# ABRUPT ENDING OF EFFORTS TO LIMIT NAVAL STRENGTH OF POWERS IN SUBMARINES

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**Further Argument Useless**

Agreeing that further argument would be useless, the committee turned its attention to collateral subjects, including regulations for future use of submarines, proposals for limitation of the size and armament of individual auxiliary vessels, and details of the agreement already sealed in principle regarding capital ships.

For the United States delegation, Elihu Root proposed a joint declaration re-affirming the obligation of submarine commanders to warn merchant ships before attack; to refrain from sinking vessels whose crews and passengers could not first be placed in safety, and to conform, in general, to all the established practices of international law. In addition, Mr. Root also suggested a change in existing usage to prohibit attacks on merchant vessels altogether, and to make submarine commanders, who violate the regulation liable to trial as pirates.

General sympathy for the purposes of these proposals was expressed by the representative of all the powers, but definite action was deferred. Should an agreement be reached, it is to be submitted to all civilized nations with an invitation for world-wide adherence.

Under a further proposal given general, but not final approval by the plenipotentiaries, no auxiliary vessel of more than 10,000 tons could be constructed by any of the powers, and no airplane-carrier could have a tonnage more than 27,000 tons. A maximum airplane-carrier tonnage of 80,000 for the United States, 80,000 for Great Britain, 48,000 for Japan, 28,000 for France, and 28,000 for Italy also was suggested and will be further discussed tomorrow.

The net result of the day's deliberations, so far as actual progress is concerned, was an agreement that in future no gun of more than 16-inch calibre shall be mounted on a capital ship, and none of more than 8-inch calibre shall be included in the armament of any auxiliary vessel or airplane-carrier.

Mr. Root's proposals follow:—

"The signatory powers desiring to make more effective the rules adopted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of the neutrals and non-combatants at sea in time of war, declares that among those rules the following are to be deemed an established part of international law:

"1—A merchant vessel must be ordered to stop for a visit and search to determine its character before it can be captured.

"A merchant vessel must not be attacked unless it refuses to stop for visit and search after warning.

"A merchant vessel must not be destroyed unless the crew and passengers have been first placed in safety.

"2—Belligerent submarines are not, under any circumstances, exempt from the universal rules above stated; and, if a submarine cannot capture a merchant vessel in conformity with these measures, the existing law of nations requires it to desist from attack and from capture and to permit the merchant vessel to proceed unmolested.

"The signatory powers invite the adherence of all other civilized powers to the foregoing statement of established laws, to the end that there may be a clear public understanding throughout the world of the standards of conduct by which the public opinion of the world is to pass judgment upon future belligerents.

"(B)—The signatory powers recognize the practical impossibility of using submarines as commerce destroyers, without violating the requirements universally accepted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants, and to the end that the prohibition of such use shall be universally accepted as a part of the law of the nations, they declare their assent to such prohibition and invite all other nations to adhere thereto.

"(C)—The signatory powers, desiring to insure the enforcement of the humane rules declared by them with respect to the prohibition of the service of any of the powers adopting these rules who shall violate any of the rules thus adopted, whether or not such person is under orders of a governmental superior, shall be deemed to have violated the laws of war, and shall be liable to trial and punishment as if for an act of piracy, and may be brought to trial before the civil or military authorities of any such powers within the jurisdiction of which he may be found."

# KING CABINET NOT READY TO BE SWORN IN

## Premier-Elect Takes Parting Shot at Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen — Shows Great Indignation.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 28—After a day of conferences between Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Premier-elect, and his chief followers, announcement of the Liberal cabinet goes over. "The cabinet will not be sworn in today," Mr. King definitely informed the Canadian Press at an early hour this evening.

"Will it be sworn in tomorrow?"

"I cannot say yet," Mr. King replied.

Yesterday, following a cabinet meeting, writs were issued for a bye-election in Grenville County, Ontario. Mr. King referred to it as a high handed and unwarranted course."

"One thing is certain," declared Mr. King, "the Canadian public will not fail to recognize, nor Canadian political history to record, that Mr. Meighen's last act as Prime Minister, like his first one was one of usurpation."

Textually, Mr. King's statement on the Grenville bye-election writs, was as follows:—

"If it be true, as the press reports of this morning indicate, that Mr. Meighen, in order to provide himself with a seat in the House of Commons has appointed Mr. A. C. Casselman, the member-elect for Grenville, to a position in the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-Establishment, thereby creating a vacancy in the House of Commons, and has caused writs to be issued for a bye-election in that constituency on January 26, I can only say at the moment that such a violation of constitutional procedure can scarcely fail to bring the severest censure upon Mr. Meighen, a censure which the party he leads must also share if it countenances such an act.

"Just whether this high-handed and unwarranted course on Mr. Meighen's part can be defended on technical or legal grounds remains to be seen. That it is morally indefensible, I do not hesitate to say. One thing is certain, the Canadian public will not fail to recognize, nor Canadian political history to record, that Mr Meighen's last act as Prime Minister, like his first, was one of usurpation. When it is recalled that Mr. Meighen owes his personal defeat and the defeat of his administration in considerable measure to his previous usurpation of office, his attempt to regain a seat in the House of Commons by a like method of procedure amounts to open defiance of the expressed verdict of the Canadian people.

"I resent very strongly the statement which appears in the inspired despatch published in the press to the effect that there is reason to believe that what has been done was not without my knowledge. I had no intimation whatever that any act of the kind was contemplated, let alone perpetrated. If I had I should never have countenanced it for a moment."

Mr. King declined to make any statement further in regard to his cabinet negotiations. But the impression prevails that the cabinet slate has not been finally determined, and that there may still be some shifting around of portfolios, although there is not much likelihood of important changes in personnel.

# NEWSPRINT MANUFACTURERS AND PUBLISHERS BEFORE SENATE COM.

## Former Urge Heavy Duties be Imposed on Canadian Pulp and Paper—Publishers Demand Free Entry in Order to Choke Off Monopoly in United States.

Washington, Dec. 28—Newsprint occupied the attention today of Senate tariff makers, manufacturers asking for protection for their industry, and newspaper publishers urging that the paper be retained on the free list as proposed in the Fordney bill Canada's newsprint industry came in for a large share of attention.

Opening the discussion with a presentation of the arguments for the manufacturers, Col. E. M. Hasken, vice-president of the International Paper Company, declared that the newsprint alone of all paper was unprotected by a tariff and that "reason is obvious that the press can control legislation."

**Leave Duty to Committee**

The witness made no suggestion as to the rate of duty, leaving that, he said, to the judgement of the Committee. He added that the industry did not ask for the same protection as given other paper, because "past experience has convinced us of the futility of such a request."

Col. Haskell told the committee that the prohibition of the export of wood pulp from Canadian Crown lands, and the placing of paper on the free list halted "the steady growth of the American newsprint industry." Development of the Canadian industry followed, the witness said, production growing from 141,000 tons in 1910 to 885,000 tons in 1920. Imports from Canada were given at 30,000 tons in 1910, and 680,000 in 1920. Besides Canadian competition, the witness added large supplies were coming from Germany, Finland, Norway and Sweden at prices ranging from $10 to $20 a ton less than the cost of production in the United States. This has contributed, Colonel Haskell added, to "what, in many ways, is the most critical period in the history of the industry."

**Publishers' Case**

Opening the case for the publishers, William J. Pape, publisher of the Waterbury, Conn., Republican, said the question before Congress was whether the publishers of the country shall have again imposed upon them such a condition as found by a Senate investigation committee which reported on June 5, 1920, that "certain manufacturers have taken advantage of this shortage (of newsprint) to exploit the purchasers of such paper and hold them up for excessive, unreasonable and wholly unfair prices."

Discussing what he termed the "monopolistic aspects of newsprint manufacture," Mr Pape said, "strange as it may seem, publishers, who as a class largely dominate public opinion affecting business policies through direct appeal to their readers, have been potentially weak when fighting for a fair price for newsprint."

"In the past ten years," he added, "there have been at least three grave crisis caused by the exploitation of this commodity. Each time the price has soared to undreamed of heights."

What he termed "suppliers propaganda" about a shortage in 1919 and 1920 caused publishers to turn to Europe for newsprint in quantity, Mr. Pape said. In 1920, publishers, he continued, accepting "the suppliers' propaganda and in a panic became the victim of some manufacturers and their brokers who took all the traffic would bear."

# White Gift Service At St. Luke's Church

## Sunday School Room Filled to Capacity Last Evening — Nearly Every Class Contributed.

St. Luke's Sunday School room was filled to capacity at the White Gift Christmas Service last evening. The Superintendent, H. Usher Miller presided and prayers were offered at the opening and close of the service by the Rector, Rev. R. P. McKim.

Twenty-five of the classes sent Christmas dinner baskets to poor families on Christmas Eve, in many cases, these baskets contained toys and in some instances articles of clothing for the children. Two other classes gave money to the rector for general use in his poor fund and five classes gave him money with instructions to buy coal and wood for the poor. Three other classes gave money to the superintendent for the children in the Memorial Home. One class sent books and dolls and another class sent fruit to the Home.

The usual financial support was sent to Miss Shaw's school in Japan. This money will educate three Japanese children for one year.

Nearly every class contributed to the programme last evening and every act, word and gift went towards emphasizing the truth of the text, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

# Toronto Won At Philadelphia

Philadelphia, Dec. 28—The University of Toronto hockey team defeated the St. Nicholas sextette tonight, 5 goals to three. Carson scored three of Toronto's goals.

# Bavarian Alps Are Crawling Northwest

Munich, Dec. 28—Within the last centuries the Bavarian Alps have advanced seven metres toward the west and north, according to a report submitted by Professor W. Schmidt to the Bavarian Academy of Science. Professor Schmidt believes this shifting of a mountain range of the Alps is a sign that the forces which formed the Alps are still at work in the interior of the earth. In seeking for an explanation he also compares the great continents of the earth with icebergs that drift across the oceans propelled by some undersea current.

In the same manner, he says, perhaps the continents, or parts of them, "drift" across the fluid masses in the inner earth into which they may reach and to the currents of which perhaps they are subject.

**NURSES' DANCE.**

An informal dance given in honor of the graduating class was enjoyed at the Nurses' Home last evening.

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**PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD.**

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# Died

McKELLAR—Suddenly, at his late residence 19 Sea street, West St. John, Captain Neil McKellar, aged 74 years leaving to mourn his wife, two sons one brother and three sisters. Notice of funeral later.

Brooklyn and New York papers please copy.

Funeral on Thursday at 2.30 p. m.

# HAITI STILL NEEDS MARINES IS THE VERDICT

## Senate Investigators Ask for Appointment of An Envoy by Pres. Harding.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—Retention of the small American force of marines now in Haiti as necessary for the peace and development of that republic, the appointment of a high commissioner as the representative of the President and of the granting of a new loan are some of the recommendations made by the special Senate committee appointed to investigate conditions in Haiti.

After the committee had conferred with Secretary Hughes of the State Department and Secretary Denby of the Navy Department, Senator McCormick (Ill.), chairman of the special committee which has just returned from Haiti, gave out a statement tonight summarizing the views of the committee.

The report says that there can be no abrogation of the treaty of 1915 at this time, as the marines there are necessary as are the American officials appointed under the treaty.

To co-ordinate the labors of the representatives of the United States Government in Haiti and the American treaty officials the Senate committee feels that a high commissioner, as the envoy of the President, should be appointed, vested with the usual diplomatic powers. In their judgement the high commissioner among other things should supervise the work of the American officials and the commandant of the marine brigade.

The committee also suggests that one person should perform the duties of the financial adviser and the collector of customs.

**"Loan Needed to Fund Debt."**

Speaking of the loan, Senator McCormick, for the committee, says:

"There ought to be no further delay in the matter of the new loan in order that the debt held in Europe may be discharged on advantageous terms and the just claims of the Haytian citizens against their own Government may be promptly paid. The interests of Haiti more particularly the common people, require the determination of the conditions of the charter of the national bank and the early issuance of subsidiary coinage."

Also the report deals with the primitive poverty and ignorance of the people of the republic, pointing out that perhaps 98 per cent. of the people cannot read or write. Then is added:

"Peace and order have been established everywhere in Haiti. Sanitary work has cleaned up the once filthy coast towns. Road building has been begun and other public works are under way. The committee believes that when the necessary administrative co-ordination has been established and the necessary decisions taken upon financial matters improvement in Haiti will be noticeable almost immediately.

"Although the committee found the country prosperous at peace it heard all those who came before it with charges arising out of the period of lawlessness in the north and northeast two years ago, charges directed especially at alleged violent and illegal acts of some half dozen officers. The committee requires further time to analyze the testimony taken and to wait the result of inquiries instituted as a result of that testimony before making any decisions.

**"Officers Must Be Sympathetic."**

"The chairman of the committee has ventured to point out the very great importance of carefully choosing for service in Haiti in civil or military capacities, officers who are sympathetic with the Haitian people who will seek to establish cordial personal relations with them.

"Officers of the Marine Corps going to Haiti should understand that in order fully to discharge their duty to the United States and to deserve the commission of their superiors, they must consider the dual responsibility of their duty. They should be selected not only because of their capacity to command troops, but to command them in Haiti and among the Haitian people.

"Conversely the most intelligent and active elements of the Haitian people must appreciate that since American forces are to continue in Haiti for the maintenance of peace, and that since under the existing treaty American officials are to remain to help the Haitian Government to carry out necessary reform, the greatest measure of service to Haiti, with the smallest possible degree of friction, will require a spirit of accommodation and co-operation, not only on the part of the American officials, but also on the part of those in Haiti who are active in the life of the capital and of the other principal centers."


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# Wife Shoots And Kills Her Husband Following Quarrel

## After Shooting, Rushes to Neighbors and Asks That Police be Called.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 26—Mrs. Florence Simmons, 21, shot and killed her husband James Simmons, 32, a war veteran, here today after the couple had quarrelled, it was said, throughout last night.

Following the shooting, Mrs. Simmons ran to a neighbor's and asked that the police be called. The police, however, already were on their way to the Simmons residence having been called by a telephone operator who was trying to complete a long distance connection with Louisville. The telephone message was to tell Mrs. Simmons that her father Thomas Bewley, was dying. The operator reported hearing what seemed to her to be a fight in progress at the Simmons residence. The telephone receiver had been knocked from its hook by Simmons, it was said.

Unemployment in the United States is estimated to be between 3,500,000 and 4,000,000, a decrease of more than a million during the past month.

# CHINESE ARE IGNORING WORK OF CONFERENCE

## Disillusioned by Versailles Gathering, They Distrust Such Conclaves — Lament China's Weakness.

Shanghai, Dec. 27.—Why are the Chinese apathetic toward the Washington Conference? Every foreigner who watches political tendencies in China is asking himself this question and no one has found even a clue to the solution. Foreign newspapermen, knowing how interested the people of the various countries represented at the Conference would be in news from China, in a presentation of the Chinese point of view, are delving deep into Chinese affairs without discovering that the masses of the Chinese people are so much as thoughtful about the Conference, which may change the entire course of history on the mainland of Asia. I have called on political leaders, attended and talked to newspapermen. The discussion is casual, cursory and leads nowhere.

Quite different was the situation when the Conference was at Versailles. Your correspondent was moving about China, and everywhere was evinced a keen interest, a certainty that the Powers were going to save China, that the twenty-one demands would be withdrawn, that the so-called treaties of 1915 would be annulled and that Japan would be punished by her Allies for her misconduct toward China. Then rumors began to filter through that not all of the Chinese delegation was loyal to China. There was a story of an unofficial delegation making separate arrangements with the Japanese and others. There were assurances from American sources that the United States would support China to a finality and counter-propaganda from other nations that America would do nothing of the sort.

**Student Movement Begins.**

Then one day came the story that Dr Wellington Koo was engaged to marry the daughter of Tsao Ju-Lieg, the Minister of Finance and Communications and since famous as one of the "three traitors." Tsao was virtually a Japanese agent in China, and as was responsible for the orgy of loans, known as the Nishihara loans, which are so important a factor in China's present bankruptcy. The thought that one of China's plenipotentiaries could be making a private arrangement with Tsao Ju-Lieg was sufficient to create a storm throughout the country. Students in Peking called upon the "three traitors" and demanded that they stop selling the country. The students were arrested. A house was burned down. The student movement started, demanding that the treaty be rejected unless Shantung was returned. The anti-Japanese boycott followed. The treaty was not signed by China and the strong nationalistic movement, which is now still the most powerful undercurrent in Chinese affairs, began to cut its way through traditional other nations that America would do scurantist governmental institutions.

**No Faith in Peking Government.**

That was in 1919. This year there is no indication of the Washington Conference playing any part in Chinese life. Here in Shanghai an effort was made to stimulate an interest during Armistice Day. An important resolution was passed at a meeting of liberal-minded merchants. But that was all. The people showed little interest and although the political leaders have tried to make every little ripple on the surface appear like a tidal wave of public enthusiasm, their acceleration of public opinion leaves the masses as calm as they were during the war. Things are happening beyond the seas. It does not concern them. There is no justice in the foreigner, anyhow. China will not gain anything at Washington. Besides, with a Government as corrupt as Peking, and another as futile as Canton representing the people what hope is there for China? That is the point of view which is not expressed but rather felt.


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**ENJOYED TURKEY SUPPER**

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**NO ARRESTS**

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# NATIONAL HOCK MATCHES

Saint Patricks of Toronto 4 to 3—Ottawa Senat time Game, Score 2 to

St. Patrick's, 4; Hamilton, 3. Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 28—John I Roach is the greatest goal ke Canada ever produced. He sho that in the game here tonight betw St. Patricks and Hamilton in the H. L. Roach was super-human. Hamiltons shot at him from all ang and from short and long range, on only three occasions did they m age to score. The Saints stage rally in the last last period and a game that appeared to be hopele lost to them, by a score of 4 to 3

St. Patrick's were bucking to p vent a score in the early stages Hamilton got inside the defense s eral times, and on one occasion Stu jumped into the nets and saved wh Roach was spread on the ice.

On the night's play the victory w not deserved, as throughout the f period the play was in Toronto te story, but the good work of Roach k the score 1—0 in the first twe minutes. Again in the second per the Hamiltons had the better of play, staging several sensatio rushes which came to an abrupt e ing when they encountered Mr. Roa Hamilton scored twice in this pri and Toronto once, sending the loc into the last period with a two-go lead, which the victors overcame sev minutes after the play opened, a went to the front five minutes late Toronto had much the better of t play in the last period, except in t dying moments when they threw th whole team back on the defense wh the Tigers were forced to take t aggressive.

Stuart was hit in the face wi the puck in the first period, his low lip being badly cut. He was forc to retire and did not come back until the middle of the last period.

The game was rough at times, T ronto being the chief offenders, ha ing five penalties handed to them Hamilton's one. The crowd was e ceptionally large.

**The Line-Up.**

The line-up and summary follow:

| Hamilton. | St. Patrick's. |
|---|---|
| Goal. | |
| Lockhart | Roa |
| Defense. | |
| Mummery | Camero |
| Reise | Stua |
| Centre. | |
| Malone | Denenn |
| Right Wing. | |
| Prodgers | D |

# FARMERS GIVEN WARNING TO STAND GROUND

## Told That Opposition Is De termined to Defeat Thei Bloc Activity in Congress

Washington, Dec. 28.—Agricultura and Labor interests need to be aler during 1922 if they are to hold wha they have gained and advance thei cause, is the warning given by Edwin F. Ladd, Non-partisan Republican, Senator from North Dakota.

The approaching legislative year more than any other, will mark the test of supremacy between the agricultural bloc on the one hand, and interests representing Capital on the other, Senator Ladd declares.

In an open letter to the farmers of the northwest, Mr. Ladd claims that the "Old Guard" in Congress, having failed to prevent the growth of influence on the part of agricultural and Labor interests, are getting behind a legislative programme for 1922 that would be a serious setback if allowed to be carried out.

"Here is what rumors assert is included in this programme," said Mr. Ladd:

"First, they say the statistical and marketing work is to be transferred from the Agricultural Department to another department, where it can better serve the industrial interests.

"Second, the collection of data and information on the part of labor, cost of living expenses, wages, etc., can be done better in some other department than that of labor, and can be made more useful to manufacturers and commercial interests if the transfer is made.

"Third, the work of vocational education for public schools, it is claimed, can be transferred with advantages to some other department instead of remaining a separate bureau, and what has not already been made inefficient by methods of management already adopted, can be better controlled possibly by stifling initiative and the workers made more effective automatons.

"Fourth, it is rumored that the Bureau of Education might be attached as the tail of a public health kite, and the educational system more fully Prussianized by military influences."

It is evident that conservative forces in Congress, aided by financial and commercial interests, are determined to make a drive to break up the agricultural bloc during the coming year. Administration leaders see in it a dangerous weapon that is beginning to take power over legislation out of their hands. They are be