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35,000,000 IN RUSSIA STARVING, DECLARES MACKIE

Of Number 10,000,000 Have or Will Have Died, and Urgent Appeal is Made For Financial Aid.

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—"There is nothing so terrible as the Russian famine in the annals of European history," said Colonel Herbert J. Mackie, president of the Canadian committee of the save the church fund, in a statement issued to-night.

"The famine in Russia is due to drought," Colonel Mackie proceeded, "it is reducing 35,000,000 to an appalling condition. Millions are dying, the survivors are fleeing from the famine area last autumn, in search of bread or even grass to eat. But the whole territory along the Volga river for a thousand miles and several hundred miles across, had been parched into an arid desert. The fugitive peasants fled by the wayside in many instances, leaving orphan children to wander on in search of roots, the bark of trees, or the bones of dead animals to gnaw. Winter conditions similar to the climate in Canada would seem to be striking down the peasant families as ruthlessly as though they were being consumed in a forest fire. There is nothing so terrible as the Russian famine in the annals of European history."

"However, much the outside nations to the rescue, it is a conservative estimate to say that the famine victims will number 10,000,000, mostly children, before the next harvest comes. But millions can be saved, and the Canadian committee of the save the children fund is appealing to the great heart of the Canadian people to give quickly and generously, so that some of Canada's abundance can be shipped on Canadian ships to the distributing points in Russia."

"The dominion government is wholeheartedly encouraging this relief movement. The British save the children fund is feeding 250,000 children and the saving work is being done with such efficiency that it costs only twenty-five cents per week to feed a child. A donation of ten dollars will feed four children till the severe winter months are over. For \$200, a fine kitchen can be established to care for a hundred children for twenty weeks."

QUEBEC HEARS A RAILWAY RUMOR

Quebec, Feb. 3.—The Quebec Chronicle will publish the following in tomorrow's issue:

"Interest in the railway situation has been revived by the action of the Montreal press in issuing advice to the Hon. Mr. Kennedy, minister of railways, in connection with his tour of inspection of the Canadian National Railway system."

"It is rumored in local railway circles that an Anglo-Canadian company with a powerful backing has already been organized and is seeking to acquire the Canadian National Railway property, including the Grand Trunk. It is even said that the Duke of Devonshire, former governor-general of Canada, is one of those directly interested in the project, the Canadian end of which is being handled in Montreal."

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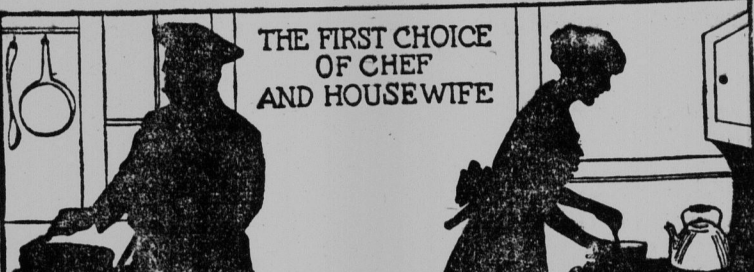
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THE PARTIES WILL HOLD CONFERENCE

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—Preliminary arrangements have been made for a conference of party representatives in Ottawa next week to determine the important questions of seating in the next house.

Prior to every session, the question comes in more or less for discussion between party whips. But this year, with the house divided into three parties and the government slightly outnumbered by Conservatives and Progressives combined it has added interest.

Liberals and Conservatives will, of course, change sides. It is the attitude of the Progressives who, in the new parliament, will number sixty-five members, which is arousing the keenest speculation. Advices to hand here indicate that Progressives, while maintaining their identity, will take their seats to the left of the Speaker, on the opposition side of the house.

The question of leadership of the official opposition is also likely to come in for some preliminary discussion next week.

While there is every probability that the annual salary of \$10,000 will go to Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, the question of designation of such a leader still remains for determination.

Appointment of party whips also remains. Names suggested as probabilities are:

FORMER ST. JOHN WOMAN MORE THAN A CENTURY OLD

The story of a former St. John woman who has passed the century mark is told by the Calais correspondent of The Star News, as follows:

The oldest woman in Calais is Mrs. Matilda Wallace, widow of John Wallace, who is over 100 years of age, having been born Dec. 14, 1822. She makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Kelley, Lafayette street. Mrs. Wallace was born in the Annapolis Valley, Nova Scotia, where she lived for twenty-four years. At the age of twenty-two, she married John Wallace, a widower with two children. They moved to St. John where they lived for twenty-two years and then moved to Calais, where they made their home.

Thirteen children blessed their home, but only one survived. She has made her home with her daughter ever since the death of her husband thirty-seven years ago. There are twenty-eight great-grandchildren of whom seventeen live in St. John (N. B.).

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1921 OIL OUTPUT MADE NEW RECORD

Production of United States Wells Estimated at 469,369,000 Barrels—Value Put at \$753,300,000.

Washington, Feb. 4.—World production of petroleum in 1921 is preliminarily estimated by the United States Geological Survey at 900,000,000 barrels, compared with 883,000,000 barrels produced in 1920. Production of petroleum in the United States in 1921, as indicated by the quantity transported, from producing companies compiled from company reports to the survey, amounted to 469,369,000 barrels, representing an estimated value at the wells of \$753,300,000.

These figures will be increased somewhat by the quantity of petroleum consumed for fuel on the seas and by the net change in storage held on producing properties at the beginning and end of the year, when results of a canvass of the many thousand producers are available. This is the greatest quantity ever produced in the United States in any one year and represents an increase of 26,327,000 barrels over 1920 and is more than double the quantity produced in the United States in 1912. In 1920 the domestic production of oil transported from producing properties was 443,462 barrels, but its estimated value at the wells was \$1,090,000,000. Imports of crude oil into the United States during 1921 amounted to 128,407,000 barrels, compared with 106,174,000 barrels in 1920 and with 52,822,000 barrels in 1919, corresponding, respectively, to 27, 24 and 14 per cent. of the domestic production of the past three years.

Exports of crude oil during 1921 amounted to 6,940,000 barrels and during 1920 to 5,737,000 barrels.

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WAY CLEARED FOR DEBT REFUNDING

Washington, Feb. 3.—Congress finally cleared the way today for the opening of negotiations looking to the refunding of the \$11,000,000,000 foreign debt of the United States under the terms of the bill passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on Jan. 27.

The bill, which provides for the refunding of the debt and the measure was sent to the president, who is expected to approve it.

While plans for conducting the negotiations have not yet been formulated, it was said today in informed quarters that they probably would be conducted both in the United States and abroad. There has been some discussion of a general conference of representatives of the United States and the principal allied powers to discuss the whole subject of the war debt of those nations.

Those favoring this plan have argued that it was not to be expected that the debts owed the United States which had been refunded without reference to the debts owed among the allied powers themselves.

In this connection it has been pointed out that Great Britain advanced to its dominions and allies, including France and Italy, approximately \$9,000,000,000, while France loaned nearly \$3,000,000,000 to its allies, principally Russia and Italy.

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Increasing stocks eased off somewhat in September and October, and the year closed with Pennsylvania grade at \$4 and Oklahoma-Kansas grade at \$2 a barrel.

Low prices were reflected in a marked curtailment of field activity, and 15,012 producing oil wells are reported to have been completed during 1921 as contrasted with 24,222 in 1920. In spite of this,

however, several important new pools were opened up, among which were Haynesville, La., El Dorado, Ark., Burbank, Okla. and Pierce Junction and Mexia, Texas, and extensive new developments were made in the Elk Hills and Huntington Beach, Cal.

The strike in the oil fields of California cut down the production of that State, which nevertheless produced a record output of approximately 114,000,000 barrels. Oklahoma also established a new record, for almost 114,000,000 barrels were reported as removed from production the two states cannot be established, officials say, until the final figures are received.

Texas also produced more than 100,000,000 barrels and in December, as a result of developments at Mexia, ranked first among the producing states.

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