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A Liberal government will give the port of St. John a square deal. The election of the Liberal candidates will strengthen our position at Ottawa.

U.S. POLITICS AND THE CONFERENCE

Harding Suggestion Develops Bit of Family Row.

Some of Senate Fear Country May be Involved in "Alliance" With Other Nations — President Hopeful and Sees No Difficulty.

Washington, Nov. 29—By Ben Deacon, staff correspondent of the Canadian Press)—The controversy over the prospective "association of nations" which President Harding is reported to have endorsed gathered momentum this morning. It has developed into a U. S. family row which, for the time being, appears almost to be eclipsing the actual happenings of the conference in general interest here.

The outspoken opposition of some of the members of the U. S. senate to the plan which they fear may involve the U. S. in some form of "alliance" with other nations, and their declared purpose of opposing the proposals in the senate has again raised the whole question as to what the attitude of the congress of the U. S. will be toward whatever agreements are arrived at by the conference.

It is generally admitted by U. S. political observers that anything in the nature of a treaty arising out of the conference would meet with a very hostile reception from the legislative body, but there is little expectation that the limitation of naval armament or the settlement of the Far East problems will be effected by treaty.

There will be instead, and understanding——a sort of gentlemen's agreement——arranged very possibly through an exchange of notes between the nations, but it is anticipated that even this will require ratification by the congress. And what the representatives of the people will do is ever and always a matter of doubt. In regard to agreements which may come out of the conference there is a very noticeable feeling of doubt. Will the naval armament agreement have to be ratified by the congres? What will happen to it when it reaches the senate? These are questions which have been asked in connection with the conference more frequently than any other.

It is understood that President Harding takes a very optimistic view of the matter. He is said to believe that no difficulty will be encountered.

QUICK WORK IN ARBUCKLE CASE

Expect to Get Through With 40 Witnesses in Rebuttal Today.

San Francisco, Nov. 29—Rebuttal testimony was the order of the day at the reopening of the Roscoe Arbuckle manslaughter trial this morning.

The district attorney's office announced that about forty witnesses would be heard. The testimony each is expected to give is so brief, however, that it was indicated it probably would be completed today.

Arbuckle's own story of the events at the party he gave was given to the jury yesterday. In substance he said he found her ill (and did everything in his power to allay her sufferings. Cross examination failed to make him change any particular of his description.

Among witnesses on the prosecution's list for today was Mrs. Catherine Fok of Chicago, a close friend of Miss Rappe. It was intimated that she would testify that Miss Rappe's health was good. The defense has contended that a chronic ailment caused her death.

WOULD ASK FOR DISMISSAL OF HON. MR. CARVELL

Statement by Hon. W. R. Motherwell, Liberal Candidate in the West.

Regina, Nov. 29—In an election meeting here last night, Hon. W. R. Motherwell, Liberal candidate, made public a letter he received from James Mills, Librarian and supervising officer of the Board of Railway Commissioners, in which the writer made the proposal that Mr. Motherwell appologize to Hon, F. B. Carvell and join the latter in his campaign against "the utterly indefensible practices that are insisted upon by the labor unions in the United States and Canada working together."

Mr. Motherwell recently said that if he was elected his first move would be to ask for the dismissal of Mr. Carvell as chairman of the railway board.

Lemieux Predicts 130 Seats for King In House of 235

Montreal, Nov. 29—Speaking at St. Cyrille, Que., Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux prophesied that the Liberals would elect 130 members to the next house.

He said sixty-five would be returned in Quebec (or one for every Quebec constituency) and twenty-two in Ontario.

Utterly Impossible, Says Craig of The British Proposals

Ulster Premier Makes Statement in Northern Parliament—Prepared to Discuss Other Avenues of Settlement—Enrolling 5,700 Specials.

Belfast, Nov. 29—Sir James Craig, Ulster premier, speaking before the Northern Parliament here today, said he had told Lloyd George that the British government's proposals to Ulster for the settlement of the Irish question were utterly impossible.

He said Ulster would not enter an all Ireland parliament under the present conditions, but was prepared to discuss other avenues for settlement.

The premier said the accounts of the government's plans for an all Ireland parliament that had appeared in the press were "fairly accurate."

Replying to a question, he said the northern Ireland cabinet had given instructions for the immediate enrollment of 700 whole time "specials" and 500 part time "specials" to complete the establishment of these forces.

KEEP TRUCE IF NEGOTIATIONS FOR IRISH PEACE FAIL

London, Nov. 29.—While it is thought here that Premier Craig's statement before the Ulster parliament today will leave the deadlock in the Irish peace negotiations virtually unchanged, the political commentators in the morning newspapers view the situation with unusual calm. They appear to adopt the view ascribed to official circles that, even though the peace movement receives a setback now, it may ultimately reach a satisfactory conclusion based on mutual concession.

Not only is a breach of the Irish truce, which has endured five months, unexpected following a possible cessation of negotiations, but the newspapers generally imply the belief that all the interested parties recognize the importance of maintaining it. Some even go so far as to say that a tacit understanding already exists among the British government, the Sinn Fein and Ulster that the truce shall remain unbroken and thus enable the resumption of the negotiations at any possible moment, should they be suspended at this time.

Some writers mention no limits to continuance of the truce, while others suggest that it is to be extended at least over the Christmas and New Year holidays.

These hopeful accounts regarding the probable maintenance of peace in Ireland coincide with many fresh rumors of Lloyd George's preparations to leave for the Washington conference at an early date.

London, Nov. 29—Admission of the possibility that Ulster and the south of Ireland may some day coalesce "of their own free wills" in the government of all Ireland is ascribed to Sir James Craig, Ulster premier, in an interview published today by the Daily Mirror.

"I do not say that Ulster will never accept an all-Ireland council, though the Sinn Fein says it will never accept any other scheme," Sir James is quoted as saying. "What we say is, let the Sinn Fein first prove its ability to govern itself along constitutional lines. Let it win Ulster's confidence by practical proof of its fairness and impartiality toward the other Unionists. Then in the course of time the two Irish governments might coalesce of their own free wills.

"If Ulster conceded all the Sinn Fein's demands," the interview continued, "the whole world would throw its hats into the air in a frenzy of joy and relief. There would be world wide thanksgiving services in the churches and wonderful scenes of happiness. But Britain would then banish Ireland from its mind, and turn its thoughts to its own problems, and if the Sinn Fein began to oppress Ulster under the all-Ireland council England would then answer Ulster's complaints by saying: 'You accepted the council, you must manage your own affairs now.' Indeed England would have no right to interfere."

Sir James was quoted as outlining imaginary cases of oppression such as the enforcement of Catholic teaching through educational legislation.

"Remember religion is behind this historical quarrel, although little is said in that regard," he was quoted, "and that is the sort of thing that would be likely to happen."

Another supposition was that "the Sinn Fein, with its lack of experience in industrial affairs might easily wreck Ulster's important industries by ill-considered legislation."

Sir James contended that the guarantees promised Ulster by Lloyd George would not protect her against such possibilities.

Ennis, Ireland, Nov. 29. — A serious clash occurred Saturday between auxiliaries and civilians at Corofin. One civilian was seriously wounded, and others were slightly hurt. The trouble arose over the attempted removal of ammunition from the barracks of the auxiliaries, near which the riot occurred.

London, Nov. 29.—The belief of the Dail Eireann representatives here, they indicated yesterday, is that, after Ulster has given her reasons for rejecting the All-Ireland Parliament plan, the government will continue its negotiations with the Dail delegation, despite the fact that there has thus far been a failure to agree regarding the oath to be taken should a settlement on the plan be reached.

ARE FINED FOR DRIVING IN THE CAR TRACK

Two 'Bus Men and a Jitney Driver—Appeal in Case of First Two — Cases Under New By-law.

Before Magistrate Ritchie today Wallace Beatty and Thomas Mitchell of the Union Bus Company were charged with running their busses on the portion of the streets used by the New Brunswick Power Company. J. A. Barry appeared for the defence. The case is brought under a recent by-law. In the first case Policeman Hughes testified that Beatty ran his car along the street car tracks in front of the Opera House in Union street, and that there was no street car at that point then.

Mr. Barry said he knew there was a law to prevent vehicles from interfering with the street cars, but where there were no street cars present at the time he did not believe the law could prevent 'busses going on the car tracks. He said that it was almost impossible in some of the city streets to avoid running on the tracks and said that the magistrate could not conscientiously strike a penalty for such an offence.

His Honor replied that ever since the Royal Charter was granted in 1783 the city fathers had been passing by-laws and he certainly did not feel that it was his place as a police magistrate practically to declare one of these laws to be ultra vires. Not until the supreme court gave some decision to that effect would he hesitate to impose a fine for violation of any of the by-laws. He then offered to let them plead guilty and strike a minimum fine, but Mr. Barry refused on the ground that there would be a multitude of such cases before the end of the winter and he wished a decision now.

Sergeant Spinney was called. He testified that he had seen Beatty at a different hour that day on King street running in the car tracks. Policeman Chisholm corroborated this.

In the case against Mitchell, Policeman Howard said that he had seen the accused driving his 'bus on the car tracks on Main street. Mitchell swore that he had to go out of his way to avoid teams and that he had orders to respect this law whenever possible.

Mr. Barry offered the letters patent of the company in evidence.

A fine of $10 was imposed for each offence. Mr. Barry gave notice of appeal.

Ralph Somers pleaded not guilty to a charge of traveling up King street with his jitney in the car tracks. Policeman Chisholm gave evidence and a fine of $10 was struck.

A case against Robert H. Carlin, charged with refusing to move when ordered to do so by the police and with creating a disturbance, was resumed. John Montague told of standing in front of Kierstead's store and of being ordered to move by the police. He and the other man moved but the defendant refused and was put under arrest. The witness could not remember hearing anything about Percy Thomson's street cars. A brother of the defendant said he saw his brother alone when the police spoke to him and that he said nothing more before he was arrested.

E. S. Ritchie moved for dismissal on the grounds that the defenant had a good reason for being there and should never have been arrested and kept in jail over Sunday on such a trivial offence, especially where he had no intention of breaking the law but was merely waiting for a car.

The magistrate referred to the way he had been stressing the act for some time and told of how Chief of Police Marshall used to be on duty in Charlotte street every evening. He said he would let the matter stand over for one week.

MORE FISH AND HIGHER VALUE, IS OCTOBER RECORD

Ottawa, Nov. 29—Canadas catch of seafish during October was considerably greater in weight and higher in value than October of the previous year. Last month the catch totalled 489,696 cwts, with a value when landed of $1,466,124; in October it was $431,724 cwts, with a value of $1,348,017. This is for sea fish landed on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

Justice to the maritime provinces in the matters of transportation and port development calls for the election of the Liberal candidates on Dec. 6.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "I have been looking around to find the man who says our climate is changing and that we are not to have any more old-fashioned winters."

"He was dug out of a snowbank this mornin'," said Hiram.

"Ah!" said the reporter. "I must hunt him up and get an interview."

"No use," said Hiram. "He wont talk."

"But I must interview somebody," said the reporter.

"Go out," said Hiram, "an' ask the fust feller you meet how the election's goin'. Ask three or four. If you print what they all say you'll hev enough variety to suit everybody, an' nobody'll know any more'n they did afore."

"All right," said the reporter—"we'll begin with you. Shoot."

"Me,?" said Hiram. "No, sir—you don't git me talkin'——not till the day after the 'lection. Then I'll tell you I knowed all along how it was goin' to go. An' you wont be able to deny it, nuther —By Hen!"

RECOVERY IS SLOW AFTER MIGHTY BLOW

New England Storm One of Worst in History of That District.

Boston, Nov. 29—New England and towns were recovering but slowly today from the damage and confusion caused by the storms of the last two days.

Hope that lights could be provided tonight for nearly two score cities and towns that were in darkness last night lessened. The storm toll in life was two, both persons being killed by live wires in Woonsocket and Pawtucket. In money it was a million dollars or more, representing damage to the equipment of public utilities companies. It will be days before conditions can approach normal. The storm in its immediate effects and in disturbing consequences was among the worst in New England's annals.

THESE DEPOSITS.

In regard to the matter of the two men allowed out on deposit after being arrested on a charge of drunkness, the magistrate said that he did not intend to make any formal report of the matter. He said he had refused three prominent men when they asked to have the men allowed out and knew nothing more of the matter until he turned up on Monday morning and found them missing. The chief says that according to the law he has a perfect legal right to let anyone out on deposit whose offence may be summarily tried by the police magistrate. Out side of this he has nothing to say about the matter.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—The Atlantic coast disturbance is moving northeastward towards Nova Scotia, while another disturbance is now developing towards the Upper Lakes. The weather continues comparatively mild in the western provinces.

Forecasts:

Rain and Sleet.

Maritime—East and northeast gales with rain and sleet tonight and tomorrow.

Gulf and North Shore—Increasing northeast winds, light snowfalls.

New England—Cloudy tonight and tomorrow. Little change in temperature; strong north and northwest winds.

Toronto, Nov. 29.—Temperatures:

Stations.	8 a. m.	Highest yesterday.	Lowest during night.
Prince Rupert	42	42	36
Victoria	40	44	38
Kamloops	32	38	30
Calgary	34	34	34
Edmonton	..	38	..
Prince Albert	10	22	0
Winnipeg	18	32	8
White River	32	30	16
Sault Ste. Marie	34	30	30
Toronto	31	34	28
Kingston	22	28	30
Ottawa	18	32	22
Montreal	24	26	14
Quebec	26	26	22
St. John, N. B.	30	26	24
Halifax	34	30	26
St. John's, Nfld.	14	24	30
Detroit	30	40	12
New York	34	42	30

Re-open Whole Matter Of Re-establishment Of Canadian Soldiers

Hon. Mr. King's Reply to the G. W. V. A.

Entire Reconsideration by the New Parliament, With Unrestricted Powers to Committee of House to Take Up All Relevant Matters.

Ottawa, Nov. 29—(Canadian Press Staff Correspondent)—Expressing himself as in favor of the principles underlying the several questions placed before him in the great war veterans association questionnaire, Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, leader of the Liberal party today, made public his reply to the letter of C. G. MacNeil, dominion secretary of the G. W. V. A.

Owing to the fact that it had been mailed to him at Edmonton after he had left there for the east, the G. W. V. A. questionnaire did not reach the Liberal leader until Saturday and his reply was dictated while Mr. King was on his way to Pembroke last evening.

"To what extent the questions set forth by the war veterans may and should be applied must, in my opinion," Mr. King stated, "necessarily be determined by a committee of parliament having before it the fullest available information with respect to all aspects and phases of the matters under consideration. I have never felt that the porliament just dissolved was sufficiently representative in character to do justice to any question of great national importance, and in particular any matter bearing upon the re-establishment of soldiers, which is entirely a post war problem. I believe, therefore, that the whole matter of further re-establishment of soldiers should be reopened and reconsidered by the new parliament. In this connection I would favor the appointment at the next session of a committee of the House of Commons with power to take into consideration all the questions submitted in your communication, and I would further favor the committee being given the widest powers to consider all matters relevant to these questions and having no restrictions placed upon its findings by the government."

In conclusion Mr. King stated: "Any influence I may have with respect to the several matters mentioned in your letter and kindred subjects will be gladly exerted at any and all times with a view to seeing that the returned men and the dependents of those who sacrificed their lives or health in the great war are dealt with not only justly but generously."

The Liberal leader made a similar reply to a number of questions which were submitted to him by J. F. Marsh, on behalf of the Grand Army of United Veterans, in which questions practically the same ground was covered as by the G. W. V. A.

PREMIER NORRIS, MANITOBA, SEES MEIGHEN BEATEN

(Canadian Press.)

Winnipeg, Nov. 29—Premier Norris of Manitoba is convinced that the next government of Canada will be a new one. Speaking here last night in the interests of Hon. A. B. Hudson, Independent Liberal candidate, in South Winnipeg, the premier said:

"The duty of the new government, and I am satisfied the Meighen government will not be that government—will be to provide for an immediate reduction in freight rates."

WILL MAKE 850 MEN IN NOVA SCOTIA IDLE

Glace Bay, N. S., Nov. 29—Eight hundred and fifty men, including 500 miners, are involved in an announcement today by the Dominion Coal Co., that No. 16 and 24 collieries and mechanical shops, including foundrymen, forge, carshop, machine shops and roundhouse have been closed down. High cost of production is given as the cause of the closing of the collieries.

Number 16 colliery is in the Waterford district, where Number 15 and 17 have already been closed. Number 24 was opened two years ago and is a small producer. Construction work has been stopped at a new colliery, No. 26, and the men laid off.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently:

A. D. Duncan to A. P. Macintyre, property in Paradise row.

Christina Duncan to A. Duncan, property in Paradise row.

Avis P. Maunsell and husband to Alice A. Owens, property in Brindley street.

Kings County.

W. E. Golding and others to W. T. Sleep, property in Kingston.

Martha Hicks to Roley Thorne, property in Havelock.

George Perkins to Albert Perkins, property in Hampton.

Heirs of Isaac Perkins to S. A. Perkins, property in Kingston, quit claim.

S. A. Perkins to Soldiers' Settlement Board, property in Kingston.

W. T. Sleep to J. M. Sleep, property in Kingston.

Eleanor T. Wetmore and husband to Julia C. Wetmore, property in Kingston.

SOME THINGS THE ROTARIANS PLAN TO DO

The Rotary Club at a meeting last evening decided to adopt two babies for a year by paying the sum of $60 to the Women's Council milk fund. They also decided to spend at least $100, and perhaps more, in Christmas baskets for families to be designated by Miss Grace Robertson, secretary of the Associated Charities. They also appointed a strong committee to consider the question of the club presenting a big entertainment, which is to take the form of a minstrel circle or general programme, to raise funds for their benevolent purposes.

OHIO IN FLOOD; DAMAGE IS GREAT

People Rescued in Boats by Police; Mills are Closed.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 29—The first November flood in more than twenty years was today sweeping down the Ohio River from the upper reaches of the Monongahela and Allegheny, the result of an almost continuous rainfall for several days.

The flood stage, twenty-two feet at the Point Bridge, was reached before day break, and a few hours later the Ohio was rising three tenths of a foot an hour, with predictions from the weather bureau that the crest would be reached soon after noon.

Scores of persons living in the lowlands of the north side were taken from their homes in boats by the police, while rising waters compelled the suspension of operations in several mills and factories.

Reports from points along the Monongahela river were that the damage would be heavy.

Pittsburg, Nov. 29—Many points in Western Pennsylvania reported damage during the day. At Johnstown, the Conemaugh overflowed its banks and compelled suspension of traffic in the lower part of the city and at Oakmont on the Allegheny near Pittsburg, many summer houses were flooded. Slides along several railroads caused some delay in travel.

TODAY IS WORSE IN WORCESTER

Storm Effects More Seriously Felt as Rainfall Continues and Wind Rages.

Worcester, Mass., Nov. 29—The tie up in this city resulting from the sleet storm is more complete today than it was yesterday. The continued rainfall and wind filled the streets with broken tree branches, electric poles and wires faster than they could be removed.

Telegraph service was at a standstill and the number of disabled telephones was increased by hundreds. Most of the towns of the country are completely isolated and are without either lights or telephones. Several manufacturing concerns that depend on electricity for power had to suspend operations.

The town of Uxbridge reports it has water enough in its reservoir to last only until tonight. The reservoir is filled by great electric pumps which have been without power since early yesterday.

Meighen told a St. John audience before he became premier that the west owed nothing to the east. Does the east agree with that view? Vote for the Liberal candidates and justice to the east.

SOME RUMORS OF APPOINTMENTS BY GOVERNMENT

Hon. C. J. Doherty, Hon. R. W. Wigmore and W. F. O'Connor Mentioned.

(Special to Times.)

Ottawa, Nov. 29—In its last will and testament the Meighen government is looking out for its friends. Among the beneficiaries are said to be Hon. C. J. Doherty, late minister of justice; W. F. O'Connor, who is now trying to neutralize the speeches of James Murdock, his old confreree on the Board of Commerce, and Hon. R. W. Wigmore, who is to be rewarded, it is said, for his kindness in stepping out for Hon. J. B. M. Baxter.

Exact details are missing, but it is understood that Hon. Mr. Doherty is to get $10,000 a year to devote himself to the unraveling of evidence to be presented before the privy council with regard to the Labrador boundry dispute; Mr. O'Connor is to be given $8,000 for his services in revising the dominion statutes at the rate of $1,000 a month from last March, and R. R. Farrow, deputy minister of customs, to be superannuated to make way for Hon. Mr. Wigmore. The latter report awakens disbelief as Hon. Mr. Wigmore is not believed to have the technical qualification necessary. Mr. Farrow says he has no knowledge of such an appointment.

MORATORIUM FOR GERMANY

It is Being Talked of in England— France Stoutly Opposes.

London, Nov. 29.—Rumors of a proposed moratorium for Germany are revived by the Daily Mail, which reports that Sir John Bradbury, British delegate on the reparations committee, has drafted a memorandum on the subject for the consideration of the cabinet.

The newspaper says that, as a result, the cabinet may urge a moratorium on Germany's debts to the Allies of two or three years, on condition that she cease manufacturinig currency.

Paris, Nov. 29.—The French government, it was made plain today, is strongly opposed to the proposed moratorium for Germany's debts to the Allies, a movement for which is understood here to be gaining great strength in British official circles. The French view is that Germany is potentially quite capable of meeting her reparation payments and will do so unless given encouragement from Allied sources to resist payment.

While agreeing that Germany's finances are in a critical condition, French officials indicate their belief that a readjustment can be effected without resorting to such a radical move as a moratorium.

SIX DEATHS IN THEATRE FIRE

Yale Student Gave His Life in Effort to Save Women.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 29—Two more persons who were burned in the fire which destroyed the Rialto Theatre on Sunday night, died today, making the actual death list six. The coroner has eliminated the name of Timothy Hanlon, who was a victim of heart disease. Those who died today were Everett Case and Victor Corteller, both of this city. Deaths last night were those of Allen Keith, a Yale sophomore, whose home was in Southport, Conn., and Miss Mabel Moran, a telephone operator of Derby, Conn.

It is said of Keith that, after getting out of the theatre unharmed, he returned and assisted women out of the place, returning again to search for others. It was on his last trip inside, which he prolonged in order to grope about in the smoke, that he was burned.

FORTY FAMILIES HOMELESS BY MONTREAL BLAZE

Thirty-three Tenements in Rosemount in Ruins—Some People Have Narrow Escape.

Montreal, Nov. 29—Forty families are homeless and thirty-three tenements are in ruins as the result of a disastrous fire in Lafleche avenue, Rosemount, here this morning.

The fire originated at the southern end of the block of tenements about five o'clock and swept through the houses with amazing rapidity. Many persons had narrow escapes. Some were carried from their beds by firemen into the sharp winter weather. Fortunately no lives were lost and no one was seriously injured.

One fireman was taken to the hospital where he is reported to be resting comfortably. No estimate of the loss is as yet available.

GREEKS HOLD UP STEAMER WITH ARMS FOR TURKS

Paris, Nov. 29—An Athens despatch to the Havas Agency today says a Greek cruiser has intercepted off the Ionian Island of Cephalonia an Italian steamer bound for Adalia, Southwestern Asia Minor with ammitions alleged to be intended for the Turkish Nationalist army on board. A search of the steamer revealed, it is said, nine Italian airplanes, two million cartridges and other war material.