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FAIR AND COOL

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JELlicoe RECOMMENDS THAT CANADA JOIN IN KEEPING FLEET ON PACIFIC OCEAN

Believes That Co-operation With New Zealand and Australia in Pacific Waters Will be of Great Aid to Britain.

IMPERIAL NAVY TO POLICE ATLANTIC

How Far the Government Will be Guided by the Admiral's Report is Problematical—Believed Nothing Will be Done This Year.

Special to The Standard
Ottawa, Jan. 9.—The building and maintenance by Canada of a Canadian fleet to be mainly concentrated in the Pacific, in co-operation with the naval forces of New Zealand and Australia, constitutes the main recommendation in Admiral Jellicoe's report on a Canadian navy. It is unofficially learned. The report is now in the hands of Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Naval Affairs, but has not yet been considered by the Cabinet as a whole.

Admiral Jellicoe, it is stated, recommends the maintenance of but minor naval units by Canada on the Atlantic coast, urging that the defence and policing of the Atlantic be left to the Imperial Navy. He is believed to be emphatic, however, for the maintenance by Canada, Australia and New Zealand of a strong force in the Pacific.

The British admiral's plan, it is believed, involves local control of local navies, with all the fleets subject to admiralty direction in time of war, the Dominions to be adequately represented on the Admiralty Board.

Lord Jellicoe makes an estimate of the initial cost and the annual maintenance of such a naval scheme as he suggests, but the exact figures are not available.

The question as to what extent the Government may be guided by this report, or as to whether a naval policy of any kind is to be introduced at the coming session, is problematical.

The impression in well informed circles here is that nothing will be done this year.

ONE BIG UNION PLANNING FOR ITS CONVENTION

Recent Events in Winnipeg Stir Promoters of O.B.U. to More Active Work in Organization.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 9.—Official announcement by V. R. Midgley, secretary, that the first semi-annual One Big Union convention will meet in Winnipeg on January 28, was made today. He said that delegates from every province in the Dominion were expected.

The announcement concludes by saying that the trial and sentence of R. B. Russell, convicted strike leader, and remarks of the trial judge on sympathetic strikes and picketing, make it necessary for a more efficient labor organization to combat "aggressions of the employing class," and that "even the Government may learn that they cannot destroy a movement that is necessary to the material welfare of the workers by placing the officers in jail."

FISHERMEN DROP NETS FOR HUNTING

With High Prices of Furs Manitoba Wage Earners Take up New Vocation.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 9.—(Canadian Press, Limited).—With fishermen abandoning nets to go trapping, Indians and even miners hot on the trail of silver foxes, beavers, mink, martens, wolves and muskrats, northern Manitoba is enjoying a record breaking fur catching season. Commissioner Wallace announced today. Muskrat skins are selling as high as four dollars each, and it is estimated that four million dollars worth of furs will be marketed this season.

Poland's Burden of War Fell More Heavily On Civilians Than Militia

Warsaw, Jan. 9.—More than 2,000,000 civilians have died in Poland since the outbreak of war, and twenty per cent. of the country's present population of 20,000,000 are refugees, according to figures made public here by the Red Cross. They are based on a survey made to show that the burden of war has fallen more heavily on civilians than on the militia.

The Red Cross estimate of 4,000,000 as the number thus driven from their homes is held to be highly conservative by leading Polish statesmen.

Catholic Editor Arraigned For Seditious Work

London, Jan. 9.—Charles Diamond, proprietor of the London Catholic Herald, was arraigned at the Mansion House today charged with publication of an article in which he was alleged to have said that "Killing is no murder."

"Diamond," according to the indictment, "did unlawfully solicit, encourage, persuade and endeavor to persuade and propose to divers persons in Ireland, to whom the article should be communicated, to murder divers persons carrying on."

GLACE BAY MINERS NOT SATISFIED WITH SCHEDULE

Phalen Local Roundly Denounces Its President for Having Consented to Schedule Adopted.

Glace Bay, N. S., Jan. 9.—At the meeting of the Phalen Local of the United Mine Workers, called to discuss the new wage agreement with the Dominion Coal Company, objection was taken to one or two clauses of the schedule and President Baxter was roundly denounced for having consented to the objectionable clauses. The point chiefly criticized was working three men in a room. The plan was to work three men in a room, giving the unions on the south side seventy-one cents per ton, and those on the north side seventy-seven cents. The men claim that even with the tonnage increase they would be losing money by adopting the plan. While President Baxter declined to disclose any details regarding the wage agreement, until the decision of the arbitration board is announced from Ottawa, it is understood that the increase to the miners and loaders would amount to about five cents per ton. An increase of one per cent on tonnage to machine runners is also reported.

VANDERBILTS KNOW HOW TO GET COIN

The Residence of Lat. Cornelius in New York Sold for \$5,500,000.

New York, Jan. 9.—The Cornelius Vanderbilt home, fronting Fifth Avenue from 57th to 58th street has been sold for \$5,500,000, it was announced today. It was said that the residence, one of the most costly in America, will make way for a \$20,000,000 structure. The name of the purchaser has not been disclosed. There was an uncontradicted report that the site would be used by T. Coleman Dupont for a hotel, and another that Marshall Field interests in Chicago had obtained it for a department store. Representatives of the Vanderbilt family said that they had decided to sell because of the high cost of maintaining the mansion.

ACTIVE TRADING IN ATLANTIC SUGAR

Montreal, Jan. 9.—Most active trading on the local stock exchange today was Atlantic Sugar which opened at 80 1/2 and eased towards the close to 82 1/2. There was considerable liquidation in the market at the close. Canadian Car Common worked up to 73 1/2 but reacted to 70. Alton was down six points to 188. Laurentide down five to 375. Spanish River two points to 85. Howard Smith, however, moved up fifteen points to a new high of 360 with close at 359 1/2. Carriage Factories recovered two points to 45. Total trading listed 23,838; bonds, \$212,400; unlisted, 1135 and rights 10.

DUTCH CONGRESS THINKS WILLIAM SHOULD GO HOME

The First Chamber Has Drafted and Presented a Resolution to That Effect—Gov't Inclined to Demur.

The Hague, Jan. 9.—(By the Associated Press).—The first Chamber of the Dutch Parliament has drafted and presented to the Cabinet a memorandum suggesting that it now is desirable that Holland request former Emperor William of Germany to return to his own country. In the ordinary course of parliamentary procedure the Government would answer the first Chamber.

The Government, however, it has been learned by the correspondent, does not consider the memorandum important. It is explained that it was introduced at the suggestion of a single member during the budget debate, as a matter of formality.

As far as the correspondent has been able to learn, the present Dutch Government has firmly decided that it will not surrender the one time German ruler, and, although recently there was something akin to a crisis in the Cabinet, there now seems to be no probability that the Government will fall. The most opposed measure of the Government, which already has been passed, concerns the forced loan under which every Dutchman, with property valued at more than 35,000 florins, or an income of more than 10,000 florins, must subscribe.

Former Emperor William has transferred most of his wood-cutting activities to Doorn, where his new home is being built. Dressed in a green hunting coat, he was seen yesterday at Doorn, chopping or sawing off branches of newly-planted young trees which have been felled with the purpose of perfecting a new landscape for the park of his estate.

DOG TAX UNDER CONSIDERATION BY YORK COUNCIL

City Clerk of Fredericton Reported in Very Serious Condition from Heart Trouble.

Special to The Standard.
Fredericton, Jan. 9.—Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, Minister of Agriculture, addressed the York County Council this afternoon on the Dog Tax Bill. This, he said, he was bringing on the statute books at the instance of the Farmers' and Dairywomen's Association for the protection of the sheep, and his suite would be permitted to peep into it as it would mean the repeal of the dog tax in the province. Several councillors spoke expressing the same opinion, and it seemed as if the movement to have the law repealed was killed.

The council adopted the recommendation of the special committee which favored paying revisors five cents per name on each woman's name placed on the electoral lists.

GRAVE CHARGES LODGED AGAINST U. S. COMMAND

Claimed Lives Were Needlessly Sacrificed at Chaumont on Armistice Day.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 8.—Lives of United States troops were needlessly sacrificed on Armistice morning when the United States High Command at Chaumont did not specifically revoke previously issued orders to attack. Brigadier General John H. Sherburne, of Boston, former Commander of the Artillery Brigade of the 32nd negro division, today told a House subcommittee General Sherburne strongly condemned the methods of what he referred to as the "general staff game" at Chaumont, criticizing particularly a "dominating triumvirate." The general staff system, General Sherburne declared, dominated the entire army and kept commanding officers in perpetual fear of being sent to the rear in disgrace.

DVINSK REPORTED IN SAD PLIGHT

London, Jan. 9.—A despatch from the Lettish general staff states that when the Lettish and Poles captured Dvinsk early in the present week they found the population starving. Typhus is raging throughout the city.

TURKS CAUSING ALLIED POWERS MUCH CONCERN

The Apparent Refusal of United States to Accept Mandate Over Turkey Gives Rise to New Problems.

MOHAMMEDANS ARE VERY INSISTENT

Entente Foreign Offices Endeavoring to Find Some Plan to Satisfy Them and Free Constantinople from Turks.

Washington, Jan. 9.—Having abandoned hope that the United States could be induced to accept a mandate over Turkey, the Allied Powers are in conference with a view of finding some solution of the problem of expelling the Turks from Europe without causing such an uprising among the Mohammedan peoples as would endanger the control of the European nations over them.

Reports from India, Egypt and other countries where the Mohammedans are numerous, of a general objection to the expulsion of the Turk from Europe, and insistence and rejection of the head of their church in Constantinople, under threat of boycott of Christians' business and trade, and even actual warfare, have stimulated endeavors of the Entente Foreign Offices to find some plan which will satisfy the Mohammedans and at the same time free Constantinople from Turkish mal-administration.

One such project which it is learned has been brought into discussion as promising to afford a basis for action, contemplates the assumption of the control of Constantinople by the League of Nations; the declaration of the city as a free port, and the actual administration of the place by a commission nominated by the Mohammedan populations of countries and colonies, such as India, Egypt, Tunis, Morocco and possibly the Malays, and of the Philippines if the United States can be induced to participate to such an extent.

It is proposed to clothe this commission with full powers to control Constantinople politically and to administer the local government. But to satisfy the Mohammedans the Sultan and his suite would be permitted to reside there and to exercise from there all the functions of the head of his church. His position would, therefore, in some measure, correspond to that of the Pope in Rome after he had been divested of his temporal power.

COAL SHORTAGE IN ENGLAND IS NOW ALARMING

Has Now Reached the Famine Proportions in Thickly Populated Districts—Producers Blamed.

London, Jan. 9.—Shortage of household coal, which approaches famine proportions, is reported in many of the thickly populated districts throughout Great Britain, and is resulting in protests to the coal controller from numerous places in Lancashire, South Wales, in the London districts and also from Ireland.

Despite the fact that official returns show a constant increase in the output for several months, except during the Christmas and New Year's holidays, poorer citizens have found it virtually impossible to procure even small supplies since the Government announced a reduction of ten shillings on each ton affecting household coal. The distress, therefore, is acute in the present cold spell.

In some places the Municipal authorities have decided to close the grammar schools because they lack fuel with which to heat the buildings. Swansea, in Wales, is one instance where this condition prevails.

Officials of the Miners' Federation allege the shortage of coal is due to the fact that the bulk of the supply is being sent abroad at huge profits for the owners, who refuse to allow the coal to be sold in Great Britain for household purposes at the Government's prices.

A deputation representing the Mine Workers' Federation is preparing to wait upon the Government with a demand "that exorbitant profits be stopped immediately."

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BRITAIN'S LIBERAL PRESS CHAMPION LABOR IN ORDER TO KILL COALITION PARTY

RAILWAY UNION FINALLY REJECTS GOVT PROPOSAL

The Worst Feature of the Situation from Industrial Point of View is That Unions Refuse to Follow Leaders.

London, Jan. 9.—The Union of Railway Workers, at a conference today, rejected the terms offered by the Government in settlement of the wage demands of the workers. Nevertheless, there is no deadlock between the Union heads and the Government and no prospects at present of a strike. In fact the conference still is in being and will be assembled tomorrow in the hope of receiving the Government's reply regarding proposals referred back to it for consideration. There are no interviews or negotiations with Government officials tonight.

The hope this evening seemed to be that the Government might announce tomorrow whether it is willing to resume negotiations with the railwaymen. No official statement concerning the grounds for the objections of the railwaymen to the Government's proposals has been issued, but, according to good information, they were that the minimum should be based on the highest pay and there should be some sliding scale, and that the new rates of pay should be retroactive to August.

The worst feature of the situation from the industrial viewpoint is the case of both moulders and the railwaymen, the rank and file of whom have declined to follow the advice of their union leaders. It is possible, therefore, in the face of this situation, that the Government will refuse to reopen negotiations on the ground that under these conditions they would be useless.

There were rumors today that H. Thomas, General Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, who favors acceptance of the Government's terms, had threatened to resign. These were without foundation. It is considered likely that Mr. Thomas may go to Paris by airplane to consult with Premier Lloyd George, who is in the French capital for the signing of the Versailles Treaty tomorrow.

Mr. Thomas signed for the rejection of the Government's proposal. It is said to be that the men argued that with the considerable increase in freight charges recently announced, it would be impossible to pay the men the wages demanded.

PREFERRED DEATH TO BEING ROBBED

Chicago Jewelry Man Told Robbers That it Made No Difference to Him—Felled by Blow.

Chicago, Jan. 9.—When six bandits, with revolvers drawn, rushed into the jewelry store of Otto Nerad today and commanded him to open the safe, Nerad refused, saying "Go ahead and shoot. I've been robbed so often I've lost so much money that I'd just as soon you would." Whereupon Nerad was felled by a blow and with two clerks were hurried into a rear room. The bandits crammed jewelry valued at \$10,000 into a canvas bag and fled. As Nerad raced into the streets he immediately boarded the New Zealand to welcome the distinguished visitors.

HUNDRED AUTOS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Toronto, Jan. 9.—Gasoline overflowing from a motor truck this morning caused a fire at Creighton's garage here. Over one hundred privately owned motor cars, valued at over \$100,000, were destroyed and the building was damaged to the extent of over \$10,000.

SUPERSTITIOUS OF FRIDAY

Negro, Convicted of Murder, Appealed to Have Sentence Deferred Until Saturday.

New York, Jan. 9.—When Frank J. Kelly, convicted negro murderer of Catherine Dunn, who was slain in Brooklyn on December 20, was called before the bar to be sentenced to death, his counsel asked for one day's delay. He explained to the Court that Kelly was superstitious, and was convinced that if he was sentenced on Friday there would be no hope for him in an appeal. The plea was denied, however, and the week of February 18 was set for his execution. "Kelly did not give the Dunn girl a chance as to when she should die," declared Attorney Lewis in opposing a postponement.

Drawing Nearer To Settlement of Adriatic Question

London, Jan. 9.—An optimistic spirit prevails among the officials at Belgrade regarding the possibility of a settlement of the Adriatic question, according to diplomatic advices received today. Recent conversations between the Serbians and Italians and others interested and believed to have gone to pave the way for a solution of the difficulty and hope is expressed that further conferences in Paris will lead to a settlement.

DENIKINE FORCES CUT IN TWAIN IN SO. RUSSIA

Foreign Representatives Have Quit Irkutsk and Japs Have Taken Control of Barkal Ry.

Washington, Jan. 9.—Advices to the State Department today from Siberia and European Russia asserted that the foreign representatives had quit Irkutsk, that the Japanese had taken control of the Barkal railway tunnels; that the Bolsheviks were practically unopposed at Taiga and were advancing in south Russia; that hostilities between Esthonia and the Soviet had ceased and that the Polish troops were making inroads in territory formerly controlled by Denikine's forces.

The advices said that while no definite news had been received as to the location of Admiral Kolchak's headquarters, he had not reached Irkutsk yet, where the Czech forces have taken over the railroad station. In the south of Russia, the forces operating under General Denikine, the advices said, have been cut in two by the Bolshevik thrust which has penetrated to the sea of Azov in the northwest, while an armistice between the Esthonian and Soviet Russia has been signed, the Poles and Letts, through the capture of Dvinsk, have straightened out their lines and obtained direct railroad communication between Poland and Riga. In the Ukraine the Polish troops have taken over territory abandoned by the Denikine forces, occupying Jitomir and Proskurva.

ADM. JELlicoe WELCOMED AT CUBA

Received by Salute of Guns Becoming His Rank—Accompanied by Premier Borden.

Havana, Jan. 9.—Admiral Viscount Jellicoe, former commander of the British Grand Fleet and Sir Robert Borden, the Canadian Premier, reached here shortly before noon today on board the British cruiser New Zealand from Key West. The Morro Castle, the French cruiser Jeanne D'Arc, and the Cuban cruiser Cuba, fired salutes in their honor. The Maritime official immediately boarded the New Zealand to welcome the distinguished visitors.

CENT PROVED THE OPEN SESAME TO POLICE CELLS

Montreal, Jan. 9.—The possession of a cent proved the open sesame to the police cells early this morning in the case of two men charged with theft. One of the men found the coin in the lining of his waist coat and proceeded to try the lock of the cell door. He found he could lift the latch; the door opened and the two prisoners made an easy getaway. Nothing was known of the escape until the turkey made his rounds some six hours later.

Western Newspapers Will Be Forced To Suspend For Lack of Newsprint

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 9.—It is learned here that one Winnipeg daily newspaper is likely to suspend publication tomorrow, while another even with material reductions in the number of pages, will be able to hold out only until Tuesday, as a result of the Fort Frances Pulp and Paper Company again suspending shipments of newsprint to its Canadian customers.

Newspapers in Regina and Saskatoon are also in a very precarious state.

Daily News Holds That Duty of Liberals Now is to Prevent a New Lease of Life Being Given Present Government.

ADVICE GIVEN TO ASHTONIANS

First Class Political Diversion Caused by the Disfranchisement of Parliamentary Representation There by Sir Albert Stanley.

London, Jan. 9.—Although the four main candidates for the Liberal party's relinquishment of the parliamentary representation of Ashton, Leicestershire, will occupy some time, there are indications abroad of a first class political diversion. The Daily News, perhaps the most widely read of the electors to vote for Labor because it thinks that if they vote Liberal they will allow the Coalitionists to slip between two candidates. The News also just now is to prevent a new lease of power being given to the present Government, and having made an extensive survey of the field in Ashton it is convinced that Conservatism here has lost none of its hold. Ashton returned a Liberal in 1910 by 293 majority; the Conservatives won the seat by 441 majority in 1918, and the Coalitionist won last December by ten thousand. There has been a vigorous reorganization of the local Labor political machinery which resulted at the last municipal elections in returning five Liberal men and three Conservatives, replacing four Liberals and four Conservatives.

The Westminster Gazette whose opinions carry much weight with Independent Liberals, gravely dislikes the Daily News advice to Ashtonians, considering the same to be bad electioneering in the first place, for labor leader, arguing that in view of the present Labor disputes "an abdication of its duty by Liberalism, which stands for no class interest but for national well-being as a whole, would simply drive one section of Liberalism into the arms of the Coalition which aims at a class combination against the Liberal party."

Arthur Henderson, leader, condemning last night what he calls Hon. Winston Churchill's effrontery in asserting the Labor party was unfit for responsible government, said his party possessed men equal to those at the disposal of the other parties and stated they were now drawing candidates not merely from the Liberal ranks. The Labor candidate at Ashton, however, is a Trade Unionist official and will probably deny any claim to intellectualness as the term is commonly understood.

CANADA PROVIDES MECCA FOR NEW YORK "THIRSTIES"

New York, Jan. 9.—Thirsty throats after January 16 may be treated at a small island in the St. Lawrence River, just across the Canadian border line near Alexandria Bay, N. Y., according to Republican State Committeemen from Northern New York who arrived here tonight. The island, which will be the nearest "mecca for the wets" from Broadway and 42nd streets, has been acquired by a group of men "particularly about whom they drink." It was explained, and will be ready for a rush of visitors in the early spring.

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