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GENERAL CURRIE TELLS OF RHINE'S CROSSING

London Chamber of Commerce Favors Imperial Preference

COURT SUSTAINS PROPERTY RIGHTS IN NEWS STORIES

U. S. Supreme Court Upholds Decrees Restraining Pirating of Despatches.

UNFAIR COMPETITION

International News Service Must Not Steal News of Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The supreme court of the United States sustained today federal court decrees restraining the International News Service from pirating news of the Associated Press. Five members of the court, including Chief Justice White, concurred in a majority opinion delivered by Associate Justice Pitney upholding the principle of a property right in news and the complaint of unfair competition, and refusing to interfere with injunctions specifically prohibiting the International News Service from pirating by:

Bribing employes of newspapers to furnish Associated Press news before publication for transmission to the defendant's clients;

Inducing Associated Press members to violate its bylaws by permitting the defendant to obtain news before publication and by copying news from bulletin boards and from early editions of Associated Press newspapers and selling it either bodily or after rewriting. The judgment says in part:

"The right of the purchaser of a single newspaper to spread knowledge of its contents gratuitously for any legitimate purpose not unreasonably interfering with complainant's right to make merchandise of it may be admitted; but to transmit that news for commercial use, in competition with complainant—which is what defendant has done and seeks to justify—is a very different matter.

"Stripped of all disguises, the process amounts to an unauthorized interference with the normal operation of complainant's legitimate business, precisely at the point where the profit is to be reaped, in order to divert a material portion of the profit from those who have earned it, to those who have not, with special advantage to defendant in the competition because of the fact that it is not burdened with any part of the expense of gathering the news. The transaction speaks for itself, and a court of equity ought not to hesitate long in characterizing it as unfair competition in business."

MURDERED MAN FOUND IN PURLIEUS OF DETROIT

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 23.—Buried under brush in the woods near the Seven Mile and Monnier roads, just west of Woodward avenue, and almost within the city, a party of hunters today found the partly decomposed body of a slain man. That the man was murdered, is the declaration of Coroner Rothacher. A deep cut thru one ear into the skull led the authorities to believe the crime was committed with a sharp instrument, perhaps an ax. The coroner says the man had been dead about four months, and from the nature of wounds and the position in which the body apparently was placed under the brush, he believes there is no question that murder was done.

U. S. SENATE PASSES WAR REVENUE BILL

Will Raise Six Billion Dollars Next Year and Four Billion in 1920.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Without a record vote, the senate late tonight passed the war revenue bill, reduced to raise $6,000,000,000 in 1919 and $4,000,000,000 in 1920, as compared with the levy of $8,200,000,000 for next year proposed in the bill passed by the house three months ago.

Several riders were added to the bill, but no important changes in the finance committee's draft were made except the reinstatement of so-called luxury taxes on a number of articles costing above fixed standards.

Among the riders adopted were provisions for one month's pay bonus to men discharged from the military establishment after signature of the armistice; extension of the Reed "bone dry" law to the District of Columbia, and for 100 per cent. taxes on political campaign contributions in excess of $500.

A change made in the automobile tax section provided for exemption of trucks, tractors and trailers, reducing the bill's estimated revenue yield by about $30,000,000, but the reinsertion of the luxury tax clause will result in an estimated yield of $80,000,000.

Germany Weeps Over Sordid Tars

London, Dec. 23.—Commenting on the handing over to the British of the German submarine U-9 by the German crew, who seized this opportunity to earn 500 marks per man paid by Germany in compensation for taking the boat to England, The Cologne Volks Zeitung says:

"Even when the astounding history of the Russian rubles given to the German people's deputies was related we had patience. We had, indeed, still one consolation. Thru this night of universal misfortune the splendor of our armies' fame glistened with friendly radiance never to disappear so long as men walked upon earth. Shall we now be robbed of this consolation in the solitude and silence of our misery? Is it possible in Germany that even "red" sailors could have sold for 500 marks the last poor remnant of the honor of an undying hero?

"A British admiral (Beatty) renounces the handing over of a U-boat, which, as victor, he wishes, with noble gesture to bestow upon the vanquished, as one is accustomed to leave his sword to the brave commander of a conquered fortress. Revolutionaries in German naval uniform prefer, we are told, 500 marks. These dishonorable men venture again to tread German soil with their wages of sin.

"Can it really be true? Many a tear would flow in the German fatherland. So, everything is lost, including honor. We could not then sink lower in the estimation of the world—it is impossible."

DINNER TO WILSON BY LLOYD GEORGE

Will Meet War Cabinet There Instead of at Banquet at Lancaster House.

London, Dec. 23.—The "Belgian suite," reserved exclusively for royal guests until now, will be occupied by President and Mrs. Wilson during their stay in London. In the years of its interesting history it has had within its walls many crowned heads, one of the latest, but the least-mentioned at Buckingham Palace, being the former German emperor.

It was given its name during Queen Victoria's reign, and was always known as the house of the King of the Belgians, when royalty was entertained here.

At the request of President Wilson, who evidently found that too much is being crowded into his short stay in England, the proposed dinner at Lancaster House on Saturday night has been eliminated. This was to have been a function only second to the banquet at Buckingham Palace Friday night. Instead of the Lancaster House banquet, Premier Lloyd George will entertain the president at dinner Saturday to meet the war cabinet.

LIBERATION OF ARMENIA, DEMAND OF U. S. BISHOPS

New York, Dec. 23.—On behalf of 82 American bishops, it was announced here today by Bishop David H. Greer of the Episcopal Church, the following message has been cabled separately to the Archbishops of Canterbury and York:

"With utmost horror we hear a sinister rumor of the possibility of the continuance of Turkish suzerainty over unhappy Armenia. Thru your lordships we ask that the Anglican churches do their utmost to prevent a repetition of so hideous a crime. The honor of our churches and of the allied democracies demands that Armenia be unconditionally liberated from Turkish rule and restored to her own people."

Airplane Capsized Near Paris; Officer Killed, General Hurt

Paris, Dec. 23.—An airplane piloted by a British officer and carrying an American general from Treves, Germany, capsized this afternoon at Louvres, on the outskirts of Paris. The pilot was killed and the general was seriously injured.

Former German U-Boat Collides With United States Destroyer

Plymouth, Eng., Dec. 23.—The former German submarine 126 collided here today with the American torpedo-boat destroyer Parker. The destroyer was damaged, but no members of her crew were injured.

DISARMING U. S. LINERS.

New York, Dec. 23.—Disarmament of liners and merchant ships which were provided with naval guns to combat submarine attacks was begun today at the navy yard, and will be continued there and at the piers where these ships dock.

STEAMER ARRIVALS.

Steamer.	At	From
Cedric	New York	Liverpool
G. Washington	New York	Brest
San Giorgio	New York	Genoa
Orca	Liverpool	New York
Scotian	Liverpool	St. John
Cretic	Liverpool	New York
Haverford	Liverpool	Boston
Metagama	Liverpool	St. John
Minnekahda	London	New York
Saturnia	Greenock	St. John
Man. Brigade	St John	Manchester
Novgorod	St. John	Tyne
Crawley	St. John	Transatlantic Pt.
War Wolf	St. John	Transatlantic Pt.
Edinburgh Cas.	Liverpool	New York
Huronian	Liverpool	New Orleans

IMMENSE MARKET FOR CANADA'S STOCK

Cattle Shortage of Over Hundred Million Head Reported in Europe.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—In a statement regarding the live stock situation in Europe, and the opportunity Canada now has to place her live stock industry on a permanent basis, H. B. Thomson, chairman of the Canada Food Board, says that the decrease in Europe of cattle, sheep and hogs, counting only the principal countries where figures are available, and excluding Russia, Austria-Hungary, and the Balkans, from which no figures are available, is nearly ten times the total of Canada's live stock herds in the country at the present time. The shortage in the countries reported amounts to 115,000,000 head. Last Dominion census, Canada's total livestock amounted to 12,335,191 head.

Canada's Opportunity.

"In estimating the opportunity for Canada's live stock product," says Mr. Thomson, "one has only to realize the deficiency that has taken place in Europe, and the great decrease in livestock that has occurred owing to the war. The American continent now has further responsibility thrust upon it of supplying the neutrals. We are all short, particularly of animal products, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland and the Balkan Peninsula, and our vanquished foes need many necessities of life. There may be sentimental feeling against feeding the 'Huns,' but he will come last on the list, and taking a practical viewpoint of the situation, it is surely in the interest of the allies to maintain order in Germany and Austria, so that a government may be maintained, and the terms of the peace conference enforced.

"The shortage of dairy products is particularly marked in Europe, and one is at a loss to know how long it will take the continent to build up its live stock reserves, in addition to helping feed itself. Canadians have proved the suitability of this country for the production of various grades of live- stock under world market conditions. Peace may bring changes, but Canada's position, and her ability to supply products of the soil is not relatively changed."

KITCHENER'S ASPIRANTS TO MUNICIPAL HONORS

Kitchener, Dec. 23.—The annual nominations were held here this evening in St. Mary's Hall, which was crowded to its capacity by electors. Twelve nominations were received for the mayoralty, but the majority withdrew. Mayor Gross announced his intentions to stand for a third term and will probably be opposed by Dr. H. H. Huehnergard. Sixty-four nominations were made for aldermen and the field will be the largest in many years. Eleven were nominated as school trustees, five for the water commission and four for the light commission. J. E. Vogt was elected school trustee for the north ward and Fred Dreger for the south ward by acclamation.

HINDENBURG ARMY CONCENTRATES AT POSEN

Zurich, Dec. 23.—Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, according to reports received here from Germany, has concentrated a large force of soldiers in Posen, in German Poland. Polish nationalists have claimed it as part of the new Poland, and Polish troops have invaded the territory.

REMINGTON WORKS CLOSED.

Utica, N.Y., Dec. 23.—The Remington Arms Company at Ilion, engaged in government work, was closed this afternoon. At one time 18,000 persons were employed. About 6000 were at work when the plant closed today.

STRONG NECESSITY FOR PREFERENCE WITH DOMINIONS

London Chamber of Commerce Also Advocates Guarantee of Industries.

GERMANY MUST PAY

Full Reparation for All Tonnage and Cargoes Sunk by Huns.

London, Dec. 23.—A special committee of the London Chamber of Commerce dealing with trade during and after the war considers the necessity for imperial preference stronger today than ever. It recommends that the government be urged to guarantee for a series of years continuance, by subsidy or otherwise, of the new or "key" industries. It recommends also that the peace terms should compel Germany to make the fullest restitution for all allied tonnage and cargoes sunk by enemy action, such reparation to be made in ships, Westphalian coal or money. The committee would compel Germany to furnish France with coal until the deliberately wrecked French mines are re-established, and to compensate the relatives of all seamen and passengers murdered at sea.

This committee also proposes that as an act of justice to the allies, enemy vessels be not allowed on the sea until the fullest reparation has been made; that no financially controlled enemy tonnage be allowed under neutral flags, and that no coaling stations owned or controlled by subjects of enemy countries be permitted in British or allied ports or possessions.

MONTREAL ROBBERY BIGGEST ON RECORD

Diamonds and Rubies, Worth Over One Hundred Thousand, Taken From Safe.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Diamonds with some rubies and emeralds to the cost value of $75,000 and worth upwards of $100,000 today was the net bag made by robbers who blew open the safe at the offices of L. L. Michalson and Sons, eighth floor, Eastern Townships' Bank building, in this city in the early hours of this morning. The entire contents of the safe were cleaned out, and while another safe containing $10,000 worth of diamonds was left intact, the loss is such that the firm and the insurance companies are making every effort to trace the thieves.

About twenty detectives are at work on the case. The Pinkerton National Detective Agency has six men on the case; the Dominion Detective Agency has three men, and there are 10 city detectives under Inspector Harry Cowan scouring the city.

Keep Close Watch.

Up to an early hour this morning, however, nothing definite had been discovered. Every station in the city is being closely watched and every city in the Dominion has been notified, whilst all the towns on the United States border have been asked to keep a close watch for anyone who might answer the description sent broadcast from Montreal.

In the recollection of Montreal police officers the robbery is one of the biggest on record in the Dominion.

Jewelers all over the city are taking extra precautions against robbery tonight.

VOLTE FACE U. S. PEOPLE CHIEF FEATURE OF WAR

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Victory by army and navy efficiency was the keynote of an address before the Canadian Club here today by Sir Robert Falconer, president of the Toronto University, on "Impression From a Visit to Our Canadian Overseas Forces." Two things struck the speaker when crossing the ocean with a convoy that carried 35,000 American troops. One was the overwhelming efficiency of the British fleet that made such a feat possible. The second was the heroic work of the mercantile marine, and especially of its stokers and firemen.

Sir Robert pointed out that the outstanding feature of the war was the volte face of the whole American people in turning from west to east, and ignoring the advice of President Lincoln not to interfere in European disputes.

A vote of thanks was moved by Principal Sir William Peterson of McGill University.

FLU AT WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—Seventy-two new cases of Spanish influenza and 11 deaths were reported to the local health officials today.

"NEVER LOST INCH" ALWAYS ADVANCED

Gen. Sir Arthur Currie Says Canadian Army Crossing the Rhine Was Most Inspiring Sight.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The following communication from Lieut.-General Sir Arthur Currie to Sir Edward Kemp, minister of overseas military forces of Canada, concerning the crossing of the Rhine by the first and second Canadian divisions, has been received here by the director of public information:

"At half past nine this morning, I took up my position on the eastern end of the bridge spanning the Rhine, to witness the march-past of the second division, the first having crossed at Cologne, where they were reviewed by the army commander.

"It was raining hard all morning, a condition which continued thruout the day. The march began promptly on time and was one of the most inspiring and impressive things it has ever been my good fortune to witness.

"Altho men and horses had just completed a long and trying march, they looked in the very pink of condition and I did not see one unhappy face thruout the day. They had their clothes and equipment put on well, held their heads up with a look of strong determination and earnest confidence in all faces.

"As each unit had a band they swung by like a victorious army should. The populace of Bonn seemed to be intensely interested in the march and I have no doubt were as much impressed as any one.

"The troops all carried the British flag, which his majesty has given permission to be regarded as colors, provided they are properly consecrated, something we shall have done at once, and these flags will form valuable heirlooms for future generations.

"They mean much to our country, these flags which our heroes carried after four years of the greatest war in the world's history, in which no unit has played a prouder part than they, and in which they were so great a factor in bringing about the final decisive and conclusive defeat of the enemy.

"Tonight not a single Canadian gun is in German hands, while there are many, many units who can truthfully say that they have never failed to take an objective, nor ever lost an inch of ground."

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO CANADA'S TROOPS

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—Major-General S. C. Mewburn, minister of militia and defence, has sent the following Christmas message to the Canadian troops overseas:

"On behalf of your comrades in Canada, I have the proud privilege of sending Christmas greetings this year to a victorious Canadian army, occupying the territory of a conquered foe. Last year you looked back upon a year of desperate, if glorious, fighting, and forward to a doubtful issue, for the enemy was known to have gained new strength and to be meditating a tremendous blow against us. Today you can look back upon a year in which the British arms bore adversity with fortitude, refused to despond when things were at their darkest, returned to the offensive at the critical moment, and in three months of fighting such as the world never had seen before, won a victory unexampled alike for the glory won and for the service rendered by it for humanity.

"In this warfare of the giants you have borne a part which fills us with pride and gratitude which we cannot express. Amiens, Arras, the Queant-Drocourt line, the Canal du Nord, Cambrai, Valenciennes and Mons, are words which will inspire Canadians for centuries, and you are the men who have done the resounding deeds. Our homage of love and pride is tendered to the men who fell in winning these triumphs.

"We hope soon to welcome you home, and you may rest assured that every effort is being made to ease the path of your return to peaceful industry."

HOLD NOMINATIONS IN NORTH ONTARIO

Major Harry Cameron Represents Conservatives; J. H. Widdifield, the U.F.O.

Beaverton, Dec. 23.—A large number of the electors of the north riding of Ontario met in convention here this afternoon for the purpose of nominating candidates for the provincial legislature. To fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Hon. W. H. Hoyle, the candidates nominated are: Major Harry Cameron of Beaverton, Conservative, and J. H. Widdifield of Uxbridge Township, representing the U. F. O. Many ladies were present and took great interest in the proceedings, which is an evidence of the fact that they appreciate receiving the franchise.

The principal speakers were the candidates and A. Ferguson, M.P.P., South Simcoe; W. H. Purvis, J. C. Morrison, secretary U.F.O.; Alexander Noble, Scott Township; Rev. E. W. McKay, John Blanchard, president of Conservative Association, presided.

U. S. CLOTHING WORKERS REFUSE ARBITRATION

New York, Dec. 23.—The Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America today refused the arbitration proposal made by Jacob H. Schiff, who is trying to adjust their differences with members of the Men's and Boys' Clothing Manufacturers' Association. They offered, in turn, to submit the issues to a joint board to determine questions for arbitration. They refused to arbitrate the 44 hour week, however, on the ground that certain manufacturers had complied with it, and that it was "unthinkable that members should work different hours in the same market."

DR. CATTERMOLE RESIGNS.

Woodstock, Dec. 23.—Dr. J. F. Cattermole, for five years assistant superintendent at the provincial epileptic hospital here, has resigned. Before coming here he was stationed at Penetanguishene.

SHOP ALL DAY

This is 24th December, the last day before Christmas. Have you thought of the furs for the ladies? Dineen's magnificant stock contains your choice both as to style and price. Call in today and see what is offered at Dineen's, 140 Yonge street.

RECEIVES A CABLE FROM COL. BOYLE

Gallant Woodstock Officer, Made Rumanian Duke, Then Not Heard Of.

Woodstock, Dec. 23.—Charles Boyle, senior, today received a cablegram from his son, Col. Joe Boyle, dated London, Eng. It was the first word received from the gallant colonel since last spring. Since then he has been reported as having been decorated by the King of Rumania and also of having fallen into the hands of the Huns and made a prisoner.

Col. Boyle gained considerable fame in the days of the Yukon gold rush. He went to the Yukon and there effected a corner in the wood market, which made him fairly rich. When the war broke out he hurried across and was present in Rumania when that country was threatened by the Russian Bolshevik troops after the signing of the Brest-Livotsk treaty. He rendered the Rumanian Government signal service by preventing the arrest and transportation to Siberia of many members of the Rumania parliament. After having exhausted his powers of entreaty that the Rumanians should be spared the indignity that would also very likely prove their death, he stated that if the Rumanians were deported he also would be deported with them. Recognizing his British citizenship, the Bolshevik authorities hesitated and finally allowed the Rumanians to return to their own country. It was for this action Joe Boyle of Woodstock was made Duke of Jassey by the King of Rumania. The news of his safe arrival in England will be very welcome to his many friends, as last reports of him stated he was either a prisoner in Germany or that he had been executed by Austrian soldiers.

VERSAILLES AS CAPITAL OF SOCIETY OF NATIONS

Paris, Dec. 23.—The foreign affairs committee of the chamber of deputies is considering a bill which would make Versailles the capital of the proposed society of nations. The bill is backed by the deputies from Versailles and the department of Seine-et-Oise. It proposes to put the buildings at Versailles at the disposal of the states represented at the peace conference, giving them the privilege of extra territorial right, and to make Versailles the permanent centre of the proposed society of nations.

CZERNIN FOLLOWED ORDERS CONVEYED THRU KUEHLMANN

Gen. Hoffmann Had Everything to Say in Brest-Litovsk Treaty, Says Trotzky.

SLAVISH OBEDIENCE

No Special Pacifist Proposals Were Made by Czernin at the Conference.

London, Dec. 23.—Leon Trotzky, the Russian Bolshevist minister of war and marine, has made a statement regarding the recent efforts of Count Czernin, former Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, to excuse himself for the part he played in the negotiation of the Brest-Litovsk treaty.

"Count Czernin," says Trotzky, "insists now very strongly upon a difference between the policy of Dr. Richard von Kuehlmann (former German secretary) and his own. We have actually noticed between them some difference, but this difference was due simply to the fact that Von Kuehlmann commanded and Czernin obeyed. It would be still more correct to say that General Hoffmann (one of the German delegates to Brest-Litovsk) gave orders to Von Kuehlmann and that Kuehlmann conveyed them to Czernin.

"Czernin now discloses that it was his conviction that it was necessary that Poland, Lithuania and Courland should themselves determine their future government. In the Brest-Litovsk negotiations Czernin did not in any way display this conviction.

Vehicle For Contempt.

When General Hoffmann wanted to express in specially cynical form contempt for the victor for the right of the self-determination of peoples, Von Kuehlmann charged Czernin with this task and Czernin carried it out.

"As to the special pacifist proposals supposed to have been made by Czernin and to have miscarried owing to my opposition, no propositions differing from those of Von Kuehlmann were made by Czernin, whether during the official sessions of the conference or during the few conversations he had with me. Shorthand reports of the Brest-Litovsk negotiations will be published soon.

"Moreover, acts have more value than words. Austro-Hungarian troops, in a manner similar to the German troops, invaded the Ukraine and oppressed the people. It is true they now are hastily evacuating this territory, but this fact is not due to Count Czernin."

U. S. Enemy Alien Restrictions Rescinded With Exceptions

Washington, Dec. 23.—Sweeping relaxation of restrictions on the exports of foodstuffs, fodders and feeds to the pan-American republics, Canada, Cuba and the West Indies, was announced tonight by Chairman McCormick of the war trade board.

WILHELM TO PREACH CHRISTMAS SERMON

Will Deliver Edifying Discourse to Small Audience in Castle.

London, Dec. 23.—William Hohenzollern has arranged for himself a Christmas celebration after the traditional German style, as far as the circumstances will permit, according to a despatch from Amsterdam today. The arrangements, by the ex-emperor's insistence, will include elaborate religious ceremonies on Christmas Eve. The idea of using the village chapel for these, however, has proved impracticable for various reasons, one of them being the fear of popular hostile demonstrations. The service, accordingly, will be held in the drawing-room of Amerongen Castle.

The ex-emperor desired to have the court chaplain, Dr. Ernest von Dryander, come from Berlin to preach the Christmas Eve sermon, but the Berlin government has refused permission for the chaplain to go to Holland. The service, consequently, will be conducted by a German missionary from Zeist, near Amerongen, but Herr Hohenzollern himself will deliver the sermon.

Many friends of Count von Bentinck, the former emperor's host, have been asked to attend the service, the message adds, but have refused the invitation. The former emperor's audience therefore will consist of Count von Bentinck and his family, the ex-ruler's suite and the servants of the castle.

Christmas trees will be provided as usual for the celebration. Herr Hohenzollern cut these down himself with the help of two men of the estate, in the Amerongen pine woods. The trees are now being decorated and loaded with gifts.