

TAFT CALLED UPON TO ACT IN GENOA TANGLE

Will be Requested to Name Chairman for Arbitral Commission.

RUSSIAN DEBTS IN CONTROVERSY

Commission to be Appointed Will Have Authority to Decide on Mooted Questions.

Genoa, May 1.—Chief Justice Taft, of the United States Supreme Court, will be asked to name the chairman of the mixed Arbitral Commission to be established for settling the debts of the Russian Government to foreign bondholders, according to plan arranged today. Two other members of this commission will represent all the bondholders and the Russian Government, respectively. The commission will have power to remit interest and decide all questions affecting foreign bondholders and Russia's ability to meet her obligations; a time-limit will be fixed in which bondholders may make their own arrangements with the Russian Government, if they desire. Belgium stood firmly for the principle of restitution, and went on record as protesting, declaring that the vested interest of Belgium in property in Russia amounts to 100,000,000 pounds, and that Belgium will never again invest in Russia unless restitution is made.

In the discussion relating to the treatment of foreigners, the admittance of foreigners to travel and engage in enterprises in Russia, it was decided to abandon these sections of the London experts' report, which referred to certain measures whereby the immediate restoration of Russia would be facilitated. Among the provisions in this report thus given up was that requiring the control of a foreign country, and that the decision in a criminal case affecting the citizen of the country before such decision could be carried out. The delegates agreed, today, that such a measure would be a distinct violation of Russia's sovereignty. Similarly, it was agreed that the suggestion to insist upon exceptional treatment and protection for foreign workers in Russia, and Russian workers employed by foreign companies would be unjust in its operation and harmful to the liberty of the trades union movement, not only in Russia, but throughout the world. Concerning the general question of treatment of foreigners, a paragraph was inserted setting forth that inasmuch as proper restitution of Russia depends upon the re-establishment of freedom of movement and the restoration of an administration of justice, the Russian Government promises to undertake the establishment of these conditions immediately.

IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY SOFTENING

Regulars and Irregulars in Conference Looking to Settlement of Troubles.

Dublin, May 1.—Representatives of the regular and irregular branches of the Irish Republican army, at a conference today, signed a statement suggesting proposals to avert a catastrophe which gives the following as a basis for free the situation: "Acceptance of the fact, admitted on all sides, that a majority of the people of Ireland are willing to accept the peace treaty. "Agree to an election with a view to forming a Government which will have the confidence of the whole country. "Army unification on the above basis." The statement adds: "If the present drift is allowed to continue a conflict between comrades is inevitable. This would be the greatest calamity in Irish history and would leave Ireland broken for generations."

GOVERNMENT REJECTED CALDWELL MOTION

Asked for Branch Line to Link Up Valley Road With Eastern Maine Ry.

Ottawa, May 1.—Speaking on a resolution of his asking for construction of a branch line connecting the St. John and Quebec Railway with the Eastern Maine Railway, "as soon as financial conditions permit," F. W. Caldwell (Progressive, Ontario, N. B.) in the House of Commons today said his main purpose was to help to reduce the deficits on Government lines in the Maritime Provinces. This line would pay for itself in ten years. Today railway construction was pretty nearly back to normal and with unemployment still severe, Mr. Caldwell thought the Government could consider the motion favorably.

KU KLUX KLAN DENY THE ALLEGATION

Ignorant, They Say, of Any Plan to Kidnap Matthew Bullock.

Atlanta, Ga., May 1.—Officials at headquarters of the Ku Klux Klan here today declared they had no knowledge of any plans formulated by members of that organization to kidnap Matthew Bullock, the negro wanted at Norfolk, N. C., on murder charges, from Hamilton, Ont., and to bring him back to North Carolina. Reports from Hamilton stated that Bullock, fearing such action, had fled to another country.

QUEBEC LIBERALS ARE IN OPEN REBELION AGAINST ESTIMATES OF GOV'T FOR MILITARY DRILL

Caucus Called for Tomorrow in Effort to Adjust Troubles Which Promise Disaster.

LIBERALS REGARD SITUATION SERIOUS

There is Talk in Ottawa of Possible Appeal to Country This Summer.

Ottawa, May 1.—Interest in the proceedings of the House today was completely overshadowed by speculation as to what might happen at the coming Liberal caucus on Wednesday. This caucus is being held as a consequence of the Quebec Liberal rebellion against the Government's estimate for annual military drill. When this vote came up last Tuesday night, Captain Power, member for Quebec West, moved to cut it from \$1,400,000 to \$200,000. A number of French-Canadians, and all of the Progressives, rallied to his support, and the Government found itself in the position of pending on the Conservatives, vote to save it from defeat.

Even then it was far from safe, and although Mr. Graham made a fighting speech, he ended up by running away from the question with a request that the committee rise. This, no matter what standpoint judged, was a bad piece of strategy. It gave the country an impression of Government weakness, and, what is more serious, it gave the insurgents time to go down to their constituencies and derive moral support. As a consequence, the Government finds itself faced with a quite formidable schism. Thus far it has failed to muster sufficient courage to again bring on the estimate, and tomorrow's caucus is in the nature of a desperate endeavor to whip the rebels into line.

Whether this will be possible, it is very difficult to say. In the old days, under patronage, the achievement would not be at all difficult, but today is different. The Liberal party is split into two camps, one on each side of the divide. The Liberal party, who had been to their constituencies over the weekend, had returned to Ottawa more determined than ever to fight and, if possible, block the estimate. It is rumored that the Government is preparing to make a concession in the way of further militia reductions, and that it will lay its plan before Wednesday's caucus.

HALIFAX HAS LEAGUE OF NATIONS SOCIETY

Stirling Speeches Made at Meeting Preparatory to Society's Organization.

Halifax, N. S., May 1.—At a meeting held here today under the chairmanship of Lieutenant-Governor McCallum Grant, a committee consisting of Chief Justice Horrie, Prof. H. F. Munroe, of Dalhousie University, and Mrs. Dennis was appointed to arrange for the organization of a branch of the League of Nations Society here. A feature of the meeting was a scathing attack by Mr. Justice Benjamin Russell upon the Dalhousie Review for publishing an article condemning the League of Nations. The judge described the article as "a farago on nonsense."

DE VALERA EXPLAINS HIS ATTITUDE

Calls Collins' Proposal for Plebiscite on Treaty One for "Stone Age Machinery"

Dublin, May 1.—Eamon De Valera tonight issued a detailed explanation of his attitude at the Peace Conference that week in which he calls the proposal made by Michael Collins for a plebiscite on the question of acceptance or rejection of the treaty one for "stone age machinery."

LAST MEETING OF THE OLD COUNCIL

The last meeting of the old council took place yesterday morning at 10.20 o'clock, Mayor Schofield presiding. The report of the Masquash wood-cutting operation was presented as follows:

The total of wood cut was 530 cords, forty-six of which was cut in mistake on private property and still in dispute. The men received \$2 a cord for cutting, less \$1 a day for board. Total expenses were \$2,735.37; estimated receipts, \$2,515.91, leaving apparent shortage of \$219.46.

First Formal Declaration Of U. S. Regarding Russia

Washington, May 1.—Political recognition of a new Government in Russia must await the establishment of "sound" business and social conditions there, Secretary Hughes declared today, in response to a petition presented by a delegation of women, asking United States aid toward Russian re-establishment. The declaration by Secretary Hughes was the first formal declaration on the policy of the United States regarding Russia, since recognition of the Soviet Republic became a matter of prime importance at the Genoa Conference. In view of the pending negotiations at that meeting, Mr. Hughes' statement was given special significance in diplomatic circles.

CANALIZATION OF ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY GIVEN HEARING BY DOMINION LAW MAKERS

Claim Set Forth By Its Advocates That Every Province in Canada Would Benefit by More Free Interchange of Freight.

Ottawa, May 1.—(Canadian Press)—That the markets of Ontario, and Quebec would be widely opened to Nova Scotia steel and coal, as well as to the farm and other products of the three Maritime Provinces through the canalization of the St. Lawrence waterways and that the more direct interchange of freight would benefit every province in Canada, with the possible exception of British Columbia was emphasized in the Commons tonight by H. C. Hocken, Conservative member for Toronto West. The deep waterway proposal for the St. Lawrence River was again before the House on the further consideration of the motion advanced some days ago by T. L. Church, Conservative of Toronto North. Mr. Hocken supporting the proposal pictured the possibilities of the cheaper water transportation rates and argued that freighters could, with the deep canals, deliver their cargoes to the head of the St. Lawrence, and from there, by both to the East and to the West, would be the freighting of wheat through the canal to the Atlantic seaboard, instead of by rail. This would mean increased business for Canadian Maritime ports. Canada had more railways per thousand of the population than was entirely necessary for the transportation of the country. It was made possible to cut the transportation costs, especially with the West, a tremendous saving would be effected. The present car shortage of about two years ago would recur with returning prosperity, but the St. Lawrence Canal would overcome such a situation. Mr. Hocken was vigorously supported by W. M. German, Liberal member for Welland, who again urged for the formation of an International Commission to finance the work. The electric power from the development would be more than pay the interest charges and the supply power for the electrification of the railways throughout a considerable area. The motion was again adjourned.

POLICE TROUBLES AT FREDERICTON

Chief Finlay Tendered Resignation Which Was Accepted—Other Changes.

Special To The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., May 1.—William Finlay, who had been chief of the Fredericton police force since 1916 this afternoon tendered his resignation to the Fredericton Police Commission, that body accepted the resignation, to go into effect at once. Police Sergeant Nathaniel Jones is in charge of the force tonight as acting chief. W. A. McLellan, chairman of the Police Commission, stated tonight that the resignation of Finlay as chief was along the line of the reorganization of the police force upon which the commission had decided. Chairman McLellan stated also that J. B. Hawthorne, Chief Inspector under the Interlocking Liquor Act, was to be notified that the agreement under which the entire Fredericton police force could be used in enforcement of that act within an eight-mile radius, was cancelled. This action on the part of the Police Commission was forecasted soon after the formation of the body as it now is constituted. Ex-Chief Finlay is a St. John man and was on the police force of that city for many years. Later he was with the C. P. R. police and still later was chief at Newcastles. Some six years ago he came to Fredericton to be chief, resigning his position at Newcastle. His resignation, accepted today, has with it one month's salary. Ex-Chief Finlay ever since, has been completely with its endorsement for the greater part of the time as sub-inspector for Fredericton and surrounding country. He still holds the appointment.

REDS FIGURED IN ALL MAY DAY CELEBRATIONS

The Sight of Red Flags Was Signal for Police to Get Busy.

Hamilton, Ont., May 1.—Shortly after 2.30, this afternoon, a number of unemployed, headed by women carrying red flags, paraded at the corner of King and James streets. The sight of the flags was a signal for the police in the centre of the city, and they went into the crowd. Men attempted to fight them but the drawn clubs of the police were used with such effect that a number of men were clubbed and four men and a woman were arrested. The red flags had on them Bolshevik devices. After the crowd had been dispersed from the streets the men went to the market where the police were denounced.

PARADERS CLUBBED AND SEVERAL ARRESTS MADE BY CITY POLICE OFFICERS.

At Montreal. Montreal, May 1.—Apart from the seizure of a red flag by the police, at the corner of St. Denis and Ontario streets this afternoon, the May Day demonstration here followed conventional socialist lines and were not attended by any unusual incident. About 2,000 took part in the procession which was headed by a band. Banners were carried bearing the usual inscriptions, many of them in Russian. The parade marched to the Champ De Mars, in front of the City Hall, where speeches were made in French, English and Italian. With the exception of a small body of men, who were plainly of the unemployed class, the majority of the marchers were well-dressed and looked prosperous.

PEKIN EXCLUDED FROM THE AREA OF BATTLE

Washington, May 1.—Agreement by both General Wu Pei-Fu and General Chang Tso-Lin, rival Chinese leaders, to exclude Peking and Tien Tsin from the field of military operations, was announced in an official despatch received by the Chinese Legation today from the Peking Government.

BRITISH BUDGET CONSIDERED BY HOUSE COMMONS

External Debts Consist Almost Entirely of Obligations to United States.

London, May 1.—Sir Robert Stevenson Horne, Chancellor of the Exchequer, introduced in the House of Commons, today, the budget for the fiscal year 1922-23, embodying estimates for 910,775,000 pounds revenue and 910,000,000 expenditures. The expenditures include 25,000,000 for contingencies. This much discussed budget contained only one surprise. Reductions in taxation, for which there has been strong agitation, came as expected. One shilling in the pound is taken off the income-tax, four pence off the duty on tea, which reduces the duty from one shilling to eight pence on the pound, and a corresponding reduction of one-third of the duties on coffee, cocoa and chicory. After showing that the external debt, now standing at nearly 11,000,000,000 pounds, had been reduced by 274,000,000 pounds since March, 1919, he gave it as his opinion that the Government should not be asked to redeem any debt this year.

RESTIGOUCHE COUNTY IS HEARD FROM

Putting Forth William Currie as Candidate for Honors in Red Chamber.

Campbellton, N. B., May 1.—Restigouche business men are determined that this County shall at last assert her rights and claim the seat in the Red Chamber, made vacant by the death of Senator Thompson Saturday afternoon a number of the leading business men met and started the project, and this evening the Liberal Executive met and took the first steps towards this end. While every other county in this Province has, at some time, had a representative in the Senate Restigouche never enjoyed that honor. At the last redistribution of seats, despite the fact that Restigouche showed a very gratifying increase in population, it was combined with Madawaska and thus lost its own representation in the Commons. Surely, considering all these circumstances, it is only just that we should expect the appointment. Hon. Wm. Currie is the name mentioned for this honor. He is a native of this county, has grown up with the county and has served Restigouche well and faithfully, being a County Councillor, a member of the Town Council and a member of the local legislature which body he had the honor to be chosen speaker. Hon. Wm. Currie is receiving the unanimous support of the Liberals of Restigouche, as well as a large number of citizens generally.

APPALLING ACCIDENT IN GAGETOWN MILL

Employee of Reid Bros. Mill Caught in Shafting and Whirled to Death.

Gagetown, N. B., May 1.—An appalling accident occurred here on Saturday morning, when Leslie C. Boyd, an employee of Reid Bros. mill, became entangled in the shafting under the mill, and sustained severe injuries as a result. The unfortunate man, who was only twenty-two years old, was a valued employee of Reid Bros., being engaged as assistant millwright in charge of the mill. On Saturday morning, about eleven o'clock, he went under the mill for the purpose of putting a new covering on the shaft. He had taken off the old covering, and was leaning over the machinery when his overalls became entangled between the shaft and the set screw, with the result that he was drawn into the machinery, and sustained terrible injuries before his plight was noticed. His clothing was torn from his body, both legs broken, and he was otherwise badly mangled. The men on the mill floor above noticed a thumping, and went down to investigate. When they discovered the terrible plight in which young Boyd was situated they stopped the machinery as quickly as possible, and extricated him from his position, hurrying him to the ambulance nearby where every assistance possible was rendered. He was afterwards taken to his home, where he remained, mostly in a coma, until he died at five o'clock. He was able to tell his grief-stricken father the particulars of the accident.

CARIBOU RETURNING TO THE PROVINCE

Henry Braithwaite, Veteran Guide, Reports Herds on Southwest Miramichi.

Fredericton, May 1.—Henry Braithwaite, the veteran guide, who returned on Saturday from the Miramichi woods, says that there is every reason for believing that Caribou are making their way back to the province. He says that one of his men, while out trapping on the north branch of the little southwest Miramichi late in March, came on to the tracks of quite a large herd of the animals. It is several years since any sign of caribou were seen in that section of the country, but they were very plentiful there in the old days.

HOLD WOMAN FOR SERIES OF MURDERS

Alleged to Have Made Way With Husbands to Collect Insurance.

Cleveland, May 1.—A woman who County Prosecutor Edward G. Stanton said was suspected of committing a series of murders in order to collect \$11,000 in insurance, was being held in jail tonight. The woman is known to have been married five times, he said, and was declared to have acquired a sixth husband recently. She divorced her first two husbands, while three others died under mysterious circumstances Stanton added. Two children by the woman's first husband died of poison some years ago, Stanton said. The explanation at that time was that they had accidentally eaten poison tablets. She married her first four husbands in Pittsburgh where the divorces were granted, Stanton said. The third and fourth husbands as well as the two children died there. The third husband was insured for \$1,000 and the fourth for \$5,000. Several months after the death of the latter the woman married an ex-soldier in Pittsburgh and came to Cleveland. He is said to have been insured for \$5,000, three months before his sudden death. No physician was called, Stanton said, the woman claiming the man had been suffering as a result of being gassed overseas. Three months' sentence for horse-stealing when he attempted to escape from Burwash prison. The young man had been serving a

IN MILITANT SPEECH TROTSKY STIRS ARMY TO HIGH ENTHUSIASM

One Hundred Thousand Red Warriors Marched in Review Before War Minister.

RED OATH TAKEN BY ALL SOLDIERS

Pledged to Defend Russia With Their Full Strength to the Death.

Moscow, May 1.—Leon Trotsky, Soviet war minister, addressing the Moscow garrison at the May Day review in Red Square, at which the Red oath was taken by all the soldiers, declared that the Allies at Genoa desired conditions to which Russia would never yield; therefore, he asked the troops to be prepared. "We offered to disarm," he said, "but the Allies did not want that. We offered to bargain, we offered to pay the pre-war debts, but they agreed that they would recognize us if we abolished Soviet Russia and restored capitalism. We answered no and will always answer no." One hundred thousand troops marched in review, followed by hundreds of thousands of workmen and workwomen. The oath taken by the garrison at the end of the review in the ranks, pledged them to defend Soviet Russia with their full strength to the death.

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PRISON GUARDS SHOOT TO KILL

Horse Thief Killed When He Attempted to Escape Woodstock, Ontario, Jail.

Woodstock, Ont., May 1.—Word reached Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Tobell today that their son, William, had been shot dead by a guard while attempting to escape from Burwash prison on Saturday. The young man had been serving a