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Do You Know
First Provincial Exhibition in New
Brunswick was held in October,
1867?

Venezelos is Forced to Quit Leadership of Greek Affairs

LIBERALS TAKE BALWILL

LEADER OF GREEKS ASKS TO RESIGN

Returns in Triumph, But Heart Gives Out on Him.

URGED TO REMAIN

Two Hundred Delegates Press Former Premier to Continue Fight.

BY ANTHONY PAPPAYANAKIS.

(British United Press.)

Athens, Jan. 7.—Ill health has forced Eleutherios Venezelos to resign the leadership of Greek affairs. Returning in triumph, hailed as the strong man of his country, Venezelos was no sooner elected President of the National Assembly than a troublesome heart forced him to retire. The former Premier wrote to his followers that they must elect another leader "from the ranks of distinguished statesmen of the Liberal party, and that if one could be found ready to undertake formation of a cabinet, Venezelos was determined to resign."

Ask Venezelos To Stay

Two hundred moderate Democrats and Venizelistas met today and deliberated on the choice of a leader. All were agreed, however, that Venizelos must at all odds be persuaded to retain the party leadership otherwise it was proposed the party should dissolve and await his convalescence. But the ex-premier insisted he would prefer that another take his place, while he went abroad in self exile.

PROBE IS BEGUN IN NEWFOUNDLAND

Investigation of Charges That Led to Resignation of Sir Richard Squires.

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 7.—(By Canadian Press.)—The long expected inquiry into charges that led to the resignation of Sir Richard Squires as premier and the downfall of his government last summer began today in the legislative council chamber, Colonial Building, before Holly Walker, K.C., appointee of the colonial office, London.

Those appearing as counsel included the Attorney-General, Hon. W. R. Warren, H. A. Winter and C. E. Hunt, for the government, and W. R. Howley, K.C., for Sir Richard Squires, and Hon. Dr. Campbell.

It is reported that an ex-estate attorney, Merton Elmer Lewis of New York, is coming from the U. S. to assist in the defence of Sir Richard Squires. J. T. Meaney, former liquor controller, will not be represented by counsel.

The seasons which are expected to last a month will be open to the public.

SEINE LOWERS BUT THE PEOPLE SUFFER

Gas Pipes Fill With Water and People Cannot Heat Homes or Cook.

Paris, Jan. 7.—The flood waters of the Seine continue to subside, but so slowly—about one inch in two hours—that the unfortunate inhabitants of the inundated suburbs must bear their lot as best they can for several days. The frost that shortened their ordeal has also made it more arduous for most of the water is covered with a thick coat of ice, making navigation of the supply boats a difficult task.

Another disagreeable feature of the situation is that the gas pipes are filled with water and the wretched people whose coal supply is submerged in their cellars are deprived of gas for heating and cooking.

The weather prophets predict that the weather is about to change to rain, which, however, will not reach Paris for some days, when it can have no effect on the flood situation.

Scotch Town Sees Shower of Money

(By Dominion News Service.)

London, Jan. 7.—The unusual spectacle of hundreds of bank bills flying through the air in a Scottish town was seen in Stonehaven, Kincardineshire. As a lady was motor-ing through, one of the doors of the car burst open and a bag containing notes to the value of \$3,500 fell into the street. On falling the bag burst open and the notes were scattered by the high wind. School children, with true Scottish alertness, took up this new kind of "paper-chase," and within a short time the bulk of the money had been recovered. The search still continues.

The whole of the neighborhood is said to be on the alert—and hopeful.

POPE PIUS PLANS FOR "HOLY YEAR"

Several Canonizations of 1925 Include Mother Barat, Foundress of Sacred Heart Nuns.

Rome, Jan. 7.—Pope Pius wishes Holy Year, which falls in 1925, to be a period of solemn celebrations and re-joicing of the Catholic Church, centered in Rome, but extending throughout the world. He desires to give unprecedented splendor to the traditional function of opening the holy door of the Basilica of St. Peter's, which is performed every jubilee.

In the meantime work is progressing actively in the Vatican gardens and the courtyard of Beveleviere in preparation for a missionary exhibition demonstrating the work of Catholic missionaries in distant heathen countries.

The pontiff yesterday approved a decree sanctioning the miracles attributed to the Blessed Marie Madeleine Portal, foundress of the Sisters of the Christian Schools of Mercy, whose canonization will be among the events of Holy Year.

Four or five other canonizations will also be celebrated, including the Blessed Theresa of the Child Jesus, who was beatified last year; the Blessed Barat, foundress of the nuns of the Sacred Heart, and Father Vianney, a famous priest of Ars, France, culminating in the canonization of the Blessed Peter Canisius, upholder of Catholicism during the reformation in Germany.

Spain and various other countries have expressed an interest in special delegates to render homage to the pontiff in Holy Year.

Took Paris Green By Mistake; Dead

Montreal, Jan. 7.—A verdict of accidental death was returned by Coroner McMahon in the case of Mrs. Josephine Choquette, who was Louise Lussier, 22 years of age, of this city, who died from the effects of paris-green poisoning.

The woman had been suffering from a toothache and a doctor had given her a prescription. By mistake she took a bottle containing paris green.

Wire Briefs

Halifax, Jan. 7.—The Red Star liner Captain Howell, arrived in port today.

Ottawa, Jan. 7.—No change in the condition of Rt. Hon. W. S. Fielding took place over the week-end, according to his physicians.

Merchantville, N. J., Jan. 7.—St. Peter's Catholic church here was destroyed by fire late last night with an estimated loss of more than \$100,000.

Saranac Lake, N. Y., Jan. 7.—The heaviest snowstorm of the season thus far raged here today. The snow drifted somewhat, but did not interfere with traffic.

Strassbourg, Sask., Jan. 7.—Three persons were overcome by smoke and had to be rescued from the Mathewson block, which was destroyed by fire early yesterday. The loss is estimated at approximately \$45,000.

Kitchener, Ont., Jan. 7.—Kitcheners walked to their employment today. The high wind and fine snow which prevailed practically the entire 24 hours of Sunday resulted in a complete tie-up of street car service.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The coast guard cutter Manning, anchored at Cape Cod and the mine sweeper Owl had sailed early today in their search for the dismantled battleship Louisiana which broke adrift Saturday night with seven men aboard.

COLD WAVE KILLS MANY; LOSS HEAVY

Score Dead and Millions of Dollars of Damage Reported.

22 BELOW ZERO

Disastrous Fires Follow in Wake of Cold Wave in United States.

(By Canadian Press.)

New York, Jan. 7.—With more than a score dead and millions of dollars damage from fires directly attributable to the wave of extreme cold that swept all sections of the U. S. Saturday, the weather bureau now reports warm temperatures in prospect.

The death list in Chicago stood at six. Temperatures there ranged from 10 below zero to 22 below, with a steady upward climb in progress today.

Three deaths were reported from St. Louis, and at St. Paul, a park policeman was frozen to death. Pittsburgh reported two persons frozen to death and two burned to death. Two persons were burned to death in the vicinity of Philadelphia in fires which started from overheated stoves.

Four men lost their lives in a fire at Rushville, Ill., thought to have been caused by a stove. At Pleasant, N. J., the body of Miss Emily Plush, of Boplin, N. J., was found frozen at the edge of the Manassas River. She had abandoned her automobile which had become stalled, and succumbed to the cold—while seeking assistance.

Five follows Cold Wave.

Disastrous fires followed in the wake of the cold wave. At Cleveland cold to 129 persons to death in one street where fire destroyed a home and damaged two apartment houses.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—The Middle West, Plains states and the Ohio valley, came a return of normal temperatures today while the sub zero blasts that wrought havoc for 48 hours spent themselves in attacks on the east and south.

With the exception of Florida, the entire south was held icebound Sunday, but the forecast indicates that the mercury will rise during the day.

ENDS HALF CENTURY OF SEAFARING LIFE

Skipper Was a Fisherman at 10 and Sailed 6,000,000 Miles.

New York, Jan. 5.—Capt. Adrian Zeeder, native of South Africa, after following the sea, chiefly as an American skipper, for fifty years, hauled down his flag from the Panama Pacific liner Manchuria, in from San Francisco, and took a temporary shore berth in the Lotus Club, of which he has been a member many years.

Later he will visit his old home near Cape Town, stop in England a few months and eventually settle down in San Francisco at the Bohemian Club.

Captain Zeeder looks younger than his 60 years and says he feels almost juvenile. He began seafaring when he was 10, going out of Cape Town in fishing smacks, and has covered nearly 6,000,000 miles, mostly on the Pacific. He was in sail eleven years, became master of the bark Baracosta in 1890 and later went with the old Pacific Mail line as a skipper. He was 20 years in the China trade.

When he was without a ship in 1900 he headed what he calls an "enter-prise" which might have resulted in his becoming Vice-President of Guatemala if his ship had not got on the wrong side of a river with its cargo of guns for revolutionists.

The Guatemalan adventure caused him to be called "King Zeeder," as it was supposed he would eventually become boss of the country. The death of another Pacific Mail skipper, took Captain Zeeder back to his old berth as a sea rover.

Plead For Employees Who Robbed Them

(By Dominion News Service.)

London, Jan. 7.—Teaching plans for leniency for a man and girl who had robbed them were made by the directors of a Brighton firm in the local police court a few days ago. Before the court were Nathan Bennett, 28, former shop manager, and the girl, a clerk, charged with embezzlement. The man and girl had shared the money, about \$400 in all. Ward had been sentenced to three months' hard labor and Lietz to one month's hard labor, when the managing director made an appeal for leniency.

"You should appreciate the goodness of your heart, but what you wish is impossible," said the chairman. The sentences were ordered to stand.

SUDDEN DEATH COMES TO EIGHT

Five Men and Three Women Succumb Over Week End in Toronto.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—Five men and three women died suddenly here over the week-end, the majority from heart trouble.

Mrs. Mary Ann Farrell, aged 76, died in her train with her hand on the sunshade when she collapsed and died. Alex. Mansion, aged 28, died in her home last night after a friend last night. He had barely entered the house and remarked how warm the night was, when he collapsed on the floor.

Robert Galloway, aged 65, was found dead in the kitchen of his home on Saturday morning following a heart attack, and Fred Morley, aged 60, was stricken with heart trouble while chopping wood.

After suffering for some time with heart trouble, Mrs. Alice Ann Egbert, aged 28, died in her home last night. Matthew Atkinson, 59 years, went into the yard yesterday and soon afterwards a neighbor observed him lying in the snow, dead. Mrs. Maud Nicholson, aged 41, collapsed in her bath.

James H. Jewers, aged 75, died suddenly last night of heart trouble from which he had suffered for some time. One in Kitchen.

Kitchener, Ont., Jan. 7.—While sitting in the waiting room of a local doctor's office on Saturday afternoon, a neighbor observed him lying in the snow, dead. He was a brother of Otto Klitz, Dominion Meteorologist, who died in Ottawa on Dec. 31.

Every Limb of Aviator Broken

Toulon, Jan. 7.—The medical examination of the body of Lieut. Grandad, commander of the dirigible Dik-mude, has shown that the officer received a violent shock, that all his limbs were broken, and that he was dead before he fell into the sea. These facts, the experts believe, show beyond doubt that dirigible exploded and that her cars dashed downward with terrific speed, the bodies of the aviators being hurled against the water. All the cars, according to regulations, were closed except that of the commandeer.

Babies' Fund Grows; Now Stands At About \$150

Very gratifying growth of the fund for the quadruplets brought to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mahaney on Christmas Day is the pleasing announcement that The Times is able to make this afternoon. The contributions took a decided spurt on Saturday afternoon and more came in this morning. Though the closing time has been passed, the money still coming in is very thankfully received. The total now has reached the vicinity of \$150. It will be a day or so before the matter can be finally ended and the people's \$1 gifts in honor of the four children presented.

The quadruplets who were christened at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mahaney have been listed as milk fund babies of the St. John Women's Council and will receive their supply of milk through the operation of the fund which is supervised by the aid sent by the DeMott's Chapter of the L. O. D. E.

Just how expensive liquors quadruplets are can be imagined when it is realized that eight quarts of milk were just one of the items of everyday expenditure before the babies were placed on the list as Women's Council milk fund babies. The household numbers the four babies, the \$1 each.

JAPANESE ARE ANXIOUS OVER PLOTS

Extreme Police Measures are Being Taken to Avoid Future Trouble.

ROYALTY ATTACKED

Tibetans Pour Over Border Into China Recently and Loot Towns.

British Official Press

Tokyo, Jan. 7.—The Japanese Government is evincing anxiety over widespread anti-Japanese plots among Koreans here.

Extreme police measures are being taken to avoid future trouble, following the arrest of a 23-year-old Korean who threw three bombs at the main entrance of the Palace grounds Saturday. The incident marks the second attack on Royalty within a few days.

Immediately after the bombings a rigid censorship was established. The Yamamoto cabinet which took office while the earth was still trembling with shocks of the great earthquake, went into its final meeting to consider the attack. Its career ended as it began amid excitement.

May Not Delay Wedding.

It is not believed that the attack will delay the wedding of Prince Regent Hirohito and Princess Kuni, but it may result in the wedding being celebrated with less public display than was contemplated.

The savage Tibetans poured over the border into China recently, the report stated, and surrounded the walled city of Bating, burning and looting all surrounding villages.

Chinese garrisons of the district fled, or had disappeared shortly before the appearance of the savages and assistance is declared to be impossible for weeks.

REVELLERS ARE SENT TO WORK HOUSE

Commissioner of Munich Bans Champagne Parties in Midst of Poverty.

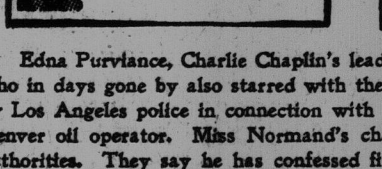
Munich, Jan. 7.—Wine, women and song have been banished by Commissioner von Kahr, who has started a campaign to rid the Bavarian capital of highrollers who engage the public by giving champagne parties while so many persons are without bread. Private wine-dinner parties are being raided and wine profiteers who are trying to spend their earnings in riotous living are having a hard time.

In a recent round-up of luxurious restaurants which were catering to customers who violated closing hours, the police arrested over-dressed and bed-dimmed merry-makers who were stranded immediately to the work-house and put at hard labor.

Questioned In Shooting

(By Canadian Press.)

Edna Purviance, Charlie Chaplin's leading lady (left), and Mabel Normand, who in days gone by also starred with the slapstick king, have been questioned by Los Angeles police in connection with the shooting of C. F. Dines, wealthy Denver oil operator. Miss Normand's chauffeur, R. C. Greer, is held by the authorities. They say he has confessed firing the shot that wounded Dines.



Gnawing Conscience Leads Buyer To Police; Confesses 2 Murders

Blamerville, N. B., Jan. 7.—Unable to sleep and declaring that his conscience bothered him, Joseph Berger, 25, a farmer, formerly of Richardson, confessed to authorities yesterday that he had slain two unidentified workmen near Jamestown, N. D., last fall. Berger was charged with first degree murder.

Berger applied for lodging at the police station here on Friday night. He paced the floor all night and on Saturday was questioned by Chief Martinson, who summoned Jamestown officers. Yesterday Berger told his story.

Berger and the two men were members of a threshing crew working near Jamestown. On August 18 they quit work and decided to celebrate, obtaining some home brew, according to the confession. Some time later they met at a straw stack near Jamestown and when the men "kissed" him and would not let him sleep, he became angry and left them. He went to an abandoned farm shack nearby, obtaining a pump handle, returned and killed the two, according to the confession and robbed them of \$150. Since then, he said, he has wandered from place to place, with the crime haunting him.

On September 4 the bodies were found in the straw stack. One man was about 22 years of age and the other about 28 or 30. No one could identify them. Berger said he did not know their names and their identity is still a mystery.

MANNING DOHERTY WILL NOT BE LEADER

Former St. John Man Makes Statement Re Farmers' Group in Ontario.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—Following an announcement by Hon. W. F. Raney that he would be unable to accept the position of leader of the Progressive group in the Ontario legislature, it is said that the question of party leadership is again wide open and that the United Farmers will hold a conference before the opening of the legislature to select a leader. Hon. Manning Doherty said last night that he would not lead the group.

MAY NOT SEE ROYAL MUMMY FOR MONTHS

Difficulties Faced by Explorers at Tomb of Tut; Dissention Also Reported.

Luxor, Jan. 7.—Contrary to expectations, the tomb of Tutankhamen was not opened on Sunday, Howard Carter again being indisposed. Dissention between excavators and the department of antiquities, has reached an acute stage. There is considerable comment at the absence of Professor Pierre Lacau, director of the department, when the successive shrines were opened on Thursday to disclose the sarcophagus. The grounds of the dispute are said to lie in the question of visitors, the department objecting to the unrestricted admission to the tomb granted by Mr. Carter to his journalistic associates.

The world may have to wait until next season before the mummy of the king can be unwrapped and radiographed to establish two important historical points, namely the age at time of death of this ruler, and whether the cause of death was natural, or Tutankhamen, as some hold, slain by his successor, King Ay. Many difficulties remain to be overcome.

The Egyptian government has decided to leave the king's body where it lies in the sarcophagus.

LABOR SAYS PLAN WILL BEAT PARTY

Laborite Daily Herald Indicates Section of Unions to Aid Premier.

"WILD MEN" ARRIVE

Report Says Clyde Labor Men Will Break Away From Leaders.

(By Canadian Press.)

London, Jan. 7.—The lingering rumors of some eleventh-hour arrangement whereby the threatened action of the Liberals to help Labor into the government may be avoided, include one given publicity by the Laborite Daily Mail.

This report is vague, but it indicates a belief that a section of the Liberal party has already come to an arrangement with the Conservatives whereby the present government may be saved.

Editorially the Herald says: "Whether Labor takes the government side depends upon the success of this latest angle, which must be taken more seriously than Lord Rothermer's feverish demands that somebody shall save his millions from the capital levy."

To Defeat Labor? The reference is to the Daily Mail's campaign in favor of a Liberal-Conservative union to keep Labor out of power.

The M. P.'s of the country are flocking to London today preparatory to the re-assembly of the House of Commons tomorrow.

Among the arrivals are the members of Glasgow's Labor contingent, popularly regarded as "the wild man" of the Labor movement. They were accompanied by an enthusiastic public secretary in Glasgow last evening in the course of which many speeches were made.

Bullie Dolan, chairman of the group, told the crowd that the new Labor members were not going to London with the idea of becoming cabinet ministers, but were rather taking their seats in parliament as missionaries of Socialism.

Rich Are Terrified. An eye is told that the rich people are terrified by the prospects of Labor getting into power. He said: "Well may they be terrified. What is the use of Labor getting power if the rich are to be pleased? Labor is going into power to displace the rich and to satisfy the needs of the masses. The rich are determined that the rich shall for a living instead of living in a tenuous luxurious ease."

M's Forsake Leaders. Another speaker referred to predictions that the Clyde Labor men would break away from their leaders and form an extremist section. He denied that they had any notion of this sort, asserting that their aim was to keep the Labor party to its great fundamental principles and ultimate ideals. However, they did not wish to see the party in office without power and would rather remain the official opposition; in fact, it might be well for them to defer acceptance of office a year or two until certain that the necessary power would accompany their accession to the ministry.

Want Huts For People Ejected. London, Jan. 7.—(Canadian Press.)—A deputation representing the Bradford Labor party, in an interview with the Lord Mayor regarding the housing shortage, suggested that four or five hundred wooden huts should be provided as temporary dwellings for people who had been ejected from their houses under the rent restriction act. The Lord Mayor undertook to submit the proposal to the ministry of health.

Weather Report

Toronto, Jan. 7.—The disturbance which was near the middle Atlantic coast on Saturday passed across Nova Scotia during Sunday, giving gales with snow in the Maritime Provinces while that which was in the western provinces passed quickly across Northern Ontario, giving southwest gales in Ontario and Quebec. The temperature is now quite moderate throughout the Dominion.

Snow; Moderate Temperature. Maritime—Fresh west and north-west winds, partly cloudy with snow flurries today and Tuesday with moderate temperature.

New England—Fair tonight and Tuesday; colder tonight; strong westerly winds diminishing.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—Temperatures: Highest Lowest Stations 8 a.m. Yesterday night

Victoria ... 40 42 38
Kamloops ... 28 28 28
Calgary ... 20 48 18
Edmonton ... 22 30 22
Winnipeg ... 2 22 42
St. John ... 18 6 16
Halifax ... 30 22 6
New York ... 24 28 20

Below Zero.