

INVITATION TO U.S. LIKELY TO BE REPEATED

Allied Powers Still Hopeful of American Participation.

AWAIT RUSSIAN REPLY

French Delegates Suggest End of Genoa Conference by Thursday.

BULLETIN.
Genoa, May 17.—Russia has accepted the proposals of the powers for the meeting at The Hague to discuss the Russian situation, it was announced this afternoon.

GENOA, May 15.—Further appeals probably will be made to the United States by the allied powers in an endeavor to induce that country to take part in the meeting of the commission of experts at The Hague, on June 15. The inviting powers, England, France, Italy, and Belgium, held a meeting this afternoon to consider the matter further.

The French delegates are anxious to have the closing plenary session of the economic conference on Thursday, but there is no disposition to hurry the Russians in making their final reply regarding The Hague conference, and it seems likely that the closing session will be held before Saturday or Monday. Tomorrow morning the Russians will reassemble with the subcommittee on political affairs to discuss plans for The Hague.

The inviting powers decided that the Eastern Galician and Lithuanian boundary questions would not be considered at this time.

Hungary and Bulgaria were permitted to present petitions for better treatment of minorities.

The powers decided to have the conference make an urgent appeal to Europe to support the anti-epidemic campaign. A proposal to make the Red Cross the official machinery for dealing with famine and epidemics was deemed not a proper matter for the conference to consider and was referred to the League of Nations.

DISCUSS MANDATE OVER HOLY LAND

Lord Balfour Asks League of Nations for Action.

Geneva, May 17.—The council of the league of nations decided today to hold a special meeting not later than July 15 to consider the question of approving the British mandate for Palestine. The decision was taken on request of the Earl of Balfour. He first asked for a meeting within six weeks to act on the mandate, but Lord Bourgeois for France and Marquis Imperiali for Italy objected.

Lord Balfour, in a speech before the council, said Great Britain was greatly disappointed that the present session had failed to register the league's consent to the terms of the mandate, which the Allied powers had long ago agreed upon. It has been the opposition of the French and Italian representatives which has blocked the measure, while the Valtice is reported to have expressed fears that religious interests in the Holy Land would not be properly safeguarded under the terms previously laid down.

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CHEAPSIDE

Special to London Advertiser.
CHEAPSIDE, May 16.—The Epworth League of the M. E. Church, is changed from Thursday night to Wednesday night.

Baseball seems to be the prevailing sport of this community, the men and boys meet twice a week, Wednesday and Saturday nights.

Mrs. Laidman, of Queenstown, is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Sherik.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Hosack visited over the week-end at Ingersoll.

CANADIAN PACIFIC FAST TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAIN, "TRANS-CANADA LIMITED."

Commencing Sunday, May 21, the "Trans-Canada Limited" the fast trans-continental train of the Canadian Pacific, will operate between Toronto and Vancouver daily, this in addition to "Vancouver Express" now operating, making two trans-continental trains daily between Toronto and Vancouver. "Trans-Canada Limited's" time, Toronto to Vancouver, is 80 hours, this being the shortest time schedule for any trans-continental train on the continent. It carries first-class sleeping car passengers only, and the schedule is so arranged as to provide for convenient hours of arrival at the different principal points, and gives the Canadian Pacific Rocky Mountain scenery in daylight. A business day as on the trans-continental trip, as the business man has had his breakfast and is ready for business the second morning in Winnipeg, the third morning in Calgary, and the fourth morning in Vancouver.

The Canadian Pacific will this summer have four trans-continental trains each way every day over the mountain.

Canadian Dollar Hits New High Level At N. Y.

NEW YORK, May 17.—(By the Canadian Press).—The discount rate on the Canadian dollar dropped to below one per cent this morning, the lowest point in four years. The rate was quoted at 15-16 per cent at noon today. Local brokers and bankers declare there is no specific reason for the renewed improvement in the position of Canadian funds in this market, and say that today's drop in the discount rate is attributable merely to market fluctuation. They declare the general trend is still downward, however, and expect that the beginning of the wheat movement will bring still further improvement in the value of Canadian money in the United States market.

URGES INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH GUILDS

Dr. Rutan Emphasizes Need of Chemists and Science in Business.

Ottawa, May 17.—How by means of research guilds, science might advance Canadian industry was the main point in the speech of Dr. R. F. Rutan, of McGill University, and international president of the Society of Chemical Industry, before the opening session of the annual meeting of the Canadian society in the Chateau Laurier yesterday. Since the war Canadian chemists had been in the position of "Tommy stepping behind," F. J. Hamby of Ottawa, who presided, said.

During the war they had been a version of "Mr. Thomas Atkins when the Band Begins to Play."

Industries could not be expected to do research work beyond the point where it paid them individually, Dr. Rutan pointed out, in urging the necessity of government aid. The society intended to keep alive a public recognition of chemists' value in the war, a value which might be enhanced in time of peace.

It was decided that the next annual meeting of the society will be held in Toronto.

T. H. Wardlaw, of Montreal, a director of the National Drug and Chemical Company, outlined plans of the association, and succeeded in carrying a motion sending fraternal greetings to the parent society in Great Britain.

Dr. J. W. Shipley, of the University of Manitoba, read a paper on the "Soil Corrosion of Iron and Lead."

Another paper of great interest was read by R. T. Elworthy, B.Sc., mines branch, Department of Mines, his subject being "Chemical Products from Natural Gas."

FOUND IN STORE WITH FULL KIT

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arrest, and on being searched at the police station was found to have a large Jimmy slung in a case, a pair of new pliers, and a flashlight on his person.

Two hacksaws of excellent material were found tightly wrapped on the young man's back, next to his skin, being held in place by two thin strong cords.

"Safety First" was apparently the young man's motto, and had not the search been so thorough he no doubt would have tried his luck on the iron bars of the county jail in short order.

An attempt was made to enter the home of Alfred Fraser, 191 Elmwood avenue, earlier in the evening, and the police allege that Darwin is the man responsible. They state that the marks made with a Jimmy on a big window on the east side of the house correspond to impressions that would be made by Darwin's "method of approach."

A. R. Douglas, acting crown attorney, asked for a remand in order that the youth's record might be obtained. "We think that he is implicated in another matter in London South," said Mr. Douglas.

Darwin stated that he came from Boise, Idaho, and that he had "just come here."

The prisoner is a clean cut, bright looking chap. He has a slight squint in one eye.

"PRESENT" LEFT AT DETECTIVE'S DOOR

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tages at Port Stanley during the winter months, as well as the theft of 23 automobile tires discovered by the police in a barn in the east end of the city.

"I have no doubt that the china left on the steps came from Port Stanley," stated Detective Nickle, who believes that the owner got rather anxious about having it in his or her possession and took the "foundling" method of disposing of the articles.

None of the china has been claimed as yet.

S. H. Rowed identified two rugs stolen at different times from his car. One rug was taken from the Ontario garage, and the other while the motor was parked in front of the Masonic Temple.

Chief Birrell refused to state whether a warrant had yet been issued for the arrest of the young man, who is said to be in Chicago.

DENIES MRS. STILLMAN'S COSTS
White Plains, N. Y., May 17.—Supreme Court Justice Morschauser late yesterday denied Mrs. Anne T. Stillman's application for an order requiring James A. Stillman to pay \$5,000 to defray the cost of the recent Canadian hearings in the Stillman divorce suit.

ULSTER ORDERS BARS TO CLOSE

Bans Liquor Sales Except For Seven Hours Each Afternoon.

Imposes Curfew Law On All Citizens From 10 p.m. To 6 a.m.

BULLETIN.
Dublin, May 17.—The peace committee of the Dail Eireann, which has been trying to find a basis for unity of the Irish factions for all, reported to the Dail today a breakdown of the negotiations.

BELEFAST, May 16.—Owing to the continuance of shooting affrays in Belfast, the Northern government has decreed that all saloons and liquor shops in Belfast must close, except between the hours of noon and 7 o'clock in the evening.

The decree imposes the curfew on the whole city from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. A police notification has reached many Belfast merchants warning them of the danger of mines being exploded in their vicinity. The merchants are urged to maintain a close guard.

WILL DEFEND ARMY.

DUBLIN, May 16.—The impression prevalent in Dublin tonight, following the announcement that the peace committee of the Dail Eireann had concluded its deliberations and would report to the Dail Wednesday, was that the conferees had failed to agree on any plan and that tomorrow's meeting would have to face a final breakdown of the attempts to reconcile the two factions.

After the report of the peace committee, the next item on the Dail agenda is resumption of discussion on the army report submitted by the minister of defence. The report embodies a strong indictment of the present disorders, and fixes the blame largely upon the council of the dissident army. This was bitterly resented by the Republican members at the last meeting of the Dail, and Cathal Brugha indicated he would have much to say concerning it.

Bird Bulletin

Issued by the Maclellan Ornithological Club.

On Monday evening a Mourning Warbler was heard singing in Thames Park. This is one of the few warblers who spend the summer in the city. One may be seen or heard from now on along the bank where Thames Park adjoins the Wortley road. It gets its name from its black throat and breast.

On Tuesday morning that dainty little sprite, the Ruby Throated Hummingbird was seen for the first time this year. The smallest of our birds, it is one of the most handsome, and it is a pretty sight to see one of them poised on a whirling wing, sipping nectar from a flower. Many do not know that it lives to a great extent on insect life also. Its nest is one of the daintiest pieces of bird architecture imaginable, and its two pearl-white eggs are no larger than common white beans.

Tuesday morning was an ideal May morning. The trees were simply alive with warblers, no less than fifteen species of this dainty family being noted.

Another interesting sight was a late migrating flock of over twenty bluejays, flying very high in a northerly direction. It is rarely that we see such a number of these birds in one flock.

The salmon-pink blossoms of the wild crab apple and the sweet-scented blossoms of the hawthorn help to make our morning trips more pleasant these days.

J. R. McLEOD.

JAIL FARMER ON FORGERY CHARGE

Regina, May 17.—Alleged to have raised a check from \$8.89 to \$8,000.89 a month ago, Thomas Taylor, a farmer of McDonald Hills, in the Dysart district, was arrested yesterday by the city police charged with forgery.

According to the police Taylor received about April 1 a check for \$8.89, which he "raised" to \$8,000.89. It was on the Bank of Montreal at Ottawa, from which bank Taylor is alleged to have secured the full amount of the changed check. Later the bank discovered that the check for \$8,000.89 was false, and started proceedings to have Taylor arrested.

PREDICTS COUNCIL FACES WATERLOO

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ally believe that most of the board are opposed to sending the question to the people. And if two such representative bodies of elected representatives as the council and school board cannot get together on an issue of this kind, what can be gained by asking the people to voice an opinion?

Trustee Thomas Rowe, "dean of the council," is also opposed to a special election on this question. He favors the suggestion that the board rent suitable buildings for whatever school accommodation is requested in Southeast London should the council vote against the debenture issue.

"Let the people have an experience of such inconveniences, and they will then be better able to appreciate our position," he pointed out.

The trustee expressed willingness also to go out and look over any site that Trustee Casselman thinks may be more suitable than the Dakin street location. "If it is really as he represents, I am even willing to support it," he said.

C. P. R. TO ADOPT NEW SCHEDULE

The revised schedule regarding working conditions governing the maintenance of way employees which was adopted by the Canadian Railway Association, to be effective May 1, will be put into effect shortly by the Canadian Pacific Railway officials in this city.

The new schedule is retroactive to May 1, and the necessary changes in the payrolls will be made at once by members of the local staff.

Under the new agreement, which will affect many classes of employees, time and a-half for overtime will not be paid until after the tenth hour. Employees will receive the same pay for the ninth and tenth hours as they receive for the eighth.

The new agreement is also being enforced by the Grand Trunk officials, and the employees are being notified regarding the change.

COURT REMANDS TAYLOR AND ATWOOD TILL MAY 23

Magistrate Declares Extent of Walsh's Injuries Will Affect Sentence Imposed.

Wm. Taylor and Frank Atwood, found guilty on Saturday of assaulting Wm. Walsh on Oxford street west, were remanded till May 23 when they appeared for sentence in police court Wednesday.

"I understand that attempts are being made to compensate Walsh for the injuries he received," stated the court. "This is not an excuse, but might have some effect on the sentence imposed."

"The man's condition is such that it is not known yet whether the injuries are of a permanent nature. If he is severely hurt, it will have an effect on the sentence imposed," concluded Mr. Graydon.

Walsh was assaulted a week ago by the two men, while Mrs. Taylor was fined for striking Walsh with a buggy whip. The fracas arose over a suit brought by Walsh against Taylor in the division court. The complainant sustained two fractured ribs during the fight and had his face cut.

TO AWAIT CHANGE IN SOLDIERS' AID

Army and Navy Vets. Delay Action Until Commission Meets.

After considerable discussion it was decided at a meeting of the Army and Navy Veterans Monday night to delay any action on the part of the association regarding the closing of the Soldiers' Aid Commission in its present form, until it could be ascertained in what form the commission would be carried on.

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CHINESE LEGATION LEAVES TOKIO WITHOUT WARNING

Chang Sets Up Self As Independent Sovereign In Mukden.

Tokio, May 17.—The entire staff of the Chinese legation here left Tokio today without notifying the foreign office. The departure was due to failure of Peking to supply the funds for Chinese students here, and the refusal of Japanese banks to make further advances on the ground of lack of security.

Peking, May 17.—The fate of Manchuria and Outer and Inner Mongolia for the moment transcends all other issues in China, because of Gen. Chang Tso-Lin's defiance of the Peking government and his avowed intention of establishing an independent empire in those provinces.

The presence of large bodies of Gen. Wu Pei-Fu's troops at Tangshan, north of Tien Tsin, where they are threatening the forces of Chang Tso-Lin, entrenched at Tuanchow, has virtually isolated Mukden, where it is declared Chang has assumed the role of an independent sovereign.

GEN. WILSON BURIED WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS

Eight Generals Act As Pallbearers For Late Montreal District O. C.

Montreal, May 17.—Full military honors were accorded the late Major Gen. E. W. Wilson, whose funeral took place here today. Thirteen military guns were fired from Mount Royal Cemetery at the time of the committal, instead of the ordinary three volleys.

This morning a service was held for his family at the late general's residence, Sherbrooke street, after which the body was conveyed to the Church of St. James the Apostle, where the official obsequies were solemnized this afternoon. Maj. Gen. Rev. Shaftford officiated. Eight military bands participated. After the service the casket was conveyed to Mount Royal Cemetery. The bugle band sounded the last post immediately after the final salute.

The late Gen. Wilson, who rose from the ranks to one of the highest commands in the Montreal militia was in charge of the Montreal military district throughout the war.

WILL BACK UP O.T.A. CHARGES

Col. T. H. Lennox Declares He Will Produce Witnesses to Support Allegations.

Raney Surprised That North York Member Will Not Give Evidence At Once.

Toronto, May 17.—The public accounts committee of the Legislature this afternoon passed a resolution asking Col. Lennox to complete the evidence he wished to put in support of his charges against the method of the attorney-general's department in enforcing the O. T. A. so that he and Attorney-General Raney might give evidence under oath next Tuesday and wind up the inquiry. This came after an exciting session of the committee, Col. Lennox insisting that he had been challenged to prove his charges, and he was going to be the judge as to how much evidence he would put in.

He would not submit to dictation by the committee.

Attorney-General Raney said he was surprised Col. Lennox was not anxious to give evidence at once in reply to serious charges made against him this morning.

Mad Statement.
At the opening of the sitting of the public accounts committee at Queen's Park this morning, Col. T. H. Lennox (North York) made a statement concerning the resolution passed by the committee yesterday afternoon on motion of Attorney-General Raney that Col. Lennox and Mr. Raney both give evidence under oath in connection with the enforcement of the Ontario Temperance act.

Mr. Lennox said he proposed to give evidence, but not until he had called a number of other witnesses. He had been challenged by the attorney-general to prove the charges he had made in the house, and he proposed to conduct his case as he saw fit, not to be guided by the attorney-general. He would submit the names of the witnesses he proposed to call, and unless the committee wished to stifle the inquiry he would occupy eight or ten days yet in examining them. He said he proposed to call "thousands" of witnesses, and a man who was accused of murder "to prove that this class of men were being employed in the enforcement of the O. T. A."

"If I have to clear out a few jails to get all the evidence, I will do so."

To Have Inquiry Drag.
Attorney-General Raney replying claimed the object of Col. Lennox was to have the inquiry drag on until the legislature had closed. Ten days means taking up nearly three weeks of the committee's time and then there will have to be time for the defence. The attorney-general said that since he could not be in two places at the one time and had to be at the public accounts committee to defend himself against the attack that had been made against him, the work of other committees was being held up. He emphasized the seriousness of the charges which Mr. Lennox had made. The "howling derisives" (referring to certain newspapers), he said, had characterized the inquiry, if proven as meaning the destruction of the Ontario branch of the G. W. V. A. He urged that he and Mr. Lennox both be examined under oath today.

H. H. Dewar (Toronto S. W.) argued that Mr. Lennox was not only within his rights but was following the proper route of evidence in refusing to be cross-examined before he had conferred with all the witnesses he wished to call.

SURE SPEED IMPOSSIBLE WHEN STREET CAR LEADS

Walter Hull Given Benefit Of Doubt When Brought To Court.

Walter Hull told Magistrate Graydon, in police court Wednesday, that he could not possibly have driven his automobile up the York street hill in sixteen seconds, because he followed a street car all the way up the incline. The case was dismissed.

Constable Fred Tomblin, who secured the number stated the feat had been accomplished, and that there was no street car in sight at the time, and that Hull was driving a Ford.

"Mine is a Chevrolet," declared Mr. Hull, triumphantly.

"I took it to be a Ford," replied Tomblin.

"My wife cautioned me to be careful," stated Hull. "I have driven a car since the first five automobiles were manufactured in the States, and have never been in court before. The constable might have been mistaken in his eyesight in getting the numbers, same as he was in the make of the car," concluded the accused.

"I am going to give you the benefit of the doubt this time," said the magistrate, in dismissing the case.

METHODISTS GAIN 320 NEW MEMBERS

London District Conference Opens at Empress Avenue Church.

The general session of the London District Methodist Conference opened in Empress Avenue Methodist Church Wednesday morning with about seventy members of the clergy and laity present. The morning was practically taken up with the hearing of statistical reports from various congregations in the districts, the reports being especially encouraging from the point of view of mission work, decided increase in this direction having been made by many churches. The total membership in the district was found by the statistical secretary's report to be 10,213, showing an increase during the past year of 320.

An especially favorable report was that of the secretary of religious education, Rev. L. W. Reid. Mr. Reid, although making no distinction in his report between various Sunday schools of the district, digresses, however, to make special mention of Askis Street Sunday School, which had an exceptionally gratifying record, with ten young peoples' societies actively engaged. Following his report, Mr. Reid urged upon the pastors present the need of exercising care in the selection of teachers for the schools, emphasizing the importance of having teachers who worked with a definite aim, that of winning the scholars for the kingdom of God.

The following figures were outstanding in the report: Number of scholars, 9,290; teachers, 926; total attendance, 10,216; average attendance, 5,212; number of teachers training course, 64; amount raised for missions, \$5,700, and amount raised for all purposes, \$9,534, showing an increase over the previous year of \$760.

Rev. Walter Millson, Rev. Wm. M. Kightly, and Messrs. Copp and Pocock were appointed a nominating committee to select names for the committee for the London conference in June.

The Ladies' Aid of Empress Avenue Church served dinner in the church dining hall at the close of the morning session.

WEST EXPECTING REDUCED YIELD

Winnipeg, May 17.—"From present indications we anticipate a somewhat reduced acreage in wheat this year," states the weekly crop report of the grain trade news issued here today.

"While Saskatchewan will perhaps suffer from an acreage reduction of from 8 to 12 per cent, Alberta and Manitoba may both be expected to have made a gain of from 5 to 10 per cent," the report continues.

THE MARRIED MAN IS A BETTER RISK.

The bond houses claim that a married man is a much better risk than the bachelor, the ratio being about six to one. Moral: "Get Married." But safety first idea is to buy Orange Blossom Wedding Rings "With Years of Harmony," from John A. Years of Harmony, 182 Dundas Street, East, near the Post Office.

Don't forget Kiwanis concert Thursday night, Patricia Theatre.

GET 2 YEARS FOR BREAKING PRISON

Guelph, May 17.—Charles Beal, of Brantford, Louis Young, Simcoe, and Harry Ryerse, Parry Sound, were each sentenced to two years in the Kingston Penitentiary this morning by Magistrate Watt on a charge of making their escape from the Ontario Reformatory.

The three men broke away from guards while returning from the quarries on Tuesday evening, and were recaptured three-quarters of an hour later.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

WORTH SHOWERS FORTUNE

Kitchener, May 17.—Light showers fell in many parts of Western Ontario today, and were worth thousands of dollars to the farmers and horticulturists of this province. While some districts in Canada have had altogether too much moisture lately, Western Ontario has experienced abnormally dry weather for the month of May, and there was a general demand for rain.

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