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MURDER FOLLOWS NON-PAYMENT OF BASEBALL BET

Geo. McCormack Halted By Police Shots in New York Street After Ed. Shannon is Slain.

New York, March 2. — An unpaid wager of $5, made on a baseball game in 1919, was said to have been given as a motive early today by George McCormack, who was arrested on a charge of killing a friend, Edward Shannon. Shannon was shot down late last night in the hallway of a Third avenue residence after he had taken leave of a young woman.

Policemen pursued McCormack, who stopped and surrendered after his coat and hat had been pierced by bullets. McCormack is alleged to have told the police that Shannon, who lost the $5 bet, never had paid, and he had determined to "get even."

MARTIAL LAW IN RUSSIAN CAPITAL

Sailors and Laborers United in Revolt, Says Report Received by Finns.

Washington, March 2. — Sailors and laborers have united in a revolt in Petrograd, which started on February 24, and the city has been placed under martial law, so the Finnish legation here announced it was informed last night through the general staff of its army.

Clashes have occurred, with casualties at many places, the advices stated, and Vassily-Ostrov is occupied by the insurgents and shut off from the rest of the city.

The infantry distributed arms, but has refrained from taking part in the revolt, it was added, and laborers in all factories have struck.

Warsaw, March 2.—A wireless message encouraging the Polish strikers in their efforts to "better their condition," and urging them to continue the strike to the bitter end, sent from Soviet Russia, was intercepted by the Polish government yesterday.

Seventeen wholesale dealers in foodstuffs were arrested in Warsaw yesterday. One of the contentions of the strikers was that food prices had increased by leaps and bounds, owing to the lax method of the government in dealing with profiteers.

BRITAIN NEED NOT JOIN JAPS AGAINST U. S.

London, March 2—Replying in the House of Commons last night to a question by Sir Frederick Hall as to whether the terms of the Anglo-Japanese alliance precluded the possibility of Great Britain being compelled to furnish assistance to Japan in the case of a conflict between that country and the United States, Cecil Harmsworth, under secretary for foreign affairs, said that British relations with Japan had so arranged themselves that Great Britain would not be involved in such a struggle.

Sir Frederick asked whether assurances of this state of affairs had been given to the United States in connections with its naval construction programme, to which the under secretary replied that no official communication had been made, as there was no reason to believe that the responsible parties were in any doubt regarding the truth of the matter.

UNSAVORY CASE IS CHICAGO MURDER

Woman Says Ziegler Had Been Trying to "Throw Her Over."

Chicago, March 2—(Canadian Press)—Cora Orthwein, who early yesterday shot and killed Herbert P. Ziegler in her apartment in this city, had been reading from a volume of Robert W. Service's poems before tht forcible entry of Ziegler and the ensuing quarrel and tragedy. She told the police that Ziegler had been trying to "throw her over."

The Service book was found on the table open at "The Harper" and a verse was underscored:

"From Love's Close Kiss to Hell's Abyss
is One Sheer Flight, I Trow,
"And wedding ring and bridal bell are
will-o-wisps of woe,
"And it is not wise to love too well, and
this all women know.
"Wherefore, the wolf pack, having gorged
upon the lamb, their prey.
"With silent smile and serpent guile, I
make the wolf pack pay,
"With velvet paws and clenching claws,
a tigeress roused to slay."

"A woman's a damn fool to believe and damn man," she said after her arrest. "Every man's just a piece of hell. "He broke open two doors, and when I had the revolver on him he shouted:

"'You dare not; you are not game.'

"Then I fired."

PROHIBITIONISTS PRESENT RESOLUTIONS.

A delegation from the Ontario prohibition convention at Massey Hall, Toronto, visited the Ontario cabinet and presented the resolutions of the convention bearing on the demand for total prohibition.

The members of the delegation are shown as follows, from left to right, front row: Rev. W. D. Magee, Essex; Mrs. Jones, Ottawa; Mrs. Harrison, London; and W. T. Rogers, Brookville.

Back row, left to right: William Delaney, Niagara Falls; D. V. Sinclair, Belleville; and Rev. Ben Spence, secretary, and editor of the Pioneer, Toronto.

Move to Have Beer In New Brunswick Half Per Cent Stronger

Brewers Have Interview With Provincial Government

Also Want Protection Against $5,000 Tax Proposed by Quebec Government—Employers of Labor Forming Association to Reduce the Number of Accidents.

Fredericton, N. B., March 2.—That beer sold in New Brunswick as non-intoxicating beverages should be allowed to contain 2½ per cent. alcohol was the proposition placed before the provincial government this morning by representatives of the breweries located in this province.

J. L. O'Brien, of the Ready Breweries, and G. W. C. Oland, of the Red Ball Breweries, both of St. John, appeared before the provincial government this morning and suggested that the additional one-half per cent. of alcoholic strength be allowed so that there might be uniformity, contending that 2½ was the recognized maximum alcoholic strength of non-intoxicating "near-beers" in other provinces of the dominion.

It was further pointed out that under the new liquor law in Quebec the breweries of this province would be prevented by the license fee of $5,000 per annum from doing business in that province as at present, and they suggested that retaliatory measures be taken by legislation in this province to prevent Quebec brewers from shipping either full strength beers or "near beers" into this province.

The government promised the delegation that their suggestions would have consideration, but Premier Foster afterwards declined to intimate what action the government would take beyond stating that in the matter of liquor laws the administration would pursue a "safe and sane course."

Protection in Plants.

Fredericton, N. B., March 2. — A meeting of employers of labor, including lumbermen, mine owners and manufacturers, was held this morning, with a representative attendance from all over New Brunswick. The session was taken up with a discussion of the workmen's compensation act, and it was finally decided to form a provincial accident prevention society to eliminate many of the accidents for which employers of labor are held responsible under the act.

The association is permitted by a clause of the compensation act and the representatives will appear before the provincial government this afternoon to place the matter before them.

Fire Underwriters.

The provincial government meeting will continue in all probability for several days. The New Brunswick Board of Fire Underwriters today asked for a general act in connection with the prevention of fires. The Fire Marshal's Act in Nova Scotia was suggested as a model.

F. J. G. Knowlton and R. S. Ritchie of St. John, who composed the delegation, said that the extent of the fire losses in New Brunswick was out of proportion. The ratio had been larger than in any other province in 1919, and 1920 had even exceeded the previous year. Passage of an act such as suggested, which would give power to have all fires investigated, was said to be one means of reducing losses.

New Brunswick Mines.

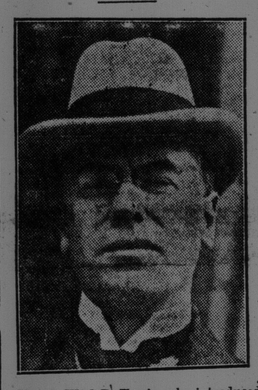
A delegation of mine workers from the coal mines in the Minto district appeared before the government, and, with Mr. Blulel as spokesman, asked that in embodying the proposed general act to govern operations of mines in the province greater protection than is now afforded should be provided for the working miners.

It was pointed out that a law that was quite alright in Nova Scotia would not be adaptable here as the miners worked under different conditions in this province.

The delegation was told that Hon. C. W. Robinson, minister of lands and mines, has the matter of a general act under consideration and will have it ready for submission to the legislature at the coming session.

The mine operators have a delegation in the city and they will place their side of the question before the government some time today; they have lately had a conference with the representatives of Queens and Sunbury counties, the two constituencies affected.

OTTAWA DOES NOT AGREE WITH HON. MR. FARRIS



Hon J. W. deB. Farris, who introduced the bill in the B. C. legislature to make changes in the liquor laws of the province. He is a New Brunswicker.

Ottawa, March 2—(Canadian Press)—"British Columbia," it was said at the department of justice today, "is free to say what methods of dealing with liquor shall be unlawful in British Columbia."

Strong oujection is taken to the statement reported to have been made by Hon. J. W. Deb. Farris, attorney-general of British Columbia in the British Columbia legislature yesterday that the dominion authorities have struck "a serious blow" at the administration of the British Columbia bill to regulate the sale of liquor within the province.

"The position is very simple," was the comment made here today. "Under the law as it stands today, importation into a province, of liquor to be dealt with in violation of the law of the province is prohibited. Now, it is entirely within the power of British Columbia to determine what methods of dealing with liquor shall be forbidden in that province, and whatever method of dealing with liquor in British Columbia it declares to be unlawful then, automatically, under the existing dominion law, importation with that unlawful purpose in view is prohibited. The measure of the effectiveness of the dominion act is precisely the measure of British Columbia's desire. If British Columbia wishes to prohibit everybody from having liquor except the government and persons acquiring it from the government, the effect of the dominion law will be to prevent importation of liquor when for the purpose of violating the provincial law."

DEMONTS CHAPTER HEARS MATTERS OF MUCH INTEREST

At the monthly meeting of DeMonts Chapter, I. O. D. E., this morning it was announced that, through the efforts of the order, all German-made moving picture films had been withdrawn from Canada. Mrs. Walter E. Foster, the regent, opened the meeting, after which the first vice-regent, Mrs. S. A. M. Sainner, took the chair and conducted the business of the morning. Mrs. Walter Holly was elected a member of the chapter.

Mrs. M. G. Teed, educational secretary, displayed three pictures, one of Joseph Brant, one of the death of Wolfe, and a third entitled "Canada's Answer," portraying the sailing of the first Canadian contingent. The pictures will be framed and presented to the school at Lorneville. Mrs. Teed also reported that through the efforts of the Daughters of the Empire all German-made films had been withdrawn from Canada. It was decided that the chapter should hold a pantry sale at Easter time. Councillors were nominated for the provincial chapter and Mrs. George K. McLeod was appointed a delegate to the national annual meeting at Toronto.

CHICAGO GRAIN REPORT.

Chicago, March 2.—Opening: Wheat, March, $1.69 1-4; May, $1.59 1-2. Corn, May, 70 3-8; July, 72 5-8. Oats, May, 45 3-8; July, 46 5-8.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Harim Hornbeam, "I read that the mosquitoes in New Jersey are already preparing for their spring drive."

"I s'pose some feller that wants to sell musketer nettin' started that yarn," said Hiram.

"I never thought of that," said the reporter. "Do you know, Hiram, I believe that at some time you must have taken a course in the art of salesmanship."

"No," said Hiram, "but I been takin' a course for more'n forty years in tryin' to keep fellers from sellin' things to me. They're smart. I've seen 'em sell a man things he didn't want any more'n I want six toes—yes, sir. They'd jist make him believe the time was comin' right away when he couldn't git along without the thing they was sellin'. They'd figger out what he'd save, an' what a blessin' it 'ud be, an' he'd git so after a while he'd swaller it like new milk. Jist the same, though," added Hiram, "I aint sayin' it aint a good thing to dreen the swamps where the muskeeters breeds. That's what I'd do. Then the wimmin could use that there nettin' for veils. They got to hev 'em—an' if it was the fashion they'd wear fence wire—By Hen!"

TO PLEAD CAUSE OF CHRISTIANS IN THE NEAR EAST

Patriarch of Constantinople is in London—Allied Business Men Leave Batum.

London, March 2—Monsignor Giuseppe Cepetelli, Patriarch of Constantinople, has arrived in London to plead the cause of Christians in the Near East before the representatives of Allied nations.

Constantinople, March 2—Batum is being evacuated by Allied traders and bankers, and by some refugees who reached that city from Tiflis. Russian Bolshevik troops in large numbers are invading Georgia from all directions, so it is said in despatches received here.

NEW YORK GIRLS' EARNINGS MATCH THE SINGLE MEN'S

Albany, N. Y., March 2—Single women in New York state, subject to the state income tax, made a creditable showing compared with the single men in 1919, so Mark Graves, director of the state income tax bureau told a conference of assessors and annual tax conference in session here today.

While the single male, not head of a family, had an average income of $2,459, the average income of the single female, with no incumbents was $2,394.

The average income of the male head of a family was $2,857.

COSTA RICANS READY TO FIGHT

San Jose, March 2—Hundreds of citizens of Costa Rica are volunteering for military against Panama, and patriotic spirit is being shown in all parts of the country.

The national assembly has given President Acosta a vote confidence by acclaimation and declared itself in solidarity with the government in defending the integrity of the national territory.

NOT IN FAVOR OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT IN THE SCHOOL ROOM

Washington, March 2—Corporal punishment of school children is "likely to indicate weakness in the teacher," said P. P. Claxton, federal commissioner of education, today in a statement prompted by reports that he has received of severe punishments in some United States schools. One report told of a 14 year old boy having received 100 lashes.

"Any person competent to teach and manage a school can maintain discipline without corporal punishment," the statement said. "Education and discipline have no use for such methods."

STRIKE ENDED.

Florence, March 2—The strike here ended at midnight. Normal train service will be resumed today. The communists have published a proclamation to the workers asking them to return to work.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

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

Synopsis—A moderate disturbance is moving eastward across northern Ontario, causing light snow or rain in some parts of the province. The weather has turned somewhat cooler in the western provinces, but continues mild from the Great Lakes eastward.

Cloudy and Mild.

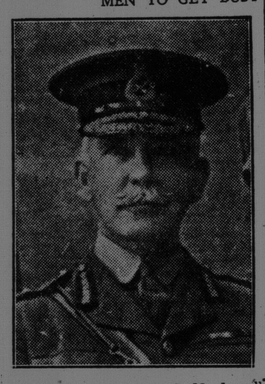
Maritime—Moderate winds, fair and mild. Thursday, strong southwest winds; cloudy and mild, with showers.

Gulf and North Shore—Mostly cloudy and mild today; snow or probably part rain tonight and on Thursday.

New England—Rain probably tonight and Thursday morning, followed by clearing. Warmer tonight; colder late Thursday afternoon or night; increasing southerly winds.

Will Not Discuss The Case With Germany But Make Her Bow

ADVISES MILITARY MEN TO GET BUSY



Major-General Sir A. C. Macdonnell, who told the Canadian Artillery Association to combat the talk that the possession of a militia force meant militarism.

Formal Reply to the Hun Proposition in Preparation

A Charge of Bad Faith, a Reminder of Peace Treaty Violation and Notice of What the Allies Will Do—Press Comments in London and Paris.

London, March 2—Notice to Germany that her reparations proposals submitted Tuesday would not be discussed with her and that the Allies were ready to enforce the payment of the German obligations was in preparation today by the committee of the supreme council, appointed to frame a reply to the German proposals.

The instructions given by the heads of the Allied delegation to this committee were in substance:

1—The Allied governments decline to discuss proposals advanced with evident bad faith.

2—Germany shall be reminded of her various violations of the peace treaty.

3—The German government shall be informed of immediate steps the Allies are determined to take in beginning to enforce the collection of Germany's obligations.

The Allied representatives met at St. James' Palace at noon to receive the report of military and juridical experts who had spent the morning drawing up plans for action against Germany in case she did not comply with the Allied terms.

Andrew Bonar Law, government leader in the British house, and one of the government's foremost financial experts, attended the conference for the first time.

The Germans today were merely marking time, awaiting the summons of the Allies to hear the decision on the German proposals.

The result of yesterday's conference had been communicated to Berlin by the German delegates but up to last evening they had received no new instructions from their government.

Preparing the Answer.

London, March 2—Representatives of the Allied nations met here today to frame a categorical answer to the German counter-proposals on the reparations question, which were submitted yesterday. It was believed today's meeting would reach a decision upon the Allied terms, which are to be handed Dr. Walter Simons, head of the German delegation, here tomorrow.

Legal land economic experts attached to the Allied delegations met last night with Louis Loucheur, French minister of liberated regions, and prepared a report to be submitted today. This meeting was adjourned until ten o'clock today, and it was expected that the report to the supreme council would include a decision whether, under the Versailles treaty, penalties could be exacted of Germany before May 1.

Foreign Minister Sforza of Italy has been insisting that the matter be given careful consideration before drastic action was decided upon, basing his stand on the ground that a deadlock might mean economic disaster for all Europe.

This morning's newspapers were unanimous in declaring the German offer of the equivalent of $7,500,000,000 in reparation was wholly inadequate. "Impudent," "ludicrous," "fantastic," and "grotesque," were some of the adjectives the principal newspapers used in commenting on the German terms.

"No trace of loyalty or good faith," the Chronicle asserted, "appeared in the offer, which was intended as an evasion of the Versailles treaty."

Even the pacifist Daily News confesses it was at a loss to understand the German mentality. "The Germans," the newspaper said, "truly astonished the world by an absurd offer, which was utterly inadequate and frankly unacceptable. Unless Dr. Simons returns to realities it is good-bye to a just settlement and a solid European peace."

"It is not easy to speak with patience of this combination of business cunning, chicanery and sheer impudence," asserted the London Times. "Doubtless the German delegates are armed with a whole series of successive schemes, each giving series of successive schemes, each giving a little more than its predecessor. But when her bluff is called, she will abandon it."

"Shadowy, ludicrous and ill-informed as Dr. Simons' speech may have been," said the Morning Post, "it served to unite the Allies. It was tragic because, even now, Germany does not realize her infamy."

The Daily Telegraph declares nobody was prepared for such a fantastic offer, and adds: "Great Britain must support France whether naval action or economic pressure should be decided upon."

The French Press.

Paris, March 2—Newspapers of this city are united in declaring that Germany's proposals, submitted in London yesterday, were unacceptable.

"Germany's ludicrous offer," appears to sum up the view of the majority, and the remark of Lloyd George: "We had better adjourn quickly or we will find we owe them money," finds immense favor.

Premier Briand's newspaper, the Eclair, says: "France hitherto has shown the utmost patience, and if Germany compels her to do so, she will use her strength remorselessly in full agreement with the Allies."

The Petit Parisien, which has the widest circulation of any Paris newspaper, says: "Faced with the German proposals, which insult the misery of the populations of our devastated regions and which mock all the Allies, there is not a single one of our young soldiers who, if the nation should require it, will not readily go and mount guard in the Ruhr region."

Jacques Rainville, a widely known writer on foreign topics, says in L'Action Francaise: "It is the good fortune of France always to be able to count upon the clumsiness of the Germans. Their eternal blunders save us from our own."

Some Things Allies May Do.

London, March 2—Reuter's Limited says it understands from French quarters that among the proposed penalties for Germany if she does not agree to the reparations demands are the levying of fifty per cent. on sales of goods from Germany in allied countries, the establishment of special customs which from an economic viewpoint would separate the left bank of the Rhine from the remainder of Germany, the occupation of the coal ports on the right bank of the Rhine, and, as a last resort, the seizure of German customs.

London, March 2—The German customs in the occupied territory would be taken over as the first step in forcing the payment of Germany's obligations, should that prove necessary, under plans being drawn up by a committee of the supreme council today. No indication that the Allies intend to occupy additional German territory at present appears in the instructions given by the Allied leaders to this committee, which is framing a reply to the German reparations proposals.

NEW COMPANIES; ONE IN LANCASTER

Boy Arrested Bargaining to Pawn Diamond Ring

Jewelry Missing From Home Train Service Protest—Synod Legislation for House.

Fredericton, N. B., March 2—Notice of the incorporation of two new construction companies in New Brunswick is contained in the Goyal Gazette.

The Maritime Construction Company, Limited, with head office in Lancaster, and total capital stock of $40,500, has been incorporated. The company is authorized to carry on business of constructing, manufacturing, quarrying, etc. Those incorporated are Murray W. Long, contractor; Harry B. Tippet, accountant; and Joseph L. O'Brien, manager, all of Lancaster.

The Allan Construction Company, Limited, is incorporated with head office at Old Ridge, Charlotte county. The capital stock is $40,000. The company is authorized to carry on the general business of contractors, constructors, and builders. Those incorporated are H. W. Mann, lumberman; W. A. McVay, contractor; Allan M. McLean, accountant; Randall J. Webber, manager, and P. Elmer McLaughlin, of St. Stephen.

J. Pat Smythe, Limited, with capital stock of $49,900, is incorporated. The head office is at Green River, Madawaska county. Those incorporated are J. Pat Smyth, John L. Smyth and Mrs. Sophie Smyth, all of Green River.

Rev. Dennis M. Coll, C. SS. R., St. John, Catholic, has been registered to solomonize marriage.

Roy Gerald Craig, a youth who asserts his home is in Prince Edward Island, was arrested yesterday while he was bargaining to pawn a diamond ring that, it is said, was stolen from the home of Alderman Camp several days ago. The previous day, it is said, he pawned a gold watch, also said to have been the property of Ald. Camp, for $4.50, and when arrested he was wearing a brown overcoat which had been stolen from the house at the same time that jewelry to the value of more than $800 was taken. He was remanded until March 10.

Craig gave his age as eighteen. He says he bought the articles early in February at the C. N. R. station from a man going away and wanted the money.

Fredericton, N. B., March 2—The city council has appointed a committee to act with the board of trade and other civic actions in protesting against the curtailment of the train service on the C. N. R., especially the service on the St. John Valley division.

Fredericton, N. B., March 2—In the Royal Gazette there is notice that the Diocesan Synod of Fredericton will present to the legislature a bill for enactment authorizing women to vote at parish meetings, in accordance with a resolution passed at the last session of the synod.

SPRUCE LAKE WORK.

Since the first of the year the contractors for the Spruce Lake extension have delivered on the site of their manufacturing plant on the Manawagonish Road more than $27,000 worth of material for the manufacture of the concrete pipe, and further supplies are arriving daily of gravel, cement, steel reinforcing mesh, and castings which are required. Not only has the greater part of the supplies been purchased through St. John firms, but a large proportion of this material, especially the gravel and castings, has originated in St. John, and employment has been given to a large number of citizens during the winter. It was said by the commissioner of water and sewerage that his action, and that of the council, in using a type of water supply pipe which would leave the largest possible proportion of cost in the city which is paying for it was justified.

EXCHANGE TODAY.

New York, March 2—Sterling exchange heavy. Demand, 387 1-2. Cables, 388 1-4. Canadian dollars, 12 7-16 per cent discount.

ROTARIANS TO CROSS OCEAN 1,200 STRONG

Away in June to Edinburgh Conference — Montreal to Put Pep Into Sherbrooke Club.

Chicago, March 2—Two steamships have been chartered to carry 1,200 members of Rotary clubs from the United States and Canada to the annual convention of the International Association in Edinburgh, Scotland, in June. The Rotarians will sail on June 1.

Montreal, March 2—Montreal Rotarians, at their luncheon yesterday decided that something should be done to boost the organization in Sherbrooke, which it was shown was giving signs of lapsing into inertia. The Sherbrooke Rotarians are to provide a banquet on March 7, and a big delegation from the local club will attend, carrying some of their best speakers.

ENGINEER AND FIREMAN BLAMED

Crew of Michigan Central Locomotive That Was in Wreck Which Cost 37 Lives.

Chicago, March 2—Responsibility for the wreck at Porter, Ind., last Sunday night, in which thirty-seven persons were killed, today had been fixed, so far as officials of the railroads involved were concerned, upon Engineer W. S. Long and Firemen George F. Block, of the Michigan Central passenger train.

Henry Shearer, general manager of the Michigan Central, declared that Long and Block "violated rules and regulations in failing to observe and properly obey signal indications."

Long early today at his home in Jackson, Mich., refused to say anything about the result of the railroad officials inquiry, until he had been released from his pledge to his superiors not to discuss the accident.

THE PACKING HOUSE BUTCHERS IN MONTREAL STILL OUT ON STRIKE

Montreal, March 2—There were 455 cattle, four sheep and eighty hogs for sale today on the market. The packing house butchers are still out on strike. A few hogs and calves are being slaughtered at one of the abattoirs plans and a few cattle are being killed at small establishments around the city. Packers have sold on the stock yards three or four loads of stock that had been consigned direct to their prviate sidings. Only a very limited amount of live stock can be handled under present conditions. About twenty of the cattle included in today's offerings were milkers and springers.

Hogs were sold for $15, and veal calves for $10 to $13.

J. W. NORCROSS RECEIVED BY KING GEORGE TODAY

London, March 2—(Canadian Associated Press)—The king today received J. W. Norcross, president of the Canada Steamships Lines, Ltd., who has been appointed to represent Canada on the foreign commercial commission inquiring into the rehabilitation of world trade.

CASE WAS DISMISSED.

A case of attempted kidnapping, charged against Mrs. May Kitchen of St. John by the Children's Aid Society of Fredericton, on Jan. 19, was dismissed Feb. 23. Mrs. Kitchen denies trying to kidnap any child and says that she was unable to attend the trial at Fredericton on Feb. 23, against John Stilwell, Christine Collins and herself, as she and her family were confined to their home, 155 Brussels street, with an attack of influenza.