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N. S. MINERS PROPOSE WAGE SOLUTION

CONTRACT FOR FOUR MONTHS IS SUGGESTION

Besco Officials Decline To Comment On Proposal

SUMMARY OF CASE

Miners' Representative On Conciliation Board Presents Statement

By Canadian Press. SYDNEY, N. S., Feb. 6.—No statement by way of comment on or reply to the proposals of the miners will be made by the British Empire Steel Corporation while the U. M. W. convention is in session.

This was the information obtained at the office of Vice-president J. E. McClurg of Besco, when the question of the company's answer to the men's resolution (re a four month's contract in exchange for an investigation of Besco) was taken up.

Convention Adjourned. HALIFAX, Feb. 6.—(By Canadian Press) According to a telephone message received here, the miners' convention adjourned today without announcing the move they will make in the event of the corporation turning down their proposal yesterday.

Dr. James W. Robertson, miners' representative on the conciliation board, gives the following statement of the situation:

Points of Agreement. "Both parties are agreed on fundamental matters of importance. I mention particularly the following: 1. The men have as much interest in the permanent success and reasonable prosperity of the coal business of Nova Scotia as the companies have."

Questions in Dispute. "The main question in dispute is the rate of wages the men are to receive from the companies. There is a difference of opinion and a difference of decision between the representatives of the men and the representatives of the companies."

"The men hold to the opinion and decision that they are entitled to receive at least the same rates of pay as they were getting under the 1924 contract and that in some cases they should receive higher rate. The main reasons they give are: 1. Because they need at least that much to maintain themselves and their families in a decent and comfortable way and also bear their share in sustaining the institutions of the community, the province and nation."

"2. Because they are entitled to that much as a fair share of the proceeds of the business."

"3. The companies hold to the opinion and decision that they cannot afford to pay the rates of wages they did pay in 1924, and that they need a reduction of 10 per cent. on the wages they are now paying."

"Both parties to the dispute make assertion about what the other side states and claims."

The Miners' Case. A. The men assert that the companies can afford to pay more than the 1924 rates. B. The men say they don't believe the statements and explanations of the companies."

C. The men claim that the companies have spent or used or applied part of the revenues from the coal business in unnecessary, uneconomical, wasteful or wrong expenditures for various purposes."

D. The men claim that some of the revenue derived by the companies from their coal business had been used for the benefit of other subsidiary companies of the British Empire Steel Corporation."

E. The men claim that the business of the coal companies has not been and is not managed efficiently and economically and that that has prevented the companies from being in as good a financial position to pay wages as they would have been had the coal business been managed efficiently and economically."

Assertion By Company. The companies assert they cannot afford to pay higher wages than at rates based on a ten per cent. reduction on the rates, under the contract which expired January 15th, 1925. (Continued on page 2, column 5.)

French Government Moves To Curb Bread Price Advances

PARIS, Feb. 6.—Alarmed at the continued increase in the price of bread which reaches one franc 92 centimes per kilogram today—a price unheard of since the siege of Paris in 1870—the government introduced a bill yesterday tending to prevent further advances.

Trade War Between U.S. and Canada Threatens Over Pulpwood Embargo

TURKS REFUSE TO GO BEFORE HAGUE COURT

Took Place Of Twin in Family

CAMDEN, N. Y., Feb. 6.—John Morgan, who says he entered his twin brother's home a single man in 1924 and assumed the cares and anxieties of being a husband to Mrs. Morgan and the two little Morgans, has been convicted of bigamy.

WENT FOR 3 MONTHS, STAYED 18 YEARS

NEW BRUNSWICK WRITER BACK IN NATIVE LAND.

Charles G. D. Roberts Says All Writing Based on Life in This Province.

TORONTO, Feb. 6.—Charles G. D. Roberts, well known Canadian poet and writer, is back again in his native country after an absence of 18 years. It is 22 years since he visited Toronto. When he left this continent 18 years ago, he expected to be away three months. He lived in France for a good many years and later in London. In war years he edited "Canada in Exile."

AEMILIUS JARVIS PLANS AN APPEAL

Evidence Respecting Fitness to Serve Sentence and Ability to Pay Fine.

TORONTO, Feb. 6.—Aemilius Jarvis, who is under sentence of six months' imprisonment and a fine of \$600,000, following conviction for conspiracy in connection with provincial bond deals, has been given leave by Mr. Justice Magre to move before the Appellate Division for permission to put in as evidence certain affidavits of physicians and others, respecting his fitness to serve the sentence, and ability to pay the fine. The case will be under further review before the Appellate Division on Feb. 10.

LEAVES FOR ROME

Cardinal Mundelein Starts From Chicago—Eucharistic Congress in His City in June.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Cardinal Mundelein has left for New York on his way to Rome, accompanied by Mgr. E. J. Shell, chancellor of the diocese, and Mgr. D. J. Dannel. Before he left, the sum of \$20,000 was presented to the Cardinal by Francis J. Lewis, millionaire, head of the Leeds Manufacturing Company. This was the first large donation to the permanent Catholic charity fund just established by Cardinal Mundelein. It is said, and will be added to \$150,000 initial deposit for the fund made from the unexpended \$750,000 donated last year by Chicago Catholics to the Catholic associated charities.

The Eucharistic Congress will be held in Chicago next June. It is believed it will bring 1,000,000 clergy-men and laity of the Catholic church to this city.

CONFLICT STILL ON

Efforts of France and Britain Have Calming Effect on Turkish Situation.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—The efforts of France and Great Britain have had a considerably calming effect upon the Greco-Turkish conflict according to official circles, although the dispute over the expulsion from Constantinople of the Greek Patriarch appears still far from settled.

REPLY IS MADE BY GOVERNMENT TO GREEK NOTE

Insist That Question Is Purely Internal Affair

SOLUTION URGED

Powers May Suggest Election Of Independent Patriarch

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 6.—The Turkish government today handed to the Greek charge d'affaires in Ankara, its reply to the Greek note, regarding the expulsion from Constantinople of the Most Rev. Constantine, Ecumenical Patriarch of the Greek Catholic Church. The reply rejects the suggestion that the dispute be referred to the International Court at The Hague, insisting that the question is purely internal, and declares that any intervention by outside powers would be intolerable. It is believed here that the powers will counsel moderation in order to permit a solution based on the election of a patriarch not within the category of those liable to deportation under the minority populations provisions of the Lausanne treaty.

M. A. POOLER SPEAKS OF HYDRO MATTERS

Power Co. Manager Makes Statement Following Hon. Dr. Smith's

M. A. Pooler, general manager of the New Brunswick Power Company, interviewed today regarding the published statement of Dr. E. A. Smith, chairman of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission, to the effect that provisions were being considered to have the New Brunswick Power Company supply power as a steam standby if the water at Musquash got too low, said that his company has had no negotiations with the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission or any member thereof. When asked as to what the attitude of his company would be toward the proposed provisions, he said that this was a matter for the directors to decide after application for assistance has been made by the commission. As to the ability of the company to carry the Musquash load in the event of a shutdown, Mr. Pooler said that his company's plant was quite capable of carrying the entire St. John load, but that it was doubtful if it could carry the entire Musquash load which included Moncton, Sussex and other places, all of which, he said, have prior claims over St. John on Musquash power.

ARNOLD WHITE DEAD

British Author of Works on Social Problems, Passes Away in London.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Arnold White, author, is dead.

Mr. White was born in 1848. Of late he had devoted himself to writing on social problems, among his publications were "The Modern Jew," "English Democracy," "The Kaiser Insane?" and "For Efficiency."

Canadian Senator In Paris Hospital

PARIS, Feb. 6.—Senator J. D. Reid, of Prescott, Ontario, underwent a mastoid operation here yesterday. His final recovery will be a matter of six weeks. His wife is also here. The Senator and Mrs. Reid had intended going to the Riviera but this visit has now been postponed.

Judge Asks If Jury Acquits

COSHOCTON, Ohio, Feb. 6.—Declaring the evidence failed to support the charge, Judge James Glenn today directed the jury trying Grandmother Clara McCurdy for the alleged murder of her aged husband, to return a verdict of not guilty. The prosecution which sought to send the 65 year old defendant to the electric chair, had rested its case when Glenn was asked by Warren Pomeroy of the defense to dismiss the case for lack of evidence.

START NEW SHAFT TO FREE COLLINS

UNKNOWN IF CAVE PRISONER ALIVE OR DEAD.

Radio Test Indicates That Victim of Kentucky Cave-in is Living.

CAVE CITY, Ky., Feb. 6.—All hopes of reaching him through the natural passage gone, sappers today were making a new entrance to Sand Cave in an attempt to reach Floyd Collins entombed since last Friday morning. Whether Collins was dead or alive, none has known definitely since a cave-in Wednesday night blocked the passage in which he has been lying plunged by one foot for one week. The general belief was that he has succumbed by being crushed to death, or by suffocation or by pneumonia, any of which would end his long fight to live.

OFFICERS' BANQUET HELD AT WOODSTOCK

Annual Reunion is Attended by Colonel Sparling From St. John.

WOODSTOCK, Feb. 6.—The garrison officers held their annual banquet last night at the Carlisle Hotel. Those represented were, 89th Battery, Canadian Field Artillery; 1st Brighton Field Engineers; 1st Battalion Canada Light Infantry; 7th Cycle Corps Guides, Col. Anderson and Col. Sparling were present. Many of the officers afterwards attended the ball in the G. W. V. A. rooms. Lieut.-Col. W. C. Good acted as toastmaster.

202 DIE FROM 'FLU

England Has Epidemic, With 25,000 Cases in London Area.

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DEAN CONDEMNS IT

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U. S. DELEGATES QUIT ANTI-DRUG CONFERENCE

Proposals Presented by American Envoys Rejected

COOLIDGE ORDER

American Demands Are Called "Idealistic" by Some of Nations Represented

GENEVA, Feb. 6.—The U. S. delegation withdrew from the League of Nations anti-drug conference today. This action was taken on the authority of President Coolidge after a so-called super-conference of 16 nations had discussed a report, rejecting practically all the proposals submitted at Geneva by Congressman Stephen Porter and his colleagues.

MANY IN BALKANS FACE STARVATION

Wheat Shortage Acute and People Unable to Pay Prices Demanded.

VIENNA, Feb. 6.—Semi-starvation exists in parts of Bulgaria and the Zankov government is purchasing emergency grain to alleviate the distress. Throughout the Balkans the wheat shortage is general, with pinched purses unequal to the duty of buying grain at the price peak recorded in Chicago. All central European states are warning against grain speculators, but the actual supply of wheat is unequal to the demands.

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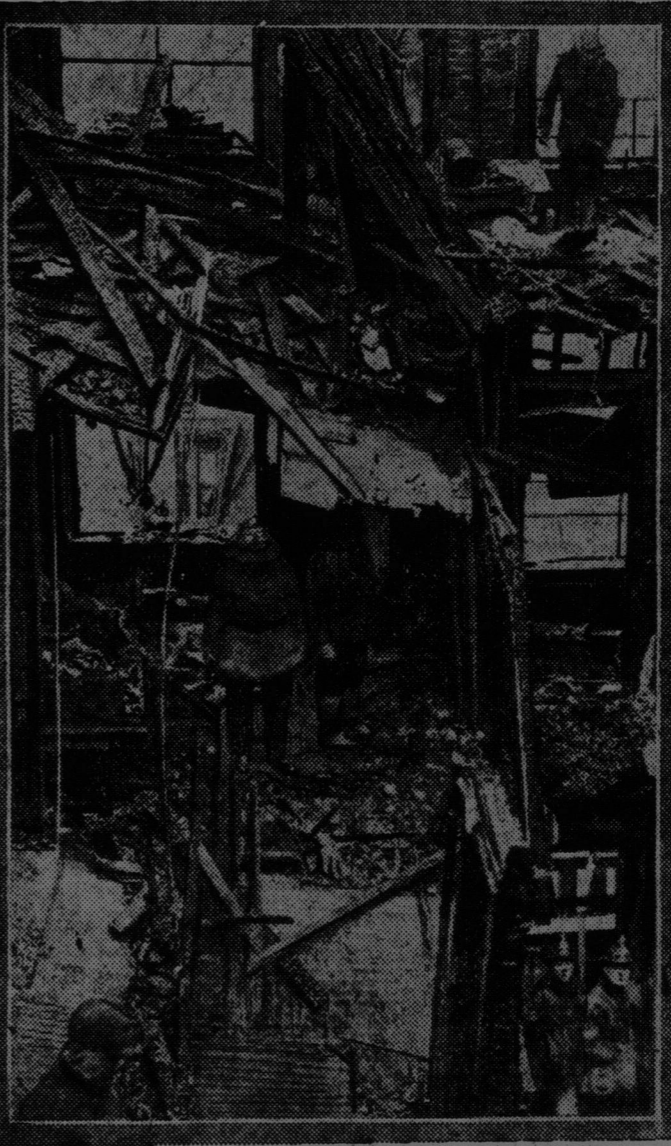
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Man Confesses To Murder To Gain Sympathy From His Wife

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Police who yesterday rushed to Harvey, a suburb, when word was received that a prisoner had confessed that he was one of the slayers, finally admitted he decided to confess killing the gangster in order to make his wife feel sorry for him.

Where Eight Met Death



Firemen hunting through the ruins of the fire which destroyed a double apartment building in the heart of Chicago's university district, taking eight lives. Thirty-four housekeeping suites in the four-story brick structure were reduced to ashes.

Little Band of Adventists Await World's Destruction

By FRANK GETTY. United Press Staff Correspondent. EAST PATCHOGUE, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Robert Reid and his disciples, who confidently expect the end of the world or at least the beginning of the end sometime tonight, had clear skies in which to observe the first portents, dressed in their Sunday dress, the little band of reformed Seventh Day Adventists moved solemnly about their last preparations.

BOY, MISSING 5 DAYS LOCATED BY POLICE

Is Found in Hotel Room and Man May Face Charge of Kidnapping.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Florida, Feb. 6.—Jack Nutting, 12-year-old son of Captain William Washburn Nutting, Arctic explorer, was found late last night by the police in an hotel room of Selwyn Smith. The boy had been missing five days, and was last seen Wednesday afternoon riding in a car with four men.

CARDINAL THANKED

Irish Primate Sends Appreciation of \$25,000 Gift For Relief of Sufferers.

DUBLIN, Feb. 6.—Archbishop O'Donnell, Primate of Ireland, has sent a message of thanks to Cardinal Hayes in New York for a gift of \$25,000 for the relief of distress in Ireland.

20 Communists Held on Charge of High Treason

ATHENS, Feb. 6.—Twenty Communists were arrested yesterday. They will be charged on trial for high treason on the charge of inciting the troops in Athens to civil war.

SENATOR MOSES WARNS CANADA OF REPRISALS

Assures Pulp and Paper People of Protection

SAYS U. S. IS READY

Counter Embargo On Railways, Coal and Sulphur Hinted By Speaker

By Canadian Press. NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—"Warning that the threat of a disastrous trade war" between the U. S. and Canada exists in the proposed Canadian export tax or embargo on pulpwood was delivered last night by Senator George H. Moses of New Hampshire, member of the Senate foreign relations committee, speaking at the dinner of the American Paper and Pulp Association.

"There cannot, at any stage of the proceedings that produced the present crisis, have been anything but a selfish purpose to dominate the American market," said Senator Moses. "In the face of that stands the dominant American policy to hold this market, the best in the world and extend it to the foreign markets on a basis of honest competition."

Puts Onus On Canada. "If it can be there are those of our neighbors forgetful of the century of peaceful and amicable relations that has prevailed, surely no one here will forget the pride with which the United States hailed the negotiations of the Rush-Bagot Treaty, and no one here, looking self-interest, can be more of unwarlike peace, can now fail to remember that the first gesture in what may prove to be a disastrous trade war was made not by Columbia but by the Lady of the Snows."

"We are speaking now as merchants, as business men, as friends of peace when we try to point out the curve on which she seems to be embarking, urged by a group that forms a noisy, aggressive and insolent minority, motivated by self-interest. It cannot be our neighbor will give heed to such a cry and will attempt to do its urging against a great-hearted friend who wishes none but good to Canada."

Says U. S. Prepared. "We cannot forget that within our generation a great golden stream of American capital has gone into the northland to help build up its communities and that many of our people have gone there."

"But if the co-operation we have extended seems now about to be repulsed, let it be known of all men it is not we who have taken the aggressive part and let it be known that if it comes to us we are not unready."

"Our tariff laws give us ample protection against discriminating and unfair competition. Do not forget that there happens to be in the United States several thousand miles of Canadian railroads on which we may lay regulation, if not embargo."

Hint of Reprisals. "Do not forget that we control many of the raw products that are necessities of life and industry in Canada, especially in the paper industry. An embargo on coal or on sulphur, each of which lies within a stroke of the pen of the President of the United States, would be sufficient protection. Those who speak for you at Washington will be neither dumb nor inept in the event that the menace of tonight shall become the reality of tomorrow."

The Weather Report

SYNOPSIS: Feb. 6.—The Atlantic disturbance has moved northward causing snow in Newfoundland and Eastern N. S. The weather had been comparatively mild on nearly all parts of the Dominion.

Fair and Milder. Maritime—Moderate northwest winds, partly cloudy. Saturday moderate winds, fair and milder. Northern New England—Fair tonight and Saturday; slightly colder in eastern Massachusetts tonight; somewhat warmer Saturday; diminishing northwest winds, becoming southerly.

Temperatures. TORONTO, Feb. 6. Highest during 8 a.m. yesterday, night. Victoria ... 40 44 40 Calgary ... 24 44 24 Edmonton ... 8 34 4 Winnipeg ... 30 36 30 Toronto ... 28 24 22 Montreal ... 28 36 24 St. John ... 22 ... 22 Halifax ... 22 30 20 New York ... 38 42 38