

AUSTRIA TO LET ALLIES RUN NATION

Government Notifies Entente It Cannot Continue After January 15th.

NO MONEY TO PAY ANY OF ITS BILLS

Bankrupt Nation Will Leave Administration in Hands of Reparations Committee.

London, Jan. 11.—The Austrian Government has announced to the Entente that it is at the end of its resources and no longer in a position to continue, according to a report which has reached official German quarters, says a London Times despatch from Berlin.

The Government has declared its intention to retire January 15 and place the administration of the country in the hands of the reparations committee, the despatch adds.

EXPERT DENIES STATEMENT OF PHONE COMPANY

Claims Estimated Loss in Operations for Year is Much Too High.

DECLARES SUPPLIES ARE CHEAPER NOW

Information Essential to Determine Measured Service Costs Not Available Yet.

Ottawa, Jan. 11.—Sharp differences of opinion as to the probability of a decrease in the cost of operation on account of a drop in wages, were voiced today by officials of the Bell Telephone Company and W. J. Hagenbach, telephone expert, appearing for the city of Montreal, at the hearing of the application for increased telephone rates before the railway board. He was inclined to the view, that public utilities like other business organizations would be affected if there was much unemployment; that labor unions would not be able to maintain the present rate of wages and that the inevitable consequence must be a reduction in the cost of operation.

Dispute Bill Figures
Dealing with other aspects of the application for increased rates the telephone expert declared that the company's estimates of operating and other expenses for the year 1920 had not been borne out by the results. Upon the basis of eleven months of actual returns and an estimate for the twelfth month he declared that the company would for the year 1920 have a net deficit of \$1,423,433 instead of \$2,129,450 as estimated.

Supplies Are Cheaper
Mr. Hagenbach asserted that many commodities, including those used by the telephone company, are falling in value. As conditions were unsettled, any relief given should be of a temporary character.

Regarding the proposal to introduce a measured service, Mr. Hagenbach submitted that the information necessary to establish the proper basis for such service had not been supplied.

Battered Up Face Of Movie Man Who Took His Pictures

Husband Without Religion and Wife on Hunger Strike Objects to Publicity.

Danville, Ill., Jan. 11.—Harry Birch, a camera man, representing a motion picture news service, of Chicago, was thrashed today by Ernest Harrington, whose wife is on a hunger strike to force her husband to join a church.

Birch, it is said, went to the Harrington home and attempted to gain admittance.

"We are getting enough notoriety as it is, and I don't want pictures of me going all over the world," said Harrington, who is said to have administered such a beating that Birch lost consciousness.

Mrs. Birch, who accompanied her husband here from Springfield, rushed to the woodshed, where the encounter occurred, when she heard her husband's cries, and with the assistance of others, took him to a physician. Birch's nose was broken, both eyes were closed and his face was badly swollen. He has made no complaint against Harrington.

Riots Spreading in India—Police Are Powerless in Cities

Six Hundred Arrests Have Been Made in Allahabad Region and Trouble is Growing.

Allahabad, British India, Jan. 11.—The police are powerless to quell the rioting in this region, which has spread to Sultanpur, sixty miles to the northeast, where buildings have been burned. Troops have been summoned from Lucknow. There have been six hundred persons arrested.

PRESBYTERY ON MIXED MARRIAGE AND ANNULMENT

Legal Action May be Taken on Issues Raised by Catholic Church.

PRESBYTERIANS CITE PART OF CONSTITUTION

All Ministers Urged to Warn Congregations of Dangers in Mixed Marriages.

Montreal, Jan. 11.—The marriage laws of Quebec Province formed the subject of a report which was presented to the Montreal Presbytery at its meeting here today by a committee which had been considering the legal position raised by various recent decisions of the courts, annulling mixed marriages.

After hearing the report and the statement of the Rev. Dr. Hanson, a protest was formally entered against such annulments.

Cites the Constitution
The report cited that part of the constitution of the Dominion which states that "no foreign prince, person, or state, or ecclesiastical authority shall exercise or enjoy any manner of power—spiritual or ecclesiastical" and concluded therefrom that no decree of any ecclesiastical authority can have any force in this country.

Against Mixed Weddings
The report added that the general assembly should be memorialized to urge on the federal government the passing of a law which shall remove any possible doubt on the subject of mixed marriages.

The Presbytery further instructed its ministers to warn members and adherents of its churches against the perils of mixed marriages, the risks involved in the betrayal of the innocent, the repudiation of the marriage vows, the breaking up of homes and the proselytizing of children.

Boy Drowned While Skating on Mill Pond

Four Who Were With Him Were Rescued, But Victim Could Not Be Reached.

Yarmouth, N. S., Jan. 11.—Yernon, the eight-year-old son of Edwin Doner, was drowned this afternoon while skating on a pond at Yarmouth North. Four other boys went through the ice at the same time, and all but Doner's were rescued.

Sydney Hotel Man Dies Very Suddenly

Sydney, N. S., Jan. 11.—The death of Alphonse Vassallo, well known hotel man, occurred unexpectedly at five o'clock this morning. He was a native of Malta, and 54 years of age. In early life he was in the navy. He is survived by his wife and several children.

Alberta's Premier Sick At Montreal

Edmonton, Alta., Jan. 11.—Premier Charles Stewart of Alberta, was operated on at the Royal Alexandra Hospital at 4:30 o'clock this morning for appendicitis. His condition is now reported to be favorable, and a satisfactory recovery is expected. The session of the legislature, which was called to meet January 26, will be postponed.

REPRESENTS TRADES' CONGRESS

Ottawa, Jan. 11.—John G. O'Donoghue, Toronto, will take care of the interests of the Trades' and Labor Congress in the pending legal action taken by the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees.

CONSTANTINE DENIES RUMOR

Athens, Jan. 11.—King Constantine today denied that Prince Christopher had been offered the Albanian throne.

FINE AUTOS FOR PRIZES IN CONTEST

Studebaker, Gray-Dort and Ford Cars Given Away in Standard's Contest.

CHANCES TO BECOME MOVING PICTURE STARS

Tryout at Universal City, California, With Regular Salary During the Work.

The Daily and Semi-Weekly Standard want many more subscribers before Spring rolls round again. We are going to pay liberally in costly prizes to those who aid in placing St. John's enterprising Morning Daily and Semi-Weekly in every home in the communities that they cover.

Business Proposition
If we were to put out a body of collectors to cover the vast territory covered by The Daily and Semi-Weekly Standard, the cost in wages, railroad fare, hotel expenses, etc. would run into thousands of dollars. We are going to give the public a chance to earn that money in the form of valuable prizes. Our big prize contest will make a lot more "noise" and there is nothing like having some fun along with business.

Costly Prizes in List
Among the \$15,000 list of prizes is an elegant seven-passenger Studebaker Touring Car with a cash value of over \$3900. This type of Studebaker is so popular in St. John and Brunswick that it needs no introduction here. It is noted for its quick pick-up, ability to develop speed and its unlimited power.

Among the other automobiles in the prize list are a Gray-Dort five-passenger Touring Car, The Gray-Dort is noted for its hill-climbing ability and its low cost of up-keep.

Two five-passenger Ford Touring Cars are also included in the prize list, fully equipped with all of the latest factory equipment.

Movie Star Chance
Two opportunities to become Stars with the National Film Company, including railroad fare to the Studios at Universal City, California, four weeks' tryout at \$25 per week, contract for at least six months, etc., are among the prizes to be won.

Arrangements are being made at the present time for the complete list of prizes and full details will be published within the course of the next few days. The above list of free awards, however, shows that the quality will be up to the usual Standard quality.

Subscribers Share Also
One of the unique features of the contest is that subscribers as well as candidates have an opportunity to win one of the free autos. Twenty-two free prizes for subscribers will be given in connection with a guessing contest, including a five-passenger Ford.

The idea is a Nutshell
The prizes will be given away to the candidates who secure the highest number of votes during the course of the contest, which will last for 10 working weeks. Votes can be secured in two ways (1) by clipping them from issues of the Standard (beginning tomorrow); and by securing new or renewed subscriptions to the Daily or Semi-Weekly Standard. The schedules of votes given for subscriptions will be furnished upon application. The schedules decrease from time to time therefore the plan is to get the early start.

Watch Tomorrow's Issue
A full page announcement of the big contest will appear in tomorrow's issue. Read every word carefully. But do not wait for the official announcement before enrolling your name. Enroll in the big campaign NOW—get the early start—An early start is half the battle. Receipt books and other printed supplies are promised by the printers today. There is no reason why you cannot obtain your supplies and get a run-away start in the contest while others are making up their minds as to whether they will enroll or not.

CONTEST DEPARTMENT IS LOCATED ON THE 4TH FLOOR OF THE STANDARD BUILDING, PHONE M. 1210 IF YOU CAN'T TALK, PHONE AND A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE WILL CALL YOU. AND GIVE YOU FULL DETAILS.

PARLIAMENT MAY MEET FEB. 10

Ottawa, Jan. 11.—Thursday, Feb. 10, was discussed at this morning's meeting of the cabinet council, as the date for the opening of parliament.

WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA
Three missing United States balloonists were safely at Matagorda. One of Alberta is sick in a Montreal hospital. Parliament will meet in Ottawa about February 10 next. Three hanged at Hamilton, Ont., are given ten years each for their crimes.

UNITED STATES
Protest in California are thought to have played havoc with the fruit crop. President Davis to decide fate of Lord Mayor O'Callaghan. Many amendments to the proposed embargo bill may take effect out of the United States ship officer shot to death by a Japanese soldier at Vladivostok.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels suggests President-Elect Harding call conference of nations on neutral holiday proposed. Sinn Fein leader taken from boat near Belfast and shot dead. Use of autos in Cork during the night has been prohibited.

EUROPE
Austria has notified the Entente that she can do nothing more and asks reparations committee to rule land. Grave riots have broken out in Northern India and 600 arrests have been made.

INDIA
Soviet troops refuse to face extreme winter. Desertion and insubordination common in army since bitter weather came.

ONE DIVISION HAS LEFT WEST ARMENIA
After February 1st France will render no more assistance in the Crimea.

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Moncton Wants New Post Office At Once

City Council, Having Many Unemployed in City, Will Urge Claim for Building.

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 11.—The superintendent of the local office of the Dominion Employment Service tonight reported to the city council that he had 250 applications for work the past week which he could not fill.

The city council will memorialize the Dominion government for a new post office for Moncton to start same at once in order to relieve unemployment situation.

SINN FEINER TAKEN IN BED AND MURDERED

Sister's Tears and Battle Could Not Save Her Brother's Life at Belfast.

NO MORE MARTIAL LAW FOR DUBLIN

Use of Motor Cars in Cork Prohibited Between 8 p. m. and 6 a. m.

Belfast, Jan. 11.—John Doran, a prominent young Sinn Feiner of Canolough, South Armagh, which has been the scene of recent attacks on the police, was taken from his bed in his father's at midnight last night, by seven armed men and shot to death. After a distressing scene in the house Doran was led to a spot nearby, where his brother Michael was compelled to witness the execution. A sister was injured in trying to prevent her brother's removal.

Not Extending Martial Law.
Dublin, Jan. 11.—Dublin Castle stated today that there was no truth in published reports that the authorities contemplated the extension of martial law to Dublin city and county.

Prohibits Motor Use.
Cork, Jan. 11.—General Strickland, commanding the military forces has prohibited the use of motor cars, motor cycles and bicycles between the hours of 8 o'clock at night and 6 o'clock in the morning throughout the entire area under martial law.

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Fatted Pig—Not the Calf—Slaughtered to Feed U. S. Balloonist

Father of Lieut. Kloor Prepares Feast for Son Who Escaped Death in Northland.

Crowley, La., Jan. 11.—Louis A. Kloor, father of Lieut. Kloor, one of the three naval balloonists whose arrival at Mattice, Ont., was announced today, closed his grocery store soon after he received the news, and killed a fatted young pig which will be prepared for the feast to welcome the young officer to his home.

"It is what he likes best," Kloor stated, "and we want to give him a real 'home folks' feast when he gets through with the necessary formalities and is able to come to us. The weather is cold now and the pig will be about right when he comes."

DANIELS FAVORS HOLIDAY IN ALL WARSHIP ORDERS

Pres.-Elect. Harding Urged to Call a Naval Limitation Conference of Nations.

Wilson Thought League of Nations Could Accomplish Desired Objects.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The present time was described as ripe for a movement toward limitation of naval armaments by international agreement by Secretary Daniels of the Navy and Acting Secretary Davis of the state department, in testimony today before the house affairs committee.

Secretary Daniels declared that in his opinion the move might properly be made by President-elect Harding, who, he said, could call and hold an international disarmament conference within two months after his inauguration.

Why Wilson is Silent.
Secretary Daniels told the committee that President Wilson had not called such a conference because the president felt in view of the short time he would remain in office such action would embarrass the incoming administration. Mr. Wilson did not use the powers granted him in the 1916 act at the close of the war, Mr. Daniels added, because he thought the participation by the United States in the League of Nations would bring about the desired result.

Limit or Build Biggest.
The committee was urged by Mr. Daniels to authorize continuance of work on the uncompleted portion of the 1916 three-year naval building programme until an international agreement of some kind was reached. He asserted that if no such agreement could be obtained from the powers, the United States should build "the greatest navy in the world."

Steel Company Will Offer Freight Monday

Railway Men Insist They Will Refuse to Move the Comsignments Offered.

Sydney, N. S., Jan. 11.—Officials of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company received official confirmation today from Montreal of the intention of the steel corporation directors to offer freight to the Canadian National Railway on Monday. Prominent labor men here are of the opinion that any freight which will be offered to the government line by the company will never be shipped and that the railway men will carry their embargo orders to the letter.

Death Sentence For Part in Ambuscade

Dublin, Jan. 11.—The sentence of death has been promulgated in the case of Jos. Murphy of Cork, who was found guilty by a court martial December 15 of having led an attack in Cork October 8 on the military when he carried a bomb and a revolver. A private was killed in this attack.

FINE RESIDENCE BURNED

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 11.—Fire believed to be of incendiary origin, late last night completely destroyed "Wick" the North-west Arm residence of George Ritchie, barrister. The house was unoccupied. Mr. Ritchie and his sisters being in Bermuda for the winter. The loss, which includes a quantity of valuable antique furniture is estimated at \$20,000. The house was built fifty years ago.

SHIP OUT OF OIL

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 11.—The American ship Old North State, from London for New York, is heading for Halifax for fuel oil, according to a radio from the steamer tonight. The steamer, which is of 10,500 tons, is expected to reach port early tomorrow morning.

O'CALLAGHAN'S FATE IN HAND OF PRESIDENT

Clash Between State and Labor Departments Sends Case to Mr. Wilson.

NO INKLING AS TO PRESIDENT'S ATTITUDE

But General Impression is That He Will Order Exclusion from United States.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Decision as to the deportation of Lord Mayor O'Callaghan of Cork, who arrived in New York last week as a stormy way without a passport, was referred today to President Wilson. President Wilson's advice was sought at today's cabinet meeting. The President this was called upon to decide between the position of Acting Secretary Davis of the State Department, who has insisted on exclusion of the Lord Mayor from the United States for attempting to enter without a passport, and that of Secretary of Labor Wilson, who has refused to acknowledge jurisdiction of the State Department until the case has been formally presented to it by the Labor Department. The President's view is unknown.

BALLOON RACED THROUGH CLOUD INTO TREE TOP

Crew Had No Idea Where They Were When They Slid Down Tree to Ground.

DEMONSTRATED POWER OF THE BIG AIRSHIP

Possible for Ordinary Bag Balloon to Sail 1,200 Miles With 35,000 Cubic Feet of Gas.

Mattice, Ont., Jan. 11.—(By E. J. Lendrum, staff correspondent of the Canadian Press and The Associated Press.)—One important scientific feat has been discovered as a result of the American balloonist's trip to Mattice Factory district, Lieut. Kloor said on his arrival here.

He explained that it had been demonstrated that a balloon with a capacity of 35,000 cubic feet, had buoyancy enough to travel 1,200 miles, something that had been thought possible for a dirigible under 90,000 cubic feet capacity.

The crew of the balloon had thrown away everything in the balloon to keep her up in the air. Lieut. Kloor said, including their instruments, which were a stadiometer, altimeter and compass.

In Clouds Most of Time.
The naval officers said they had been travelling through the clouds most of the time during their trip from Rockaway Point and they had no idea of their location when they came down. In making the descent the balloon struck a number of trees swinging clear several times before finally lodging in the topmost branches of one. The crew, after reaching the ground, concluded from the appearance of the country that they were in some part of the Adirondacks. They continued under this impression until they were rescued by Tom Marks, some three days later.

Canada Spends Too Much Over Border

Luxury Taxes Were Like a Blister—Needed But Must Not Be Left Too Long.

Brookville, Ont., Jan. 11.—Speaking before members of the Eastern Ontario and Ottawa district branch of the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada at their annual banquet here tonight, held in connection with the third annual convention of the organization, Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance, conveyed to the citizens of Canada, a strong denunciation of the extravagant spending of Canada's money in the United States for commodities which are conceded to be the Dominion's richest products.

Dealing with the dead luxury taxes Sir Henry Drayton stated that the tax was a blister applied in a time of need, but like a mustard plaster which had served its useful purpose, was not left on too long.

Hon. R. W. Wilmour, minister of customs and inland revenue, stated that the government of Canada is anxious to be advised by the people whom they represent and are devoting their best efforts to the service of Canada as a whole.