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CHINESE SOLDIERS PILLAGE MISSIONS

COMMUNICATION WITH HANKOW IS INTERRUPTED

U. S. Missionaries At Fukien Ordered to Abandon Posts

MANY OUTRAGES

Students Destroy Spanish Dominican Orphanage and Drive Out Nuns

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—(Chinese) The Commercial Cable Company today was advised that communications with Hankow have been cut off by the interruption of all lines on the Yangtze river beyond Kiukiang.

Mine Workers and Shoe Manufacturers Association Seek Tariff Changes

Former Crown Prince Turns Movie Actor

PARIS, Jan. 15.—The former Crown Prince of Germany has signed a contract to star in a motion picture to be called "The Prince of Wieringen," according to reports received here today from Wieringen, Holland. The film is to be produced under the auspices of an American company. It was stated, and the Prince is to be paid a fee of 200,000 marks. The Prince is expected to reach Wieringen, where the film will be made, on Jan. 26.

CHAPLIN GIVES HIS VERSION OF TROUBLES

Screen Comedian to File Counter Suit For Divorce

DENIES CHARGES

Declares Wife's Family to Blame for "Viperous, Terrible Accusations"

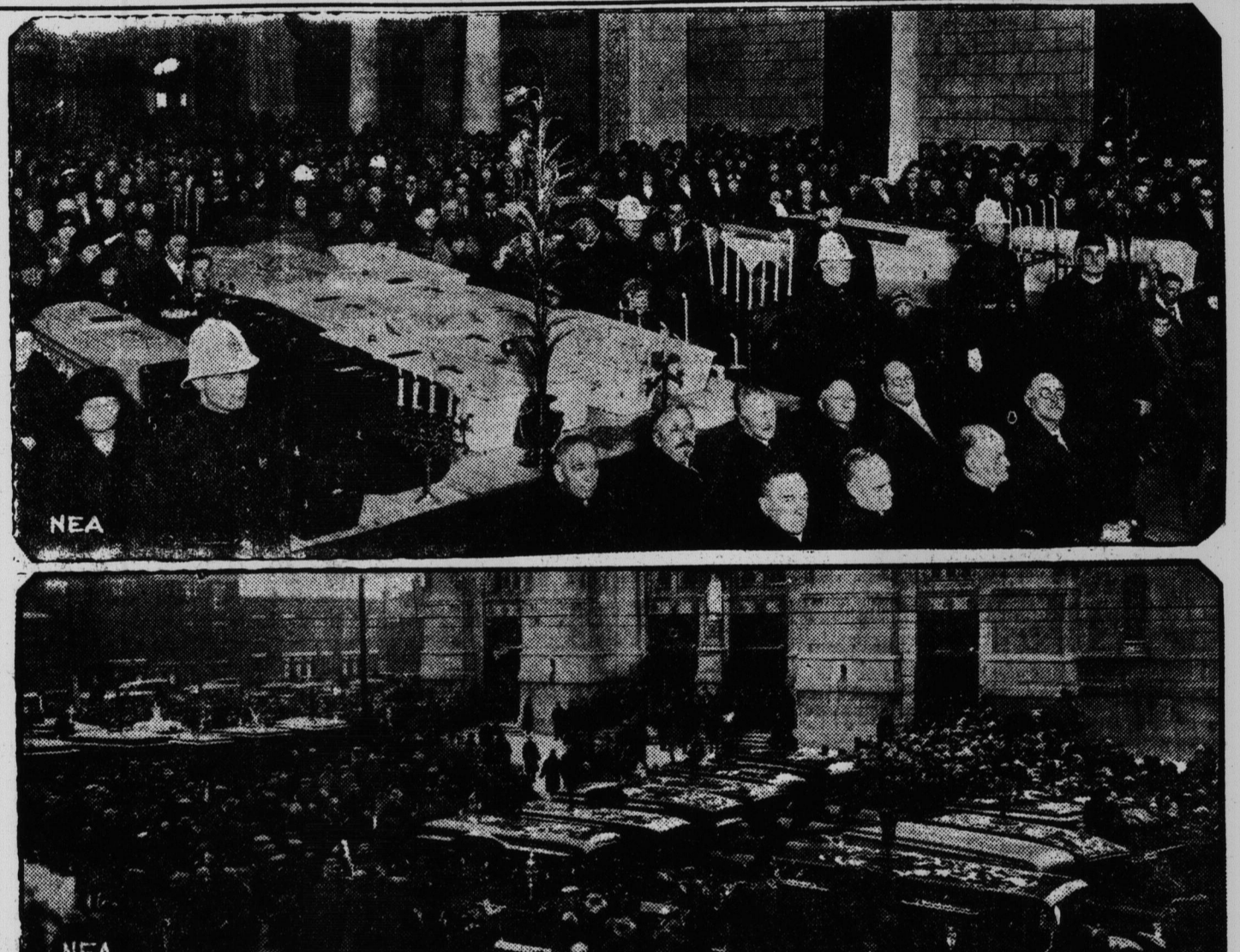
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NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Charles Spencer Chaplin is ready to fight for his children, and will answer his wife's charges in a counter suit for divorce, as soon as possible.

The motion picture comedian, who arrived here yesterday from the Pacific coast, placed upon his wife's family the blame for the "viperous, terrible accusations" made against him in the divorce charges filed by his wife, Lita Grey Chaplin.

"It's cruel and unjustified, this onslaught on me," he said at the home of

Grief-Bowed Montreal Interers Its Theatre Panic Dead



TOP picture shows scenes at services for 39 of the 77 little victims of the fire at the Laurier Palace Theatre, which were held jointly in the Church of the Nativity, Montreal. Below, funeral notes bled forth from the great bell of Notre Dame, rung only when national calamity befalls. Hundreds of relatives and friends of the victims crowded around the caskets within, as shown in this exclusive Times-Star picture.

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They are submitting their brief, it is understood, on the assumption that during the coming session, the Federal parliament will introduce legislation looking to the erection of plants for the use of Canadian coal and they believe that by keeping down the importation of American coal they will mean the release of large quantities of winter coal for conversion into coke.

FLU EPIDEMIC REACHES WORST

LEAGUE OF NATIONS COLLECTS STATISTICS IN EUROPE

GENEVA, Switzerland, Jan. 15.—Telegraphic reports collected by the League of Nations regarding the influenza epidemic in Europe show the disease is present in France, Spain, Scotland, Norway, Poland, Rumania, Jugoslavia, Greece, Bulgaria, Switzerland, Egypt and the Netherlands.

SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC IN ENGLAND GROWS

CITY OF SHEFFIELD ALONE REPORTS 133 CASES; RUSH FOR VACCINATION

LONDON, Jan. 15.—The epidemic of smallpox in England is increasing.

In Sheffield alone 133 cases have been reported to the authorities, and there is a general rush on the part of citizens to get vaccinated, while thousands are to be seen on the streets wearing a piece of red ribbon on the arm. The disease is said to have spread throughout the entire county of Durham, where 2,446 cases were reported during the past three months. Most of the urban and rural districts are affected, and so serious has the situation become that demands are being made for compulsory vaccination as a means of checking the rapid spread of the disease.

In South Herefordshire, where cases have also been reported, the greatest alarm is felt.

BISHOP DIAZ, MISSING SINCE MONDAY, NEAR GUATEMALAN BORDER

PREPARES TO EMBARK FOR NEW ORLEANS, SAYS DISPATCH; MEXICAN GOVERNMENT REFUSES OIL DRILLING PERMITS; SEIZES CHURCH ANNEXES FOR SCHOOLS.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 15.—Special despatches from Tapachula, which is 24 miles from the Guatemalan border, say that Bishop Diaz of Tabasco left that place late last night for the Guatemalan border, and will embark at Puerto Barrios for New Orleans. Bishop Diaz was arrested last Monday and his whereabouts has since been a mystery.

POPE INTERVIEWS MEXICAN BISHOP

DISCUSSES "DISTRESSING SITUATION" CAUSED BY NEW RELIGIOUS REGULATIONS

ROMA, Jan. 15.—Pope Pius yesterday granted a private audience to Monsignor Valverde, Bishop of Leon, Mexico, with whom he spoke at length about the "distressing situation" caused by the new religious regulations there.

ARREST OF "REDS" IN POLAND REVEALS PLOT

LONDON, Jan. 15.—A Reuter despatch from Warsaw says that a number of Communists have been arrested in various districts of Poland as a result of a recent discovery of plots against the government. Three members of the Diet were among those arrested.

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INCOME TAX YIELD TOTALS \$58,571,961

OTTAWA FIGURES SHOW THAT 158,253 SALARIED WORKERS PAID LEVY

OTTAWA, Jan. 15.—In the fiscal year of 1926-27 income tax to the Federal Government was paid by 215,277 Canadians to the amount of \$58,571,961.97. Of this total, it was shown in figures made public, 3,648 farmers paid income tax and of this number 3,077 were located in the three prairie provinces. Saskatchewan leading with 1,837 income-taxed farmers.

VENETI SPEAKS AT MOTHER'S BIRTHPLACE

ANTIGONISH, N. S., Jan. 15.—Postmaster-General Hon. P. J. Veniot, of New Brunswick, yesterday told the electors of Pomquet, this county, that he was speaking in the birth place of his mother and that his father was a native of Antigonish, close by. He himself was born in Pictou, he said.

RANGER BADLY HURT BY STRANGE BIRD

EUCLIDE BEAUCO ATTACKED WHILE MEASURING LUMBER IN QUEBEC WOODS

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THREE RIVERS, Que., Jan. 15.—Euclide Beaucou, wood ranger of Spring Creek, was attacked by a large bird of prey while measuring lumber in the woods near here. The bird suddenly descended upon the woodsman, seized him with its long legs, gnashed at his head with its claws and pecked at his head with its beak. Beaucou was unable to disentangle himself from the bird. He shouted for assistance. When rescued his body was practically covered with small wounds and he was almost exhausted from loss of blood.

K. OF C. HEAD DENIES FORCING U. S. TO WAR

FLAHERTY DESCRIBES ACCUSATIONS IN MEXICAN TROUBLE AS "INCREDIBLE NONSENSE"

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NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 15.—James A. Flaherty supreme head of the Knights of Columbus, in a statement issued last night, described as "incredible nonsense," accusations made that the Knights of Columbus are seeking to embroil the United States and Mexico in war, and are devoting themselves in any manner to this object.

MARCONI FINANCES IN WEAK CONDITION

SENSATIONS PROMISED IN COMPANY'S REPORT DUE IN FEW DAYS

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE, Jan. 15.—Sensations are promised when the report on the finances of the Marconi Company is issued, probably towards the end of next week, according to information reaching British United Press today.

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OFFICIALS GOING TO WOODSTOCK MEET

SPECIAL TRAIN TO BE RUN FROM CAPITAL FOR N. B. FARMERS' CONVENTION

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES-STAR

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 15.—The majority of the officials of the Department of Agriculture are to proceed to Woodstock next week to attend the fifty-first annual convention of the New Brunswick Farmers' and Dairywomen's Association. The eighth annual convention and cheese and butter show of the New Brunswick Dairywomen United will take place also, and the New Brunswick Sheep Breeders' Association will meet.

50 BELOW ZERO IN NORTHERN ONTARIO

EXTREME WEATHER CAUSES TROUBLE FOR TELEGRAPH COMPANIES; WIRES SNAPPING

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 15.—Although the thermometer at the Central Experimental Farm registered only 6½ degrees below zero this morning, a snapping north wind made it seem much colder. The telegraph companies, however, report bitter cold in Northern Ontario. They are having considerable trouble with their wires in the districts of Chapeau and White River, where unofficial reports this morning give the temperature at 50 and more degrees below zero. The extreme contraction in such weather is causing a number of the wires to break.

GODERICH M. P. DIES

JOHN W. KING, PROGRESSIVE REPRESENTED NORTH HURON

GODERICH, Ont., Jan. 15.—John Warwick King, Progressive member of Parliament for North Huron, died at his home at Blue Vale from a sudden attack of heart trouble. He was in his 70th year. Mr. King was first elected to Parliament from North Huron in 1921 and was re-elected again in 1925 and 1926.

J.R. DUNCAN, SHERBROOK MERCHANT, DIES TODAY

SHERBROOKE, Que., Jan. 15.—James R. Duncan, well known merchant of this city, passed away shortly before noon today, after a short illness from pneumonia. Mr. Duncan was born at Dundee, Scotland, on October 4, 1872, and came to Sherbrooke with his parents in 1879.

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THE COKE SITUATION

It is understood that district executive officers are not concerning themselves with all of the matters set forth in the application, but they will in their brief confine their attention chiefly to a request for an increase of duty on coke imported for domestic uses and also a request for the abolition of the rebate on coke used in by-product coke ovens.

SHOE TARIFFS

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 15.—(By Canadian Press) An application by the Shoe Manufacturers' Association of Canada for revision of the tariff on boots and shoes, has been added to the agenda for the sittings of the Federal tariff board which is to open on February 1. This application, which the board hopes to reach by February 3, asks in part:

That the British preference on boots, shoes, slippers, etc., be reduced, so as to read in the tariff schedule, 25 per cent. instead of 17½ per cent as at present.

That slipper cloth of camel hair, wool and cotton, imported by slipper manufacturers, be admitted free, all tariffs.

VALUE FOR DUTY

Not that the customs act be revised to provide that the value for duty shall be not less than the cost of production of similar goods in the principal markets of the country of export, plus a reasonable profit.

That the present limitation of dumping duty to 15 per cent. be repealed, in order to provide a more effective deterrent.

NEVER REACHED FUNDS

The premier continuing, said that another thing was that such money contributed to campaign funds, never reached those funds.

There was a strong suspicion that sums contributed for the purpose were going to get away from that condition? They could hardly put a law on the statute books forcing persons to refund money. The disposition to take it was too strong a trait of human nature, but if the opposition could devise legislation to better conditions, he would be with them in their efforts.

EXPLORER ROBBED

F. MITCHELL-HEDGES REPORTS LOSS OF IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

LONDON, Jan. 15.—F. Mitchell-Hedges, Latin-American explorer, today was held up near Wisley as he was going by automobile from Bourne-mouth to London. The explorer told police he had been robbed of a "document of great importance."

BOSTON FISH PRICES

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 15.—Quotations on the Boston fish market today were as follows: Large cod, 8 to 8½; market cod, 6 to 7; haddock, 7 to 8; pollock, 5 to 6; hake, 7½ to 8; cusk, 8 to 9.

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SYNOPSIS.—The western high pressure has moved to the Great Lakes and Middle States, accompanied by a cold wave of unusual severity, while the trough of low, which was over the St. Lawrence Valley, and Middle States yesterday is now off the Atlantic coast with indications that it will become an important storm.

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MARITIME: East and north-east gales, rain, falling to snow, Sunday, northwest gales, clearing and much colder.

NEW ENGLAND: Generally fair and colder tonight, preceded by snow in east portion this afternoon. Cold wave expected in western Massachusetts tonight, clearing Sunday in Massachusetts, strong north and northwest winds, diminishing late tonight.

Temperatures

	Highest during day	Lowest
Victoria.....	40	40
Winnipeg.....	2	—
Toronto.....	9	10
Kingston.....	4	—
Ottawa.....	4	—
Montreal.....	0	—
Quebec.....	12	—
Saint John.....	31	—
Halifax.....	42	—

Below zero.