

Besco Decides to Reduce Wages Throughout the Service

French Chamber Give Herriot's Message a Cool Reception—Status of High Commissioners Fixed—American Airmen Start on Atlantic Flight.

BESCO CUTS SALARIES.
SYDNEY, July 29. All salaries of officials and employees of the British Empire Steel Corporation, from President R. M. Wolvin, and members of the directorate, down to the lowest paid clerk, will receive a wage cut of ten to twenty-five per cent, on August 1st, according to announcement made at Besco headquarters here to-day. President Wolvin and the directors of Besco will get a 25 per cent salary reduction, while the new schedule provides for graduated reduction for all other officials, low paid employees now on monthly pay getting a ten per cent slash. The salary cut is part of the Besco policy of retrenchment during the depression period, which has brought about a curtailment of the work at the steel plants in Sydney and Trenton and at the coal mines on the mainland, Cape Breton. The salary cut will effect every official of Besco in Nova Scotia, including those employed at Halifax shipyards and Trenton and New Glasgow plants, as well as Cape Breton officials.

BESCO MANAGER RESIGNS.
SYDNEY, July 29. Archibald McCall, General Manager of Besco operations on the mainland, has resigned from the corporation. Official announcement of Mr. McCall's resignation was made at the Besco head office here on Tuesday. Mr. McCall is one of the best known steel and coal officials in Nova Scotia, and for many years was prominent in the affairs of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company. He has always been located at New Glasgow.

STATS OF HIGH COMMISSIONERS.
LONDON, July 29. The question of the Status of the High Commissioners of the Dominions and India, in England, has at last been settled, after a long period of doubt. J. H. Thomas, Colonial Secretary, made an announcement of the matter in the House to-day. Henceforth, on ceremonial occasions, the High Commissioners will take precedence immediately after the members of the Cabinets of the British, Dominion and Indian Governments. Mr. Thomas stated, "When no members of the Imperial Cabinet or Cabinets of the Dominions or India are present the High Commissioners will take precedence immediately after that accorded to the Secretaries of State by the table of precedence."

DOMINION REPRESENTATION TO BE CONSIDERED.
LONDON, July 29. The British Government has determined to alter the entire system of Dominion representation, J. H. Thomas, Secretary for the Colonies, declared to-day in the House of Commons, during the discussion on the vote for the Colonial Office. He said that the system of Dominion representation at the present Inter-Allied Conference was not satisfactory, and that the government had decided to invite the Dominions to send representatives to

such as had tried to stab the nation in the back, surprising the Government while it was intensely bending its efforts to reconstruction. The President has also to consider the question of dealing with foreign governments, with reference to damage suffered by the property of their nations, as well as the killing of foreigners owing to the revolt. Although estimates of the total damage are not yet available from official quarters, it is believed it will run into many millions of dollars, and that the number of soldiers and civilians killed or wounded will reach many hundreds.

WILL SEEK RECIPROCAL TRADE.
SYDNEY, Australia, July 29. Negotiations will shortly proceed, with a view to Australia obtaining reciprocal trade with Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, and Austro-Chamberlain, Federal Minister for Trade and Customs announced in a speech to-day.

FROM SYDNEY TO ROME IN 15-FT. CANOE.
SYDNEY, N.S., July 29. From Sydney to Rome in a 15-foot canoe, is the avowed ambition of G. H. G. Smyth, of Toronto, who pushed off from Galbraith's boat house here at 10 o'clock this morning, on the first leg of his venturesome journey. He plans to proceed down the coast via Halifax, St. John, and American ports to New York, where he will ship himself and canoe on board a steamer for England. Then he will attempt to paddle across the English Channel, and if successful will glide up the Seine for a visit to his mother who resides in Paris. Thence he will follow the river stream of Central Europe to a point where a short portage will put him in streams which will carry him down to the Riviera, from there he will coast along the shore of the Mediterranean to Rome.

RAIN RELIEVES CROPS.
WINNIPEG, July 29. Heavy rains of the past week throughout the Prairie Provinces were supplemented by further precipitation to-day. A generous downpour was reported from points in Saskatchewan which had suffered from the protracted drought. These districts report that the rain is urgently needed for summer fallow, and that it will materially relieve the crop and food situation. Light rain was general in Manitoba, but sufficient moisture has already fallen in the Province for the crop in its final stage of growth.

U.S. FLIERS OFF AGAIN.
BROUGHT, Eng., July 29. The United States round the world aviators will take off at Kirwall at 5 o'clock to-morrow morning, according to present arrangements.

PRICE OF BREAD INCREASED.
SASKATOON, July 29. Bread retailed here yesterday three loaves for 27 cents, instead of three loaves for 25 cents. The increase is due to the upward swing in the price of flour.

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Personals

(From Newfoundland Weekly.)
Mrs. Frank O'Neill, wife of the well-known football star, who was a passenger by S.S. Sachem, has made arrangements to conduct a party of tourists to Newfoundland shortly. The party consists of the following Bostonians—Mr. and Mrs. Warner, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith, Mr. Frank Powers, Miss May Powers and Mr. W. L. Honen.

We understand that Mrs. O'Neill purposes conducting other parties on the round trip to Newfoundland during the summer, and the Weekly has much pleasure in recommending this unexcelled ocean trip to its readers. Bert Watson, second son of Mr. W. W. Watson, ex-manager of Bank of Nova Scotia, St. John's, and now residing in Toronto, is on a visit to the "Hub," where he will remain for a few days.

Bert was severely "gassed" when overseas with the Canadian contingent and has been in poor health for some time, but is now improving. He is staying at the Brunswick, and after leaving here will proceed to the Adirondacks. Harry Watson, the Canadian Olympic hockey star, is a brother.

T. V. Payn, the well-known star of the Peildian hockey team, was married on the 29th ult. to Aileen, daughter of Mrs. A. W. Shattford, Hubbards, N.S. "Tommy" has a good position with Patterson Wild & Co., Customs Brokers, Chamber of Commerce Building, and purposes making his home in Boston.

Miss Catherine Devereaux, of 414 Saratoga St., East Boston, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. T. R. Moore, Avondale, Nfld. Miss Devereaux is travelling by the "cross-country" route, and will be gone for about two months.

Mr. Max Barbour, of the Anglo-American Telegraph Co., was a visitor at our office last week. Mr. Barbour is on a vacation trip through Canada, and the States and has had excellent weather.

Sydney Pearce was a welcome visitor at the office of the Weekly a few days ago.

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SIDE TALKS.

By Ruth Cameron.

HARD ON THE INNOCENT.



I refer to the difficulty anyone who is stalled on a lonely road has in getting any motorist to stop and help him.

Five or six years ago when we were passing at night along a lonely highway some motorists who were beside the road apparently having trouble with their engine signalled us to stop. I remember how surprised I was when the man at the wheel refused to stop. "Been too many holdups," he complained. "I don't like the looks of this place."

I was surprised then, for he was not a man one associated with ideas of caution. I wouldn't be surprised to-day. And I don't believe anyone would. One would be more surprised at any man who would take the risk of stopping under such circumstances. For the automobile holdups, which were something new and unusual then,

have become a commonplace to-day. Six Miles in Slippers.

Some people I know went to a dance in a town about 30 miles from their home recently. The party consisted of two girls and two young men. At a spot on the road which was about ten miles from nowhere they developed engine trouble. It was raining. The girls were thinly dressed. The men were unable to do anything with the engine and tried to hail passing autos for help. Not one would stop. The whole group finally had to walk six miles before they could find a store where they could telephone. Six miles over muddy road with thin-soled, high-heeled shoes and in thin frocks. Auto after auto passed, but not one would stop. Yet there probably wasn't one motorist who wouldn't have been glad to help those people if he had known it was safe.

Terribly hard on the innocent, but what can you do?

He Got Reinforcements.

A man who had been attacked and robbed by auto bandits was left in the bushes chained to the wheels of his own machine. His calls for help brought no response from the first autoists who passed by. They were

afraid it might be a plant. Finally a true good Samaritan went for help and with reinforcements went into the bushes and rescued the sufferer. One admires his combination of altruism, courage and common sense; and feels duly thankful that he wasn't treated as he might have been if the cry of distress had been merely a lure.

Good Samaritanship Takes Pluck.

Even being a Good Samaritan is a more difficult thing in these days when the man who was apparently set upon by thieves may turn out to be a thief or a murderer.

And the Good Samaritan turn out to be the victim. Truly the innocent suffer with the guilty and if there is anything we can do to stamp out this plague of bandits either by reporting all suspicious circumstances to the police, or by doing what we can do to stop the breeding of moral morons, we surely ought to do it.

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