

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

SURPRISING REVELATIONS MADE BY MILITARY CONTROL MISSION.

PARIS, Dec. 11. The process of conciliation between Germany and the Allies, particularly with France, has received a set back it is feared in French circles by the report of the Inter-Allied Military Control Mission in Germany to the effect that the provisions of the Versailles Treaty concerning disarmament are not being carried out. The Allied Mission, according to its report, has found that the German general staff continues its deliberations as it did before the war, that the German factories are turning out new war materials, and that contrary to the treaty, there is in Germany an effective force of soldiers far surpassing the limit fixed by the Versailles pact.

SENATOR REED WOULD NOT TOLERATE BRITISH INTERFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. The statement of Winston Churchill, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, that the British Government would insist on proportionate payments to it in case any Allied debtor nation settles her debt with the United States, has increased the feeling here that the settlement of the debt with France is still a long distance away. The Churchill statement is being weighed here chiefly with refer-

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ence to its bearing on the settlement of the United States debt with France though it applies to other Allied debtors. While some officials express surprise over Mr. Churchill's utterances, and some doubt whether this is the view of the majority of the British Cabinet officers, others point out that there have been previous intimations that Great Britain would take the position outlined by Mr. Churchill. Furthermore some of the most prominent senators and members of the United States debt funding commission have been skeptical of reaching any agreement with France from the outset, and in their view the Churchill statement, while in theory adding there were not any prospects of an early settlement. Senator Reed of Missouri, prominent Democrat to-day read the Churchill statement in the Senate. He scored the idea of what he termed British interference in any settlement the United States proposed with France and in sharp terms declared it would not be tolerated. He referred to such attempted overlordship of the world, as being as intolerable as the course of the German Kaiser towards United States vessels during the war. Senator Smoot of the Debt Funding Commission denied there was any understanding with Great Britain that Great Britain was to get as good terms of settlement as any other nation.

PREMIER HERRIOT INDISPONED.

PARIS, Dec. 11. The condition of Premier Herriot



continued unchanged to-night, although the swelling in his leg had decreased. The official bulletin issued to-night by the Premier's physicians said the condition of the patient is stationary, but the Premier must maintain absolute immobility of the right leg.

AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S VALEDICTORY.

ROME, Dec. 11. "I go back to England with increased confidence in the future of the League of Nations, was the valedictory declaration of Austen Chamberlain, British Foreign Minister, delivered to-night at an impressive public session of the League's Council. While the Council probably will continue to sit two days more, Mr. Chamberlain will start back for London to-morrow.

MOROCCO PROBLEMS DISCUSSED.

ROME, Dec. 12. One of the most important problems discussed at the conference between Austen Chamberlain, British secretary for foreign affairs, Premier Mussolini, and Aristide Briand representing France was the relation to Morocco, this affects all the Mediterranean powers as Morocco is the only region along the north coast of Africa not yet completely controlled by European countries.

GOMPERTS CONDITION UNCHANGED.

MONTREY, Mexico, Dec. 12. At 11 o'clock last night the condition of Samuel Gomperts, President of the American Federation of Labor was not materially changed.

LONDON, Dec. 12. The Allied war debts continue to hold first place in the news and editorial columns of the London papers which unanimously support Chancellor of Exchequer Churchill's announcement that if the continental nations begin paying their debts to the United States they will be expected to make proportionate payments on their obligations to Great Britain.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 12. General Hernandez, a Major, and two captains belonging to the Rebel forces under Tiburcio Cerdeira, have been executed at Puebla City after court martial, according to special despatches.

STOCK MARKET NEWS

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. (Furnished by Johnston and Ward, Board of Trade Bldg., Water St.)
TO-DAY'S NEW YORK OPENING.
American Smelters .. 133
American Tel. & Telegraph .. 123
Anaconda .. 41 1/2
Cuban Cane Sugar Com. .. 41 1/2
Fleischmann .. 84 1/2
Great Northern .. 70 3/4
Kennecott .. 53 1/2
Marine Pfd. .. 45 1/2
Marland .. 36 1/2
Pan American "B" .. 55 1/2
Sinclair .. 15 1/2
Southern Pacific .. 32 1/2
Studebaker .. 42 1/2
Sub. Boat .. 10 1/2
Union Pacific .. 147 1/2
U. S. Steel .. 117
Montreal Opening.
Abtibi .. 61
Brazilian .. 53
Can. Steamships Pfd. .. 45 1/2
Montreal Power .. 148
Breweries .. 61
Cap. Steel .. 82 1/2
Shawinigan .. 32 1/2
Laurentide .. 89
Cons. Smelters .. 45 1/2

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Correspondence

BETWEEN HON. A. B. MORINE AND MR. R. G. WINSOR.

REMARK MADE BASED ON RUMOR.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 12, 1924.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Sir—The accompanying correspondence between R. G. Winsor, Esq., M.A., and myself, which I request you to publish, will, I trust, put an end to the rumor circulated about me, and will, perhaps, even satisfy the reverend gentlemen who expressed the idea that I was called upon to prove my innocence.

Yours truly,
ALFRED B. MORINE.

Wesleyville, Dec. 12, 1924.

Hon. A. B. Morine, K.C., St. John's.

Sir—Your letter re statement alleged to have been made during the recent election campaign to hand.

You must be out of touch with public opinion if you did not hear of the general rumor of your having received a large fee from the Government for drafting the Liquor Bill.

It was a general rumor for two months prior to the election, and especially from St. John's. You might direct your attention to that section of the country for information as to how it started and how you know best to what truth the rumor contained.

I made no definite statement other than we would see later by the public accountants of the rumor was well founded or not.

Yours truly,
(Sgd.) R. G. WINSOR.

Dec. 12, 1924.

R. G. Winsor, Esq., Wesleyville.

Sir—In acknowledging your letter of the 2nd inst., I beg your pardon for suggesting, in my letter to the press, that you would not reply. You have more courage, and less discretion, than I should have wished.

When I heard that you had made a statement, or repeated a rumor, on platforms in Bonaville Bay, that I had received fifty thousand dollars for the Liquor Control Act, I supposed, of course, that you meant that I had received a bribe of that amount for my part in drafting the Act, for I do not believe that anybody who heard or anybody who has heard of your remarks, had any doubt that you meant to charge me with receiving a bribe.

But now you say it was a general rumor that I had received a large fee for drafting the Liquor Bill, and that you "made no definite statement," but merely repeated the rumor, and said that the public accounts would later show whether it was true or not.

What right had you, Sir, to ignorantly and maliciously repeat a rumor to my discredit, when you could so easily have ascertained the fact? A mere inquiry of me would have revealed the truth. You had not even the poor excuse for slandering me that I was a candidate. You were, in truth, only too ready to defame an old opponent, who had at least always been decent to you, and with whom you had been on friendly personal terms, apparently, for years. You had no personal belief in the lie you circulated, but considered it good campaign material.

Well, Sir, if you had asked me, I should have told you two facts, (1) that I had never even so much as asked for payment and (2) that not one of the public accounts, offered or given, either as a bribe or as payment; that, in fact, I had not profited by so much as one cent for my arduous work on the Liquor Control Act.

Not being a salaried member of the Government, there is, of course, no reason why I should not be adequately paid for my work as a draftsman. I should certainly be much more justified than you were in accepting salary

as a Commissioner of Agriculture. Some of your late colleagues took pay for work never performed, and salaries for offices, the duties of which they did not discharge, but no protest ever came from you. I am doing daily more unpaid public work, I am confident, than any other man in the Colony, and so far I have not made up my mind to ask for anything for drafting the Liquor Control Act, but if I do, my colleagues will, I am sure, be just rather than generous to me in their noble rage for economy. I certainly shall not ask more than proper prices for work well done.

You have admitted circulating what you now know to be a falsehood concerning me. You cannot but admit that your lack of caution in repeating a rumor without seeking to ascertain the truth, was discreditable.

You will, therefore, as becometh one who desires, I hope, to be considered an honorable man, at once publicly apologize, and spread your apology as widely as possible, as your judgment waits to see just what kind of a man you really are, and shall even hope that the result will prove you better than I think you. I have acknowledged one mistaken estimate of you; show me I've made another, by acknowledging your wrongdoing.

Yours truly,
ALFRED B. MORINE.

Dec. 12, 1924.

AT THE MAJESTIC.

Kathlyn Williams, who will be seen in support of May McAvoy in "Everything for Sale," which opened last night at the Majestic Theatre, is a veritable encyclopaedia of information regarding the early history of the motion picture.

For this beautiful and talented actress switched from leading roles on the stage to the screen at a time when pictures were most decidedly in their infancy.

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CAPRE RACE, To-day.

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FRANCE'S DWINDLING BIRTH RATE.

PARIS, Dec. 12.

France's birth rate continues to dwindle according to an official statement covering the first three quarters of the present year while the number of marriages is practically the same as in the corresponding period of 1923. The births dropped from 584,000 to 573,000 and deaths increased from 595,000 to 621,000.

LADY ASTOR'S PORTRAIT TO BE REMOVED.

LONDON, Dec. 11.

The Mayor of Plymouth has asked that the portrait of Lady Astor, which is to be removed from the House of Commons in accordance with new parliamentary action, be sent to Plymouth, says the Westminster Gazette. Lady Astor favors sending it to Plymouth.

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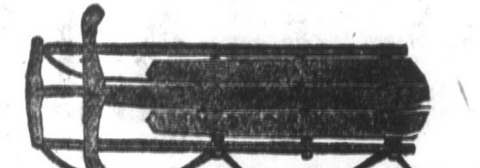
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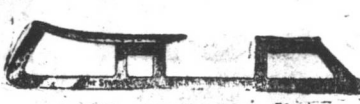
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