. Edwards died today from the injuries he received when a driver of an automobile truck, attempting to avoid collision with another truck, swerved knocking him off his bicycle and plunged across the sidewalk hitting Miss Malcolm.

CHURCH UNION DEBATE LIKELY TO END TO-DAY

General Assembly Delegates at Toronto Sharply Divided on Big Church Issue.

CLAIM WEST IS ANXIOUS FOR UNION

Others Predict That Union Will Mean Great Loss to Presbyterians.

Toronto, June 6.—An indication that an attempt will be made to unite the Presbyterian General Assembly on a middle ground between immediate organic union with the Methodist and Congregational churches, and indefinite delay, was supplied in the debate on church union resumed this afternoon. At present there are just two motions sent on by the "special union committee before the assembly, one calling for consummation of union as "expeditiously as possible" and an amendment providing that no further action be taken without a "clear and unmistakable mandate from the people." The committee recommended that the assembly be asked to register its mind by voting on these two resolutions, and by motion carried last Friday, the assembly agreed to follow that course.

PROPOSED THIRD PLATFORM

Immediately after the opening this afternoon, the moderator was asked whether he would accept another amendment, and he replied that the vote of the assembly on the two resolutions already before them would be regarded as decisive and final. Commissioners questioned the justice of this ruling, and Sir Robert Fairclough, convener of the committee, said it had been the desire of the moderator to avoid having the issue clouded by any amendment which might be sprung on the spur of the moment on the floor of the assembly.

Moderator's Ruling

If more amendments were to be received, said the moderator, it would be necessary to rescind the motion to confine the vote to the two committee resolutions, but as a committee member pointed out, this could not be done without a notice of motion having been made at a previous session. The pro-unionists and anti-unionists, and Mr. James Rogers, of Westmont, an opponent of union, was the first up today when Roger said that the "forward movement fund was raised, a large number of subscribers had taken it for granted that the union idea had been dropped. So far as he was concerned he would pay his subscription anyway. He believed the Presbyterian church was still greatly in the west, and if the amendment motion were rejected, he believed the church would be split.

NO SETTLEMENT OF MINE STRIKE

Conference Held All Day Yesterday Ends in Failure to Reach Any Agreement.

London, June 6.—The conference of mine owners and workers, which was held today with the object of negotiating a settlement of the strike, if possible, adjourned until tomorrow without definite result. An official statement announces that the points in dispute were discussed in a friendly spirit.

PLUMBER KILLED WHILE AT WORK

Montreal, June 6.—Seeing a man stumble from the door of 106 St. Felix street today and collapse on the sidewalk, Constable Albert found him to be in a semi-conscious condition. He summoned an ambulance and had him conveyed to the General Public Hospital where the man died this afternoon.

His name was ascertained to be Dames Charbonneau, 46, a plumber. He had been sent to 106 St. Felix street to fix water pipes and was asphyxiated by an escape of gas in the house which was vacant.

TODAY

IMPERIAL—"Brewster's Millions."
OPERA HOUSE—"Frank Bush, Marie Dorr, Jerome and France, 2 other big features and Serial Drama, "Fighting Fate."

QUEEN SQUARE—"British Production—"In the Gloaming."
STAR—"Evangeline," and "Phantom Foe."

EMPRESS—"Sunset Peak."

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