

DAIL PEACE COMMITTEE HAS FAILED TO REACH BASIS FOR UNITING OPPOSING FACTIONS

Two Sides Have Failed, Even on Basis for Peace or Anything Else.

DUBLIN PREPARED FOR THE WORST

All Are at Sea Over Scope of Treaty — Further Warfare Expected.

Dublin, May 10.—Peace in Ireland seems far off. The Dail Eireann Peace committee has failed to reach a basis for a settlement between the opposing factions. The report of the committee, presented today, was confined to the bare announcement that, after eleven sessions, the two sides had failed to agree even on a basis for peace. Furthermore, they were not agreed in a joint report on the reasons for failure. Those on the treaty side had prepared a statement of their case, but it was decided not to hear it until the other side had prepared a corresponding statement. The Dail Eireann will tomorrow consider the two reports.

Doubtful Over Truce

The important question was immediately raised as to whether the truce terminated this afternoon or continued till at least tomorrow. The Dail did not pronounce on this principle, the idea, as expressed by Speaker MacNeill, being that the discussion of such a question implied the admission that before the conference there existed a recognized state of war. The truce was really a separate transaction between the rival sections of the army, and Arthur Griffith, president of the Dail, said it must be left to the military. This places renewal of hostilities in a position of doubt in the public mind, and Dublin is prepared to pass an uneasy night.

HEAVY IMPORTS OF AUTOMOBILES

Government, in Four Years, Collected \$15,960,121.96 in Duties—\$4,253,438.29 on Trucks.

Ottawa, May 10.—Answering a question placed on the order paper in the Commons by G. G. Coole, Progressive Member, in the House today, Hon. Jacques Curran, Minister of Customs and Excise, gave a series of interesting automobile import statistics covering the fiscal years from 1918 to 1922 inclusive. In these years a total of 46,484 passenger automobiles, valued at \$45,749,115 were brought into Canada, paying a duty of \$15,960,121.96. In the same years 7,494 freight automobiles were imported. These were valued at \$2,497,714, and paid a total duty of \$4,253,438.29.

MINISTER VENIOT TO SPEND SOME MONEY

Expects to Lay Out Half Million Dollars on Permanent Bridges in N. B.

Fredericton, N. B., May 10.—Approximately \$500,000 will be expended in the construction of permanent bridges in New Brunswick this year. Hon. P. J. Veniot, Minister of Public Works, who is here on departmental business, said today.

Between 20 and 25 new permanent bridges will be constructed, but the season's complete programme has not been finally made up in respect to either bridges or permanent roads. There is a considerable reduction in costs of all kinds of construction work as compared with last year, and this, it is expected, will be reflected in the contracts when awarded.

The first lot of contracts for new Federal-aided highways work will be awarded next week, but it would be some time later before any new bridge contracts are let. Meanwhile contractors are preparing to complete some of last year's projects.

U. S. GOVERNMENT GIVES ASSENT

Has Removed Its Opposition to British Mandate for Palestine.

Geneva, May 10.—The United States Government finally consented to the British mandate for Palestine, the Earl of Balfour informed the League of Nations tonight. Tomorrow he will present the council of the League to confirm the British mandate for Palestine during its forthcoming session, according to information obtained tonight.

Outlook For Agriculture In Britain Especially Bad

London, May 10.—(Canadian Press Cable)—Sir Walter Runciman, in his presidential address to the Association of Trade Protection Societies at the annual meeting in London today, said he did not consider seriously the talk about dewing prosperity and the risks in the clouds. He was convinced, he said, that in some trades the worst had not been reached yet, and the outlook for agriculture was especially bleak. In short, the country was poverty-stricken. He deprecated violent reductions in credit facilities. The primary condition to the return of good trade was stability. The heavy mutual obligations of the Allies, and the obligations of enemies to the Allies, must be settled in the most prompt manner, Sir Walter said.

PROTECTING DYKES ALONG RIVER ASSINABOINE ARE SWEEPED AWAY

Waters Creeping Over Thousands of Seeded Acres Here-tore Out of Danger.

Winnipeg, May 10.—Heavy rains throughout the night have contributed to a further rise of the Assinaboine river and protecting dykes along its banks have been swept away and the water is now creeping over thousands of seeded acres hitherto out of danger. Instead of the peak being reached Tuesday as expected, several points reported a rise varying from one to nearly two inches.

A foot of flat boats has been put into operation in the Poplar Point area and farmers are paddling to and from town, releasing many persons who have been marooned in the upper stores of their homes.

Four thousand acres of seeded land are now under water there. No rise was reported during the night but the overflow is settling over a larger area. Farmers in many districts are driving their cattle to the bush and are moving their valuables to safe spots in the highlands.

For a 12-mile stretch, three miles wide the river has overflowed its banks at Beriville. The water is eighteen inches deep and spreading rapidly. Hutterites, living in this district are leaving their homes and seeking shelter in the highlands near Beriville.

With the help of nearby farmers they have driven their cattle to the hills. The prospective crop estimated at \$300,000 has been washed away.

FEELING DISPLAYED IN BRITISH HOUSE

Arose Over Questions Pertaining to British Officers Kidnapped in Ireland.

London, May 10.—Some feeling was displayed in the House of Commons this afternoon when questions were sought to obtain information regarding the whereabouts of three British officers kidnapped a fortnight ago in Southern Ireland. Sir Hamar Greenwood, Secretary for Ireland, said he had no information on the subject, but that General Sir Nevill Macready, the Commander in Ireland, was taking all possible steps to find out what had become of the officers. The secretary's answers failed to satisfy the questioners, who were successful in an effort to secure leave to move adjournment of the House and debate the question this evening.

McGILL DIPLOMA FOR SACKVILLE GIRL

Laura Margaret Black Granted Degree in Dept. of Physical Education.

Montreal, May 10.—Arthur William Carlisle, D. Sc., of Ottawa, has been appointed Lecturer in Geology at McGill University for 1922-23. He is a third year graduate in geology with honors.

Honor lists for third year in surgery include second prize for second rank standing to W. J. Simon McVail, of Berwick, Ontario. A diploma was granted in the Department of Physical Education to Laura Margaret Black, Sackville, N. B.

SCHR. GRAND DESERT BECOMES TOTAL LOSS

Went Ashore at Bayfield With Load of Herring for Port Elgin.

Charlottetown, P.E.I., May 10.—Schooner Grand Desert, of Magdalen Islands, which went ashore at Bayfield on the north side of Prince Edward Island, is a total loss, having been broken up by a subsequent northwest gale. She was bound from Magdalen Island to Port Elgin, N. B., with a cargo of herring. Captain Leauge and his crew of three men who got ashore safely are still at Bayfield.

TO CONFER WITH SIX NATIONS' INDIANS

Ottawa, May 10.—Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, will leave Saturday for Brantford, where he will confer with the leaders of the Six Nations Indians with a view to the settlement of the present difficulties.

STANDARD OIL CO. BOOSTS GASOLINE

New York, May 10.—The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, today announced an increase of one cent a gallon in the price of gasoline. The new price is 25 cents.

RUSSIA MAKES A SPICY REPLY TO THE ALLIES

Regrets Genoa's Delay in Consideration of Financial Plans for Rebuilding Russia.

PROTESTS AGAINST BEING COMPROMISED

Because They Fail to Take Responsibilities in Light-Hearted Manner.

Genoa, May 10.—The preamble of the Russian reply to the Allies memorandum, it was learned this afternoon, urged the point that the entrance of foreign capital into Russia depends far more upon Russian guarantees for the future than upon discussion of claims. The preamble expresses regret that the Allied memorandum paid more attention to considerations of legal questions than to consideration of a financial arrangement for rebuilding Russia.

The Russians, in their preamble, protest against the attempts of some powers to compromise them because they refuse to take responsibilities lightly and without carefully weighing the possibility of their fulfillment. The reply was that as long as the political and economic quarantine is continued against Russia, such State as practice it cannot but encourage military adventurers attributing to themselves the role of guardians of European civilization.

The Russian reply emphasizes the fact that the conditions of the Cannes resolutions provide for mutual recognition of governmental systems, including property systems and urge the Soviet Government to maintain nationalization.

Would Assist Turkey

In discussing clause I of the Allied memorandum, which forbids Bolshevik propaganda abroad, virtually restricts Russia to her present boundaries and asks Russia to neutralize between Russia and the Greeks, the Russian reply emphasizes the great friendship of Russia for Turkey and offers Russia's services as intermediary between Turkey and the other European nations, in an effort to restore peace in Asia Minor.

Regret is expressed that the Allies did not pay more attention in their memorandum to juridical guarantees which were sent to the resolutions committee. The proposal submitted suggested that the members of the brotherhood should take the matter up and have in view the establishment of co-operative banks in all the principal railroad centres of Canada and the United States.

FUTURE OF CANADA'S NAVY IN DOUBT

Rumors Current That Vessels Are to be Returned to Great Britain.

Ottawa, May 10.—It is expected, in official circles here, that the government will make an announcement of policy regarding the retention or disposal of the cruiser Aurora, and the destroyers Patriot and Patriote—the three war boats presented to Canada by Great Britain—when the naval service estimates are up for discussion in the House.

Rumors that the vessels are to be returned to Great Britain are current but lack official confirmation. "It is an announcement is formally made," it was officially stated today, "it is to be expected that rumors of various kinds will be in circulation, but they are all to be regarded as without foundation."

EARLY SETTLER OF ONTARIO MURDERED

Daughter Discovers Body With Three Revolver Wounds—No Clue to Assailant.

Fort William, Ont., May 10.—Robert Macdonald, an old time settler, was murdered yesterday afternoon near his home at Cloud Bay, near the Minnesota boundary by an unknown assailant. His twenty-year-old daughter discovered the body, which showed three revolver wounds.

WIFE BEATER GIVEN YEAR IN PRISON

Woman Maltreated and Forced to Work to Get Money for Brute.

St. Catharines, Ont., May 10.—One year in Central Prison was the sentence imposed today on William Zearlinsky, a confessor of brute treatment of woman who was married two years ago and bore marks of brutal treatment on her face, declared she was obliged to cover her face with boards while her husband lay around the house and did nothing but spend the money. He denied a charge that he forced her to get out of bed and do house work three days after the birth of her baby.

Crown Attorney Brennan suggested lashes but Magistrate Campbell did not agree.

Three Fatally Injured At Grade Crossing Of C. P. R.

Montreal, May 10.—Father, mother and 8-year-old daughter were fatally injured this morning at the crossing of the highway over the C. P. R. tracks, near the Lacadie Station, when the vehicle in which they were riding was struck by the engine of the Sherbrooke-Montreal Express, eastbound. The victims were flung into the air and dropped nearly 80 feet away from the spot where they were struck. The horses were killed and the vehicle smashed to matchwood. The victims are: Richard Hart, 60, of St. Blaise, Grand Ligne; Mrs. Hart, 40, and Gladys Hart, 8, of the same address.

Mr. and Mrs. Hart were instantly killed, but the child was picked up alive, dying later in the Royal Victoria Hospital, here.

A freight train that was passing the crossing obstructed the view and Mr. Hart drove over the track right into the fast train before he had a chance to stop.

THE CANADIAN CATTLE EMBARGO AGAIN BEFORE BRITISH COMMONS

R'WAY TRAINMEN AGAINST USE OF MOTOR TRUCKS

Their Use Has Tendency to Reduce Freight Rates.

Toronto, May 10.—The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen whose triennial convention convened here today, got down to business after the opening ceremonies.

Included in the resolutions submitted for consideration was one declaring against the use of motor trucks, particularly in California, in the transportation of freight. There were many advantages in a financial way enjoyed by these motor truck routes and they all had a tendency to reduce wages in the railroad services. Other resolutions submitted included a declaration for the preference rights of members of the organization over all non-union men; one eliminating the handling of all excessive parcel post mail by baggage masters; one calling for a re-arrangement of seniority regulations; one providing means for a proper checking up of subordinate local officials; and one calling for the adoption of a standard brake staff and dog on the car equipment.

Co-operative banking was the subject dealt with in another resolution which was sent to the resolutions committee. The proposal submitted suggested that the members of the brotherhood should take the matter up and have in view the establishment of co-operative banks in all the principal railroad centres of Canada and the United States.

CYCLONE SUDDENLY STRIKES WINNIPEG

Long Stretches of Telegraph Poles Levelled — Electric Wires Arc Down.

Winnipeg, May 10.—Striking with extreme suddenness a cyclone, travelling east, crossed the C. P. R. at Beaujour this afternoon shortly after one o'clock. The effect was felt for fully 30 minutes. Long stretches of telegraph poles were levelled and the wires of the Winnipeg Electric Railway and city of Winnipeg fell to the ground.

No loss of life has been reported. As the result of the storm Winnipeg was cut off from telegraphic communication with Eastern Canada. Street car service and manufacturing concerns were disorganized, but later with the aid of an auxiliary power plant, street car service was resumed.

GENERAL TALK ON TARIFF MATTERS

Liberal Caucus Where Members Aired Views But Learned Little.

Ottawa, May 10.—A general talk on tariff matters, with the members airing views but learning little that was new in regard to the finance minister's proposals, is understood to have been the outcome of the caucus of government members which was held here today. With the likelihood of the budget being brought down next week, it is understood that today's gathering was in the nature of a final testing out of opinions of Liberal members from different provinces and sections of the country. The civil service commission and exemptions of certain positions from the operation of the Civil Service Act also came up for discussion as these matters do at all gatherings of members but so far as could be learned little definite was brought out on these questions.

CHRISTMAS HEADS TRIBE OF MICMACS

Triennial Tribal Elections Hotly Contested by Three Candidates.

Sydney, N. S., May 10.—Ben B. Christmas was elected local chief of the Micmacs at the triennial tribal election held today with superintendent A. J. Boyd conducting the poll. It was a close contest, Christmas defeating the chief, Pat Joseph U. Marshall, by only six votes and Peter Donohue, a third candidate, by seven votes. Chief Christmas is only 28 and talks and writes perfect English.

ENDS LIFE WITH CARBOLIC ACID

Mother Sends Her Three Children to School, Then Commits Suicide.

Canoe, N. S., May 10.—After sending her three children to school at noon today, Mrs. Polerin, housekeeper in the home of Joseph Arns, worthy, here, swallowed carbolic acid. Her agonized cries recalled the master of the house, who had just left for his place of business. A doctor was summoned, but the unfortunate woman soon assested away. No reason for the tragedy is known.

GENOA GROWS IMPATIENT OVER DELAYS

Cannot Stand Many More Days of Strain Awaiting Russian Reply.

GERMANY USING ITS GOOD OFFICES

To Have Russians Make Concessions Relative to Restitution of Property of Foreigners.

Genoa, May 10.—The Economic Conference cannot stand many more days of strain such as it has undergone in connection with the framing of the Allied memorandum to the Russian delegations and the rumors connected with the Russian reply, which has been eagerly awaited, for three days, but was not presented today.

The great question bearing on the memorandum, was drafted and re-drafted to meet the objections of the French and Belgians. The Belgians finally refused approval and the French approved it with reservations.

Germans Busy

Every effort has been made by the Allies, and the Germans as well, to have the Russians make concessions relative to the restitution of the property of foreigners in order to prevent disruption of the conference. Repeated changes have been made in the Russian reply to clause seven. M. Tchitcherine conferred with the Italian Foreign Minister, Signor Schanzer, today, and it is reported that further changes are being made in the reply tonight for the purpose of conciliation.

There are also many indications that the French and Belgians are becoming less insistent, and the general feeling in conference circles tonight is that the Russian answer, which is expected tomorrow, will be of such a nature that it will least form a basis for the continuance of the discussions.

Much of the Russian reply has already become known, but the answer to the property clause still is undergoing modification.

M. Harbou, head of the French delegation, forwarded a letter to President Poincaré protesting at the length of time taken by the Soviet delegation to answer the memorandum. He insisted that the delay was not justified and was retarding the work of the conference.

SENATE DEBATES ST. LAWRENCE PROJECT

Senator Casgrain Views Proposition as An Expensive Experiment—Better Leave It Alone.

Ottawa, May 10.—Criticising the St. Lawrence ship canal project in the Senate today, Hon. Senator Casgrain declared it would cost as much as two Canadian Pacific Railways or four Panama Canals and even the most optimistic results claimed by its proponents would not justify the expenditure. He added that the power possibilities of the scheme would not compete with the St. Maurice River in Quebec, where power was developed at \$55 per h. p.

Senator Casgrain will continue his speech on the subject tomorrow. The act to amend the Judges' Act which will add one to the court of appeal at Saskatchewan was given its second reading and sent to committee. The Senate adjourned until tomorrow afternoon.

STRIKE OF PAPER MAKERS AVERTED

International Brotherhood Capitulated to Terms Offered by Manufacturers.

New York, May 10.—The International Brotherhood of Paper Makers today capitulated to the terms offered by the manufacturers two weeks ago, thus retaining their present wage scale, eliminating non-skilled organizations from consideration in the future wage agreements and averting a threatened strike in the industry.

CAPT. SPICER OF PARRSBORO DEAD

Was Engaged in Shipbuilding and Lumbering Since Quitting the Sea.

Parrsboro, N. S., May 10.—Captain Joseph Spicer died here today of apoplexy, following congestion of the lungs. He was only taken ill on Saturday. Born on Spencer Island 72 years ago, Captain Spicer sailed his own vessels to all quarters of the globe for many years, and since leaving the sea has been engaged in shipbuilding and lumbering enterprises. He retired from business a few weeks ago. Besides a widow, he leaves several brothers and sisters in the Canadian West and the United States.