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PARENTS DIE IN EFFORT TO SAVE LIFE OF BABY

Both Drowned in the Ottawa River—Child Saved.

Mother was Bathing Little One and Current Snatched Offspring from Her Grasp—Many Week-end Fatalities in Upper Canada.

Ottawa, July 11.—Husband and wife both bravely together here last night in an effort to save their nine months' old baby from the waters of the Ottawa River.

Monday, July 11.—Several cases of violent death were reported during the week-end. One was the death of Wm. Forrester, sixty, from heat prostration following a stroke suffered on last Tuesday.

Mr. Napoleon Lacombe, forty, fell from the balcony of her home and suffered a fractured skull, dying instantly. Prosper Parent, sixty-four, slept on the balcony of a house at St. Theodore, and was found next morning on the ground dead.

Gertrude Goldstein, sixteen, of this city, was drowned on Saturday afternoon at Chateaugay Basin, when a boat in which she was rowing with eight children was overturned by the swell of a motor boat.

The curfew was reimposed here today as a result of the disorders of Sunday. Belfast now is the only place in Ireland under the curfew regulations, despite the fact that the curfew was raised, generally.

Outlook for Potato Crop Not Cheerful

Ottawa Expert Makes Report on Conditions in the New Brunswick Fields.

Fredrick, N. B., July 11.—An official summary of the conditions of the potato crop in New Brunswick was issued this morning by G. C. Cunningham, plant pathologist of the federal department of agriculture, as follows:—The continued drought and heavy rain showers have greatly reduced the prospects for a large yield of potatoes this season, and unless a heavy rain comes soon the crop will prove a failure in many sections.

From Westmorland to Restigouche the crop will prove light. Individual fields show from 25 to 75 per cent of misses. There are a few exceptionally promising fields in Restigouche county, among those specialising in seed production. These are owned by growers who have paid particular attention to seed and thorough cultivation of the soil before and after planting the seed.

C. E. Convention Closing

New York, July 11.—The Christian Endeavor convention will close tonight. The next conference will be held in Des Moines, Ia., in 1922.

De Valera In London On Thursday to Confer With British Premier

Brightest Hope of a Century is Comment of Canadian Press Observer—Belfast Sees More Trouble but is Only Place of Trouble—Curfew Re-imposed There.

London, July 11.—Eamon De Valera will come to London on Thursday of this week for his conference with Lloyd George to discuss the basis of a settlement of the Irish problem.

Official announcement of this effect was issued this afternoon. Lloyd George returned to London this morning to arrange final details for his meeting with Mr. De Valera.

The truce between the crown forces and the Irish Republican army became effective at noon today but there were apprehensions that extremists on both sides would be hard to control.

It appeared today the conversations between Mr. De Valera and the premier would revolve around the granting of dominions status to Ireland upon conditions that the Sinn Fein demand for the establishment of an Irish republic would be abandoned.

There were other serious questions to be debated, however, among them being the boycott of Ulster by South Ireland, which has brought serious difficulties to the people of Ulster.

There was a disposition to believe, however, that, once the conference was under way some means of smoothing out present difficulties would be found.

Brightest Hope of a Century

London, July 11.—(By Grattan O'Leary, staff correspondent of the Canadian Press.) The situation in Ireland has changed almost overnight from black despair into the brightest hope of a century, and for the almost universal credit is given to the premiers' conference as having created an atmosphere for peace.

Belfast Quiet Again

Belfast, July 11.—Quiet was reported here in all districts of the city this morning, following disorders and bloodshed yesterday. In the hospitals showed that persons wounded during yesterday's riot were, as a whole, progressing satisfactorily, although a few were believed to be in a critical condition. About sixty persons are still in the hospital.

Rioting which broke out in Belfast on Friday night continued to such an extent that the military had to be brought in to restore order. Fifteen persons were killed and nearly one hundred wounded.

A group of Orangemen marched four deep along the streets shouting defiance in the face of British troops. The Orangemen and a mail train from Belfast to Londonderry was attacked near Carrickmore, county Tyrone, and the train was derailed and its contents were burned and the line torn up at this point.

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Dates of the truce in Ireland went into effect on Monday today. In Dublin the complete disappearance of the curfew police lorries and armored cars from the streets marked the official beginning of the truce.

Press Hopeful

London, July 11.—The Sunday newspapers today are optimistic, congratulating the negotiators on the conclusion of the requisite initial step and the mutual attitude of forbearance and sacrifice may be regarded as a head.

Breaks Out Again

The quiet was disturbed before the morning had progressed far. A great deal of revolver firing developed in the streets and the adjoining Carrick hill district. At one hospital six cases of bullet wounds were treated. A hakey street and the driver was beaten. Some firing occurred in several parts of the city and the police were called out to maintain order.

Some Phases of Situation

London, July 11.—The dominion premiers now in London are ready to support, according to all indications, Ireland's claim for dominion status, with fiscal autonomy and a voice in foreign affairs, the latter being an important aspiration of the dominions themselves. Such help from the outside as afforded by a statesman of the calibre of General Smuts, the South African premier, who admittedly has had much influence over the government policy, is an asset which Ireland has never before enjoyed.

This is the first time that Lloyd George in any peace negotiations has imposed no conditions whatever. Sir Hankey telegraphed to Mr. De Valera yesterday characterized as conceived in the happiest terms, permits the Irish Republican leader to bring any colleagues he chooses.

A truce has been arranged for an indefinite period. No date has been fixed or hint of any notice required to denounce it. The whole surrounding circumstances of this latest peace effort would seem to prove that both sides are deeply in earnest in desiring success.

On the other side of the picture is the attitude of the extremists among the Orangemen and the Sinn Fein, both Sinn Fein and Orangemen, and both are expected to how far they can be controlled by the leaders. There is also what has up to the present been the irreconcilable attitude of Mr. De Valera and his colleagues against the partition of Ireland and the apparently equal determination in Ulster that the present status of the six counties under the home rule act shall not be disturbed.

Ulster is smarting under the serious trade boycott exercised by Southern Ireland, but hopes are still high that this and other difficulties will be smoothed out once the conference is started.

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As Hiram Sees It

"You're lookin' kinda thin," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "I guess you orto come out to the Settlement an' try some spring lamb an' greens—aint you?" "I really don't know what the trouble is," said the reporter. "I was told that I ought to stop eating salt, and I did it. Another man asked if I ate much sugar, and I confessed I was very partial to sugar. He said to cut it out. I cut it out. Then I seemed to be getting no better. I took another man's advice and stopped eating meat. Several people have prevailed on me to stop out one food after another, and now I am not allowed to drink water unless it is boiled—and our boiler is not so good."

"Well," said Hiram, "if some fellow comes along an' tells you to hold your breath for half an hour I s'pose you'll try that, too. You come out an' see Hanner. She'll hev you eatin' four meals a day an' puttin' on about four pounds a week afore you know it."

"Hiram," sang the reporter—"I hear you calling me."

A. E. BRYAN.

BUT FIFTEEN MILLION FEET THROUGH BOOMS

Slack Times in River Lumbering—School Teacher Matters in Fredericton.

(Special to The Times.)

Fredrick, N. B., July 11.—The St. John River Log Driving Company is drawing near the close of its operations on the river for this season.

The extreme low water is hindering the sorting and rafting crews at the booms. The total of lumber which will pass through the booms in 1921 will be about fifteen million feet. In other years the average has been about fifty million feet. Lumber operators expect next season to be slack also, with curtailed cut.

It is doubtful if the water in the St. John river has ever been lower than now. A clean up will be made as rapidly as conditions will be permitted when operations will be transferred to the Mitchell boom at Lincoln where there is a smaller quantity of lumber to be rafted, making the final cleanup.

Miss H. Gladys Gregory, B.A., has been appointed to the teaching staff of the Fredericton High school, following the resignation of Miss Isabel St. John Bliss, B.A., who will take an advanced course at Columbia University.

Miss Gregory is a graduate of the U. N. B. in 1917. She has been teaching at Clarendon, Alta. She is a daughter of the late Dr. Harry Gregory of this city.

The Fredericton School Board will meet on Tuesday afternoon to consider appointments to the positions on the high school staff made vacant by the resignations of the male teachers. Alonzo Stiles, one of the former teachers will go to Riverside as principal. It is reported that other members who resigned also will teach elsewhere.

JUVENILES IN COURT

Behind closed doors this morning a hearing was given in the case of two juveniles charged with theft from the confectionery store of Miss Jennie Carroll in Garden street. The parents of the children were present as was the complainant. The children were allowed to go on the promise of their parents to make good the loss and after they had been severely reprimanded by the magistrate.

ROTARIANS' TRIBUTE.

A novel wreath placed on the cenotaph in Whitehall, London, by the president of the visiting International Rotarians.

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LONDON WELCOMES HARDING OFFER

Disarmament and Far East Conference.

Papers in Empire Capital See Great Possibilities—Washington Keenly Interested in Statement Expected from Lloyd George.

London, July 11.—In an editorial on the disarmament question, the London Times says there can be no doubt that President Harding's conference proposal will be gladly and promptly accepted by the British government with the full concurrence of the dominions, in the same spirit in which it has been made.

The paper discusses the proposals and the preparation of the agenda for the conference and in the preliminary negotiations the principal point of the agenda, declaring:—

"Only when such solutions have been found should a conference be formally convened, otherwise it may fail, and its failure might well be a blow to the peace movement and to the confidence of the nations in the possibility of a settlement of the present international situation."

In this connection, the Times says:—

"The peace conference at Paris may in some respects serve as a warning and a deterrent."

Harding's statement as a "momentous and timely" one, the paper declares it opens a new phase in the history of the Pacific problem, adding: "The task of the proposed conference will be a delicate one, and unless it is approached with a great deal of care and forethought, it may be fraught with serious possibilities of good and evil to the world."

Great London Papers.

While most of the morning papers did not have the time to write editorials on President Harding's statement, owing to the fact that they were all too busy with the news of the proposed conference, several of them did so.

The Mail declares that the proposed conference is a "great step forward" and that it is "a welcome sign of a new era of international relations."

The Telegraph calls it an act of first historical importance, adding that the president's earnestness of purpose and breadth of vision will be received with warm approval.

The Daily Express declares: "It is a bright augury for the peace of the world that the president has now dissolved the fog of mystery which hung over the question of international disarmament. This country will gladly respond to the call."

China would be admitted to the conference for the purpose of taking part in the consideration in the Far Eastern problems, and there was a feeling here today that the discussions would bring about a definite understanding which would include virtually the whole field of international relations.

George Harvey, U. S. ambassador to Great Britain, is understood to have conveyed President Harding's proposal to the British government, and that the premier Lloyd George at Chequers, London, yesterday, Dominion premiers, who were present at the meeting, according to cable reports received here.

Newspaper comment would appear to indicate that the British people are in favor of a disarmament conference, it being felt that the meeting of the masters of the difficulties surrounding a renewal of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, which was signed in London in 1902, in Great Britain would at once reflect the relief felt by a liquidation of armaments to the Pacific problem, and make a statement regarding President Harding's proposal for a conference on limitation of armaments.

Washington, July 11.—The course of the United States was definitely set today toward two goals of international importance, limitation of armaments and solution of problems involving the Pacific and the Far East.

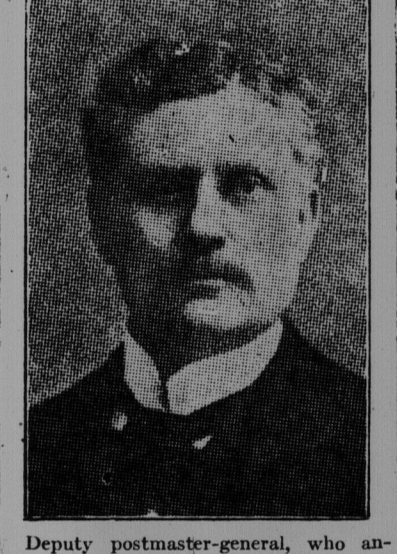
The state department announcement said that if the proposal for a limitation of armaments conference was found acceptable, invitations for its consideration would be issued. Whether any response to the inquiries directed to the state department by the British government received by the president was not indicated. Great popular interest was attached to the statement by Lloyd George, the British premier, expected today.

In Paris.

Paris, July 11.—Sheldon Whitehouse, counselor of the U. S. embassy, called at the French foreign office today and talked with the director of political affairs on the possibility of holding a conference on disarmament.

Mr. Whitehouse delivered no document in this connection, merely engaging

DR. R. M. COULTER.



CANADA'S PLACE IN CONFERENCE

Important Factor, Says Canadian Press Writer.

May be Dominating Factor in Nations Get Together on the Invitation of President Harding of the U. S.

London, July 11.—(By Grattan O'Leary, staff correspondent of the Canadian Press.) President Harding's invitation for a conference by the principal Allied and Pacific powers was accepted here as a decisive triumph for the conference of premiers.

Put forward by the dominion in communication to the British government as early as last February and advocated in the empire congress by Premier Meighen, the result ought to be particularly gratifying to Canada, indeed, and it is generally admitted here that the great impetus which the idea received from the dominion premiers, President Harding would not have been in a position to make such a declaration as he has made.

The offer of course will be accepted as such, but it is not expected that the proposed conference, probably the most momentous of its kind that the world has seen, will be held in the near future, as the assembly at Versailles, can be brought together some time in September or October.

The proposal, as understood here, is that there should be two conferences, the first to deal with disarmament and including all of the important world powers and the second to take up Pacific problems and to be confined to the nations with special interests in the Pacific.

Premier Meighen, who spent the week end at Chequers with Premier Lloyd George returned to London this morning plainly pleased with the situation.

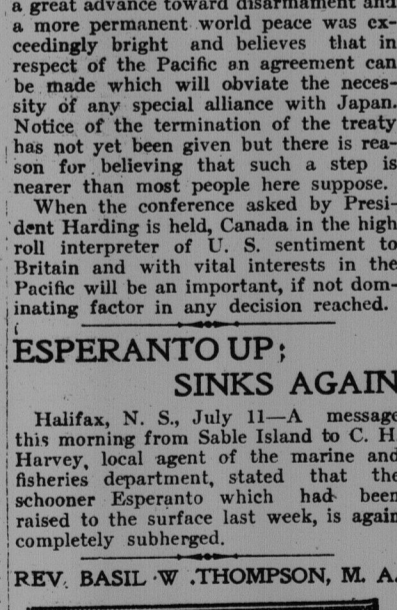
To the Canadian Press he expressed the belief that the chance of achieving a great advance toward disarmament and a more permanent world peace was exceedingly bright and believes that in respect of the termination of the treaty which has not yet been given but there is reason for believing that such a step is nearer than most people here suppose.

When the conference asked by President Harding is held, Canada in the high interpreter of U. S. sentiment to Britain and with vital interests in the Pacific will be an important, if not dominating factor in any decision reached.

ESPERANTO UP; SINKS AGAIN

Halifax, N. S., July 11.—A message this morning from Sable Island to C. H. Harvey, local agent of the marine department, stated that the schooner Esperanto which had been raised to the surface last week, is again completely submerged.

REV. BASIL W. THOMPSON, M. A.



Late of Winnipeg, who has been appointed pastor of Trinity Methodist church, Toronto, and will enter upon his duties on the first Sunday in August.

In a tentative conversation on the subject.

Official opinions are that France certainly will accept the invitation if one is received. France, it is said, would be glad to reduce her armaments and save the heavy expense involved as soon as she can safely do so, but her decision on this question must depend upon absolute security from the east.

RACE HALF OVER; PITTSBURG AND CLEVELAND LEAD

Others Have to Travel Fast to Catch Up.

Some Features in Big League Baseball Games of Sunday—Vesper Club for Canadian Regatta—Late News of Sport.

New York, July 11.—The half way mark of the major league pennant race finds the Pittsburgh National leaders three and a half games ahead of New York and the Cleveland world's champions wit little same margin over the other New York club.

The pace of the Pirates is 65 points better than set by Brooklyn in winning the pennant last year, while the Indians are going at a five point higher rate than in 1920.

The other first division clubs of both leagues are playing winning ball, but have much ground to make up to overtake the two leaders. The National teams are well spread out and the American clubs are gathered within a range of 250 points.

In the National League the Pittsburgh twirlers with the exception of Cooper and Glander are not displaying steadiness at present. The Pirates took two games from Brooklyn, but lost yesterday when the Superbas batted Major Clegg.

Pittsburg's not hitting as effectively as the other first division clubs, while the pitching strength of the four clubs appeared about equal last week.

New York is cutting into Pittsburg's lead rapidly. The Giants have won seven of their last nine games. St. Louis is hitting and fielding in excellent fashion. Chicago and Cincinnati are not converting their hits into runs. Poor fielding has offset Philadelphia's good batting.

In the American League the Indians yesterday obtained revenge for the unpleasant surprise they received at the hands of Philadelphia. Mails and Mott both blanked the Athletics, who had taken two games from the Indians after losing three straight to New York. Lewise, Chicago, who had dropped three games to the Indians, defeated the Yankees three times, including yesterday's game.

Washington and Detroit continue their pace of slightly above 500. Boston is getting good pitching, but the Red Sox are weak in scoring power. St. Louis is resuming their hitting after a lapse early last week.

Kerr and Faber are the only steady Chicago twirlers and the White Sox have been unable to make good use of their many hits.

Sunday Games.

New York, July 11.—A combination pitcher-shortstop, rare in the major leagues, was uncovered by the Philadelphia-Americans yesterday when Barrett twirled against the Clevelanders and then took his place between second and third.

Barrett went on the mound in the sixth inning when the game was tied, and he pitched to one hit in two innings.

He made two hits in two chances at bat and fielded perfectly. In the second game Barrett played shortstop and accepted five chances but failed to hit in three times at bat.

A double shutout, the first in the major leagues this year, was scored by Cleveland pitcher, Harry Sawyer, who blanked Burleigh Grimes, of Brooklyn, stood out among the twirlers of both leagues by winning his eighth straight game.

Feasting Pittsburgh yesterday. Faber, of the Chicago Americans, was hit safely only five times by the New York Yankees, and Ryan, of the Giants, held his Chicago opponents to the same number of hits. Judge of the Washington Americans, was admitted to the two homers in one game club. He missed setting an American League record for homers when other hit went for a three-bagger.

Some Records

Boston, July 11.—Baseball statisticians have brought to light the fact that Horace Ford, second baseman for the Boston Nationals, has equaled a major league record of thirty-nine years' standing. In the St. Louis-Boston game of June 16, at St. Louis, he made twelve assists in accepting fourteen chances.

This was said to tie the cord for assists made in 1882 by Danlap of Cleveland, who at that time had eighteen chances, the record for total chances in a game.

Stuffy McInnis, of the Red Sox, ended the week's play with a run of thirty-nine errorless games, while Captain Scott brought his record of continuous play to 732 games.

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MORE CANADIANS WIN AT BISLEY

Bisley, July 11.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The whole country is imploring as fervently as Elijah the Tishbite. At Bisley today the visibility at certain parts of the range was partially obscured by smoke from health fires. In the Conan Doyle match, Sgt. J. T. Steele, of Guelph, Ont., was 11th, Lieut. S. A. Anand, of Toronto, was 14th, Major C. H. Crowe, of Guelph, 23rd; Major Northover, of Winnipeg, 28th. They each win a point.

In the Birmingham small arms competition, Capt. W. E. Swan of Kingston, was 1st, winning 120 to 132½ pence, Lucas of Toronto won in the sweepstakes and Major Northover in the clay bird shooting.

OUR CATTLE IN ENGLAND.

London, July 11.—(Canadian Associated Press)—Canadian cattle are selling at Birkenhead at from 12 to 13½ pence, according to reports from Frank Deveney, of that port. Demand is slow with tendency to lower prices.