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### League to Learn that Portoc Is Not Acceptable to the Empire

Officials Determined to Fight to a Finish.—Quiet Reigns in Cape Breton Strike Area.—Dr. Simons Made Interim President of Germany.

#### PROTOCOL TURNED DOWN.

GENEVA, Mar. 8. The Geneva protocol fashioning the nations to outlaw war is not acceptable to the British Empire, the announcement which August Chamberlain, British Foreign Secretary, will make to the Council of the League of Nations to-morrow.

#### DISCUSSING SECURITY PACT.

PARIS, Mar. 7. In connection with the talks in progress between Premier Herriot and Foreign Secretary Austen Chamberlain of Great Britain on the security question, it is understood on the authority that M. Herriot has assigned Mr. Chamberlain that France is ready under certain conditions to negotiate the Rhineland in the near future. These conditions would be the granting of a security agreement and the control of armaments along the Rhine by the League of Nations. After a two hour talk with Premier Herriot this afternoon, Austen Chamberlain expressed himself as well satisfied with the exchange of views. He thought there was no inherent impossibility of reaching a security agreement that would satisfy Poland and Czechoslovakia as well as other Allies.

#### BESCO TO FIGHT.

SYDNEY, N.S., Mar. 7. This business has got to be fought out once and for all to determine who is running the collieries, the Company or the United Mine Workers of America. So declared J. E. McLurg, Vice President of the British Empire Steel Corporation this morning. Regarding the situation precipitated by the complete cessation of work among the miners throughout the coal fields of Nova Scotia, McLurg emphasized the contention that officials of the company unused to the hardships of long hours and working twelve hour shifts, could not continue to man the pumps and fans for upwards of a week. After that it would be up to the Province of Nova Scotia to assist in the protection of its own property. He added that the Company had no intention of abandoning any of the mines the permanent pumps at number 10 having been removed to prevent them from being submerged. Water was entering No. 10 at the rate of 1,400 gallons per minute. There have been no disturbances of any kind to-date throughout the collieries.

#### WIT REIGNS IN STRIKE AREA.

SYDNEY, Mar. 8. With their ladders replenished at the hands of their more fortunate neighbours, the miners of Cape Breton quit work Friday night following the refusal of the British Empire Steel Corporation to restore credit at the company stores and operate collieries for four and six on a working basis for four days per week, spent perhaps the quietest Sunday in their memory. The long lines of muddy streets lined the dreary cottages characterizing the mining communities of Nova Scotia were unpeopled save for swarms of apparently care free children. Smoke was belching from the smoke stacks of various bankheads where members of the company's clerical staff laboriously fired the boilers furnishing steam for pumps and fans which must be operated, tie-up or no tie-up. In order to keep the mines in operating conditions, but the din of industry was absent. In the towns of miners gathered about the street corners but there was no disturbance and no intermingling. John McLeod, District President of the United Mine Workers of America, discussing the situation to-day said, "We have had a number of conferences in Cape Breton and each time we have agreed something. There was no intermingling during the trouble of last week, there will be none this year. However, there will be no violence. We can avoid it." J. E. McLurg, Vice-President of Besco, was asked this afternoon what effect a ten per cent decrease in the wages scale paid the miners would have on the selling price of a ton of coal. He replied that he was not prepared to answer that question. Instead he showed that in 1923 with a wage scale seven per cent less than the 1923 scale,

#### SHOCKS STILL BEING FELT.

QUEBEC, March 7. Seismic shocks are still being felt in the Charlevoix District, according to advices reaching here. The latest disturbance to be noticed occurred last night at half past nine, but it was slight and did not last for more than a very few seconds.

#### FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF UNION CHURCH.

TORONTO, March 8. The first general assembly of the United Church of Canada will be held in Toronto on June 11, and an invitation to hold this meeting in Trinity Methodist Church has been extended.

#### SIMONS TO BE PRESIDENT AD INTERIM.

BERLIN, March 7. The majority parties in the Reichstag have agreed to frame a measure appointing Dr. Walter Simons, President ad interim of the German Republic. Dr. Simons is a former Foreign Minister and now President of the Supreme Court at Leipzig.

#### CANADA GETTING NEWSPRINT INDUSTRY.

NEW YORK, March 7. The newspaper industry is going to Canada according to A. E. Grambs, President of the International Paper Company. Despatches from Montreal which announced purchases of lands, mills and water power by the Company, means nothing less than the transfer of a large part of United States newsprint to the Dominion, Mr. Grambs said to-day.

#### PRIEST BURIED ALIVE.

KIEV, Ukraine, March 7. Father Andrea Fedoukovich, Polish Catholic Priest, has been buried alive in the town of Jitomir, near here. Authorities allege his assailants are agents of the Polish secret police.

#### JARVIS BEGINS TO PAY FINE.

TORONTO, March 7. There has been action on the huge fine imposed on Amelius Jarvis, bond dealer, and Peter Smith, former Provincial Treasurer of Ontario, who were convicted last year of conspiracy to defraud the Province in certain bond transactions. It was announced by the Attorney General this morning that \$140,000 of the \$600,000 fine imposed had been paid by Mr. Jarvis, who is now serving a six months' sentence at a jail farm, York County.

#### CURZON'S CONDITION UNCHANGED.

LONDON, March 8. The condition of Marquis Curzon was unchanged to-day.

#### \$150,000 FIRE AT MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, March 7. The \$150,000 plant of Danford Bros., cotton and wool manufacturers, was destroyed by fire this morning. The firemen had difficulty in saving the

### Knowing He Must Die of Heart Disease

POLICEMAN "CHEERFULLY" ENDS HIS LIFE.

John Flaherty of Traffic Squad Shoots Himself in Washington Hotel.

Told by a department surgeon, he was doomed to die within a few months of heart disease, Traffic Policeman John Flaherty, forty, of Subdivision A, apparently considered the time too long, for yesterday he was found a suicide in the Whitehill Hotel, No. 103 2nd Street, N.W., Washington. He had shot himself in the throat with his service revolver.

Flaherty, member of the Traffic Squad since 1913, got his warning from the surgeon last Friday. He immediately obtained an indefinite leave of absence.

He packed his belongings in the room he had occupied at No. 70 Bank Street seven years. Saturday morning he said good-by at Traffic Division headquarters in West 20th Street Station.

"I'm going to Miami and then New Zealand," he said. "Am I coming back? I can't say."

The next heard of him was a telegram from Washington announcing his death. He had registered Sunday

at the plant of the Maple Leaf Milling Company, separated only fifteen feet from the burned building.

#### MANITOBA DISCUSSING REDISTRIBUTION.

WINNIPEG, March 8. A redistribution bill, which would reduce the number of seats in the Manitoba Legislature of 45 is under consideration by supporters of the Bracken Government, it was learned Saturday. At present the Legislature is composed of 55 members.

#### DESTRUCTIVE FIRES.

PORT SMITH, Ark., March 8. After a fire last night which destroyed the Port Smith Oil Company with an estimated loss of close to \$30,000, the Renol Gas Company was burned this afternoon with \$300,000 loss.

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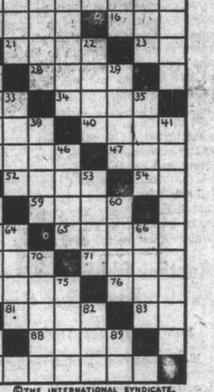
night at the Winston Hotel, Washington, as "John Flannigan." Monday he hired the room at the Whitehill after depositing \$5,300 in a bank. Before ending his life he wrote a note to a brother, James Flaherty of Norwood, Mass. It read: "I am cheerful facing death. I think it grand, after all." Flaherty served in the army from 1907 to 1910. His department record was excellent. He was considered one of the most efficient men on the traffic force.

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#### Household Notes.

Arrange sliced canned peaches between thin slices of pound cake and top with sweetened whipped cream. Season creamed shrimps with a little tomato and chopped green pepper and serve on squares of toast. Left-over muffins can be split open and a layer of sweetened fruit inserted. Top with whipped cream. Chopped prunes, diced celery and nut meats make a nice salad combination. Use mayonnaise dressing. Remember that it is better to have your child a few pounds overweight as a protection from diseases.

### CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



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- HORIZONTAL**
- Smallest quantity
  - Lengthened out
  - In place of
  - Belonging to us
  - Toward
  - Like
  - Ornamental band of ribbon
  - Small insect
  - Eastern State (abbr.)
  - Male descendant
  - Burn
  - Ireland
  - Leaf at
  - Careless person (slang)
  - Ice crystals
  - Part of the face
  - Having a bad odor
  - Discontinue
  - Part of the neck
  - An amphibian
  - Before
  - Toward
  - Important bones of the body
  - Eat away
  - Half an am
  - Confusion
  - Aquatic bird
  - Small biting insect
  - Wander about
  - The spikenard
  - Important
  - Bent
  - Shave off
  - Duty
  - Girl's name
  - Heap
  - Cognizance
  - Pronoun
  - Vibration
  - A fruit
  - Near
  - Point of a pen
  - Groan
  - Harvest
  - South African antelope
  - Grapplers
- VERTICAL**
- A line or thong
  - Man's name (familiar)
  - Short for a female relative
  - Popular beverage (pl.)
  - Toward
  - Floor covering
  - Eagle
  - Absolute monarchs
  - Exclamation
  - Organ of the body
  - Drop slowly
  - Employs
  - In the near future
  - One of two equal portions
  - Tin containers
  - Midday
  - Part of a house
  - Promise to pay
  - Ruler
  - Village
  - Produce by erosion, etc.
  - Poem
  - Lengthy
  - Contrite persons
  - Alarming
  - Black
  - Group of thugs
  - Small
  - Cleaning compound
  - Division of a hospital
  - Part of a range
  - Snare
  - East Indian tree
  - Enough (post.)
  - Drop slowly
  - Square's dimension
  - Liquid measure
  - Choose
  - Declare
  - Nobleman
  - Metal
  - Part of the head
  - Small deer
  - Unit of dry measure (abbr.)
  - Group of Eastern States (abbr.)
  - Price (abbr.)

#### Household Notes.

Lettuce can be kept on hand ready of use if washed, piled in a muslin bag and placed on ice. Cottage pudding is quite nice when spread with currant jelly and served with very thick cream. Flavor cream caramels after taking them from the fire. Shredded coconut can be added, too.

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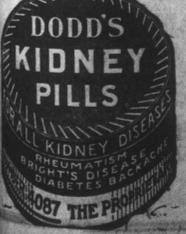
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