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PROBLEMS PRESENTED BY BYLAWS DEFEATED AT POLLS ARE TO BE DEALT WITH BY COUNCIL OF 1920

Mayor Little Refers To Them in His Inaugural Address and Points Out Some of Proposed Actions Must Be Taken—He Advocates Change of Election Date and Abolition of Ward System.

An extensive program of work for the year was outlined to the new council today by Mayor E. S. Little in his inaugural address. He pointed out that while a number of bylaws were defeated at the polls, the problems which they presented would still have to be solved by the council. He referred particularly to the Ridout street bridge, declaring that if it, or other bridges and highways were unsafe, they would have to be given attention.

The mayor expressed the opinion that many of the bylaws should have been brought up earlier and settled by the council. He advocated holding the elections early in the autumn and abolishing the ward system of electing aldermen.

The question of further assistance to Western University was also touched on, as well as the elimination of the level crossings.

In regard to the street railway, he said it would be the duty of the council to enforce the street railway bylaw and maintain adequate service.

He declared that pavements were of vital importance.

The full text of his address follows: "Gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure to meet you for the first time in your official capacity, and to congratulate you upon your election or re-election, as the case may be—for many of you have been honored before by the citizens.

Those of you who come to the city council for the first time will find that your colleagues will be only too willing to assist you in any way towards the more ready understanding of your duties.

You need not be reminded that the municipal act limits the powers of the council to a considerable extent, and the management of our own affairs is largely governed by the procedure by law. I trust that each of you, and particularly the new members, will give your careful consideration.

I have every confidence that we shall work together for what we believe to be the best interests of the city, and I trust that you may bear with the chair and remember my words.

It has been most unfortunate that so many bylaws are submitted to the council.

HOUSEWIVES OUT AFTER DEALERS WHO ARE CHARGING TOO MUCH FOR SUGAR AFTER BOARD'S LAST RULING

Allege They Have To Pay 17 and 18 Cents When Maximum Permitted Is 16 Cents—Crown Attorney Points Way to Relief.

In a press dispatch of Friday last it was stated that the board of commerce, Ottawa, had issued a new order, applicable throughout Canada, fixing the maximum price of sugar at retail as 16 cents a pound, saying that the wholesalers and grocers would have to arrange their prices, mutually so that the price of sugar might be kept at this maximum rate for three months.

The board found it necessary to raise the maximum price set last September on account of the increased price of the raw product.

The fact that although sugar should now be selling at no more than 16 cents a pound, some grocers in the city are asking 17 and 18 cents, was called to the attention of The Advertiser by a local housewife, who felt that the matter should be made public.

The order was made for the express reason that the board of commerce foresaw granulated sugar retailing at 16 cents a pound in Canada, and considered the price to give an unfair profit. The board, which has only a price-fixing jurisdiction, says the order, declares that it will hold that sales at a higher price than 16 cents a pound include unfair profits.

This same housewife, who objected to paying 17 cents when the maximum was fixed at 16 cents, also went further in her investigations and tried to find out if there was any individual in the city with power to limit the price of grocers breaking this order. Both

WILSON WILL ISSUE LEAGUE CALL TODAY

Washington, Jan. 12.—The formal call for the first meeting of the League of Nations council, which is to be held at Paris Friday, will be issued by President Wilson, probably today, it was announced at the state department.

TAKES OVER MINT MINES

Fredrickton, N. B., Jan. 12.—John Henderson, who has been manager of the Minto Coal Company, whose mines are now tied up by a strike of the miners, which has been in progress for more than a month, has completed a deal whereby he takes over the mining property, rights and plant of Smith & McArthur, Limited, adjoining the Minto Coal Company's mines.

What's Doing Tonight?

THEATRES.
Majestic—Dolores Cassinelli, in "The Virtuous Modest."
Grand—"Friendly Enemies."
Patricia—"The Last of the Duquesne," with William Farnum, and vaudeville.

OTHER EVENTS.
Baptist Forward Movement meeting, Tabot Street Church, Rev. W. E. Cameron, speaker.
I. O. O. F. Forest City, No. 38, Regular Communication of Union lodge, No. 380, A. F. and A. M., at Masonic Temple.
Local 235, Sheet Metal Workers, Sherwood Hall, Market Lane.

DRAFT EVADERS AID MEXICANS TO ESTABLISH SOVIET RULE

Garranza Charged With Countenancing Plan To Start Bolshevik Regime.

CHARGE SUPPORTED

Thirty Thousand Americans Escaped Service by Going to Mexico.

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 12.—Information regarding by government agents as evidence that Carranza government officials are countenancing a plan to establish a Bolshevik regime in Mexico, and that the radical program is supported largely by American army draft evaders, will be given to the Senate sub-committee investigating Mexican affairs at hearings here this week.

Assertions that Americans who fled to Mexico to escape the draft are implicated in the plan to bring Mexico under the rule of the radicals, are based on statements published in the official organ of the communist party in Mexico. American government records and reports of special agents tend to support the statements. According to the Mexican published book 30,000 Americans escaped service in the army by flight to Mexico. Most of them have returned to the United States.

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EX-KAISER MAY NOT BE PRESENT AT HIS TRIAL BY ENTENTE

Allied Governments Are Considering a Hearing in Absentia.

REASONS FOR SUCH PLAN

Prosecution of Former Emperor in Person Might Create Reaction in Germany.

Montreal, Jan. 12.—A London (England) dispatch to the Montreal Gazette says reports from Paris which indicate that the extradition of the former Emperor William will not be demanded of Holland, but that he will be tried in absentia, are understood to be correct. The dispatch adds: "Lloyd George's policy of friends say the British premier does not mean to be deflected from the fulfillment of his electoral pledges, although President Wilson of the United States has been growing loath to face the ordeal of putting into action extradition proceedings, while even Mr. Clemenceau's policy of late has been slackening in pursuit of his purpose of bringing the discredited Kaiser to trial, lest such an event might produce a reaction in Germany in his favor."

Lloyd George's political opponents, on the other hand, see in the proposal that the Kaiser's trial take place "in absentia," a hint of the "face which has its prologue in Lloyd George's hasty policy."

Wilhelm, it is suggested, may upon the plan by accepting a summons to appear before the allied commission.

ALLIES SOON TO ASK HOLLAND TO GIVE UP GERMAN EX-KAISER

Paris, Jan. 12.—Surrender of the former German emperor will be requested of Holland in the near future, Le Matin says today. On this point the allied powers are in complete agreement, the newspaper adds.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 29; lowest, 22.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 26; lowest, 17.

TOMORROW—COLDER.

Toronto, Jan. 12—3 a.m. Forecasts.

Today—Fair; high, 18; low, 12. Tuesday—Light snow at first, followed by the following weather, and colder again by night.

Temperatures.

The following were highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today: Weather.

LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON



REDS CLAIM CAPTURE OF 25,000 PRISONERS ALONG SOUTH RUSSIAN FRONT

Soviet Government At Moscow Gives Details of Results of Bolshevik Operations From December 21 to January 9.

London, Jan. 12.—The capture of 25,000 prisoners is claimed in an official statement issued today by the Soviet government at Moscow, giving details of the results of Bolshevik operations on the southern front between December 21 and January 9.

The Soviet statement says that 650 cannon, 50 bomb throwers, 11 tanks, 650 machine guns, and enormous quantities of military supplies were also taken.

GEN. MANNERHEIM TO COMMAND ANTI-RED FORCES IN W. RUSSIA

Stockholm, Jan. 12.—General Mannerheim, the former Finnish premier and commander of the Finnish white forces in the struggle of 1918, is shortly to have all the anti-Bolshevik forces on the west Russian frontier, from the White Sea to the Black Sea, under his command. It is asserted in a message to a local newspaper.

General Mannerheim, it is said, will return shortly to Helsinki to take the post of commander in command of all the fronts involved.

1080-GALLON LIQUOR SHIPMENT IS SEIZED AT ST. THOMAS DEPOT

Large Consignment Was Addressed To One Man.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Thomas, Jan. 12.—License Inspector Ross made a seizure of 1,080 gallons of liquor this morning, the consignment being addressed to a man whom it was known did not live at the address appearing on the labels.

The shipment consisted of fifty cases and eight barrels of whiskey. A charge will be laid this afternoon against a well-known retail dealer, declared Inspector Ross at noon today.

LORD KILMARNOCK ON WAY TO BERLIN AS BRITISH DIPLOMAT

Marks Re-establishment of Relations Between Two Countries.

London, Jan. 12.—Lord Kilmarnock left London for Berlin this morning to assume his duties as British diplomatic representative at the German capital.

His departure marks an important step in the re-establishment of diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Germany, which will be effected almost immediately. Consuls and consulates will be appointed shortly by the two governments. Germany will be first represented here by a charge d'affaires, but it is believed the rank will soon be raised to that of minister.

The Swiss legation at present occupies the old German embassy on Carlton House Terrace, but is expected to vacate the building within a week or two.

FRANCE SENDING DIPLOMAT.

Paris, Jan. 12.—The French ambassador at Berlin, who has been representing the interests of France at the German capital, notified the German government yesterday that France had taken action for the resumption of diplomatic relations with Germany.

France's charge d'affaires will probably leave Paris for Berlin on January 18. Germany has not yet given notice of the nomination of Baron Kurt von Lersner, head of the German mission in Paris, as the German representative at the French capital, nor the nomination of anyone else. Meanwhile Baron von Lersner remains at the provisional charge. It was said in German diplomatic circles today that Germany might refrain from the present from naming a charge.

PEACE TREATY COMPLETE, BUT BRITISH ARE NOT PLEASED

English Newspapers Fail To See End of Disturbances.

"A DRAB AGREEMENT"

Absence of United States Is Cause of Much Disappointment.

London, Jan. 12.—Ratification of the treaty of Versailles fails to elicit any expressions of joy from the London press. Editorials in this morning's newspapers express, at best, qualified satisfaction, while some journals strike a distinctly doleful note. "It is no time of triumph or soaring hopes," says the Telegraph, which, giving some reasons for its troubled view, adds: "The omission of America's signature to the ratifying document stands for the bitter disappointment of the hope that glowed with promises for humanity a year ago. The newspaper also cites the absence of Russia from Saturday's ceremony, and says: 'Till the sky in that direction grows clearer, there can be no world peace nor any hope of it.'"

Double of the reality of peace behind the formal act of ratification are expressed by the Daily News.

"There is not a nation which cannot get its wishes, manufactures, new advances out of the settlement to trouble the peace of the world," it says. "Occasional of offence are so numerous they obscure the very fact of peace."

After telling repeatedly that America "which did so much to make peace" has no part in the final act, the News continues: "Assuredly this drab agreement is not the peace to which men looked."

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ITALIAN VILLAGE BURIED BENEATH ALPS AVALANCHE

Many Reported To Have Been Killed in Parrachio.

RAILROADS ARE BLOCKED

Heavy Snowstorms Have Isolated Many of the Mountain Villages.

Berne, Sunday, Jan. 11.—Parrachio, a village in the Italian Alps, has been buried by an avalanche, and many persons are reported to have been killed. Five children were killed at midnight in their home, which was buried by an avalanche near Galtuer, in the Voralpe mountains. The remainder of the family, although injured, was rescued by neighbors.

Heavy snowstorms in the Alps have blocked railroads and highways, many villages being isolated.

PRINCE OF WALES TO LEAVE ENGLAND FOR AUSTRALIA SOON

Trip Will Be Made, It Is Believed, by Way of the Panama Canal.

London, Jan. 12.—The Prince of Wales will probably leave England for Australia about the middle of March on board the battleship Renown. It is believed he will go by the way of the Panama Canal.

NEWLY INVENTED ROCKET MAY BE FIRED TO MOON

Montreal, Jan. 12.—A Washington dispatch to the Montreal Gazette says Professor Robert H. Goddard of Clark College, according to announcement authorized last night by the Smithsonian Institution, has invented and tested a new type multiple charge high speed rocket, which he has named the "N-1."

The rocket is designed to be fired from a launching station on the earth, and it will not only be possible to send this apparatus to the higher layers of the air, but it will be possible to reach with recording instruments in nineteen miles out, according to the inventor's statement.

Professor Goddard believes that his new rocket can be sent through the band of atmosphere around the earth, which he says extends some 200 miles out, and that his new rocket will be of great value to the science of meteorology.

As a result of a party staged on Sunday, nine Londoners and four fair-haired maidens were scheduled for a hearing in Carling street police court today, on a charge of acting in a disorderly manner. The party was held in a house in the north end of the city, and it cost the thirteen who participated \$2 and \$2 costs each.

Everything was progressing favorably when along came P. C. McCullough, who has a reputation for busting up such parties. He insisted upon bringing the entire household to the police station, and the telephone there was nearly burned out by the efforts of those arrested to "get out."

The males who participated all appeared before court opened this morning and paid their fines. The female members of the party made sure that no one would find out where their homes are, for the only address they gave was U. S. A.

GERMANY INFORMED BY U. S. THAT CONDITIONS OF ARMISTICE MUST STILL GOVERN THEIR RELATIONS

American State Department Outlines Position in Note to the Berlin Government—Truce Terms Between Two Countries To Remain Effective Until U. S. Ratifies Treaty.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Formal notice has been served on Germany by the United States in connection with the deposit at Paris today of ratifications still governing the relations between the United States and Germany. Announcement of this action was made last night by the state department in a statement showing that official notification of the exchange had been received. Outlining the situation due to the fact that the United States had not ratified the treaty, it said: "It is the position of this Government that the armistice continues in full force and effect between the United States and Germany, and accordingly the provisions of the armistice agreement of November 11, 1918, as well as the provisions of the extensions of that agreement, remain binding on these two nations."

ALD. O. I. CUNNINGHAM AND ALD. C. G. MOORHEAD ARE CHAIRMEN OF TWO COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Ald. W. A. Wilson Objects to Vote Being Taken Openly, But Is Overruled—Ald. Drake and W. A. Wilson On Western Fair Board.

The city council of 1920 held its inaugural meeting at 11 o'clock today. The fireworks display commenced about three-quarters of an hour later, being furnished gratis by Ald. W. A. Wilson. Ald. C. G. Moorhead was elected to the chairmanship of the board of works. Ald. Wilson protested that the vote had been taken openly, and that it should have been by secret ballot. He declared he would have been elected had this been the case.

Later Ald. Moorhead was named as one of the council representatives on the Western Fair board. Ald. Wilson seconded motion to have him, and Ald. Watkinson replaced by Ald. Drake and himself. The amendment carried, and Ald. Moorhead asserted that he was being singled out, and Ald. Wilson replied that a good deal more before the year was over.

Major Little had called for order several times before the two aldermen would quiet down. The meeting was harmonious.

Chairmen Chosen.

The striking committee, consisting of the mayor, Ald. Moorhead, Watkinson, Cameron Wilson and Ald. Drake, recommended that the personnel of No. 1 committee consist of Ald. O. I. Cunningham, J. W. Ashton, John Drake, C. W. Wilson, F. E. Harley and F. R. Watkinson, and No. 2 consist of Ald. C. G. Moorhead, C. H. Drake, E. R. Seabrook, B. F. Brighton, H. Wheatcroft and W. A. Wilson.

Mr. Ashton moved an amendment, transferring himself to No. 2 committee in place of Ald. B. F. Brighton. His said he was too closely connected with the street railway, and a committee which might be negotiating with it. Ald. Seabrook of the striking committee pointed out that Ald. Ashton would have to deal with street railway matters as a member of the council in any event, and saw no reason for his being on the amendment. Mayor Little, as a member of the striking committee, supported its report, and the amendment was lost.

The committees on retiring elected chairmen by motion voted, which City Clerk Baker stated, which City Council was elected to the chairmanship of No. 1 committee, which handles the city's finances. Ald. C. G. Moorhead was elected chairman of No. 2 committee, the board of works.

Makes Allegation.

The election of No. 2 committee was watched with much interest. Ald. Wilson was strongly of the opinion that he should have been elected. He declared that several members of the committee had agreed to vote for him, but were afraid to because of the open ballot.

Following the appointment of these committees, the meeting adjourned.

DEFENCE WINS OUT; WITNESSES DECLARE ACCUSED IN DETROIT

Alibi Accepted in the Case of William McDowell.

The "bootlegging" battle was decided in the Circuit Court today. J. M. McDowell won when his forces outnumbered the forces of J. R. McDowell in Detroit on December 30. The score now stands: Convictions 10, acquittals 5.

The case of William McDowell was called this morning, and after four witnesses had sworn positively that the defendant had been in Detroit on December 30, Magistrate Graydon dismissed the charge.

Ray Cutts and Cyril Henry, the Ontario license board's prize agents, who have been the chief witnesses in all cases so far tried, swore they had purchased a bottle of whiskey from McDowell at his home on December 30.

Both Henry and Cutts swore that there could be absolutely no doubt about the man. To Mary McDowell, a returned soldier, testified that he had seen McDowell on a train bound for the Michigan metropolis at that time. "Spotter," swore he was selling them whiskey. These witnesses testified that McDowell was in Detroit, attending a "cock fight."

The case of Hugh McDowell is being proceeded with this afternoon. The trial of Albert Hewitt and his wife is scheduled for tomorrow morning.

GERMAN NAVAL OFFICERS CONSIDERING A PLAN TO SCUTTLE WAR VESSELS

Copenhagen, Jan. 12.—A plan to scuttle the German warships not yet turned over to the Allies is being considered by officers of the German navy, according to information received by the Danish government. A Berlin message quoted the Danish officer had so informed the leaders.

FRENCHMEN ACCUSED OF STEALING ART WORKS

Paris, Jan. 12.—When many works of art and valuable objects were found missing at Valenciennes after the city had been retaken by the French, it was believed the Germans were guilty of carrying them away. It appears, however, that the Germans were not solely responsible, but that Frenchmen had in some cases, taken opportunity for profit at their country's expense.

JOHN LEWIS, who is to become the editor of political literature of the National Liberal organization, with headquarters at Ottawa, Mr. Lewis has been an editorial writer for thirty years, principally on Toronto papers.