

GERMANY'S REPLY TO BE MADE MONDAY

TAKE GOOD CARE OF BOTTLES AND PRICES WILL FALL, SAYS

Breakages During Last Year Meant Loss of \$3,000—Card-board Caps Cost Him \$1,600—People Have Remedy for High Cost in Their Own Hands.

"If the people of London want to keep down the price of milk they ought to take good care of the bottles," said a milk distributor to The Advertiser today.

"You would be surprised at the loss from breakages alone. Last year our firm lost \$3,000 from broken bottles. Of course frosty weather has a lot to do with it, and as this has been a milder winter the damage may not be so great; but if our customers would co-operate with us in promptly returning bottles, and in taking proper care of them while in their possession, it would have an immediate tendency to still further reduce the price of milk."

"It may surprise many people to know that an empty pint bottle is worth more than the milk which may be put into it, while a quart bottle is worth about just as much as the fluid it contains."

"Then, there are other incidental items of expense which milk consumers

EAST ELGIN LIBERALS TAKE ISSUE WITH U. F. O. POLICIES

Resolution Regarding Overthrow of Privilege and Special Class Starts a Warm Discussion—Albert Archibald of Yarmouth Is the New President.

[By Staff Reporter.]

AYLMER, March 4.—Some unimpeachably plain talk regarding the U. F. O., its aims and what it may develop into, was indulged in here this afternoon at the annual meeting of the East Elgin Liberal Association.

The meeting was opened by the president, Mr. J. H. Macdonald, who said that the U. F. O. was a thoroughly representative organization, and that the delegates, both men and women, were present from all parts of the riding. The meeting hall was so crowded that a number of extra chairs had to be brought in and placed in the aisles to accommodate those who gathered.

President Percy Dennis opened the meeting and read a short address paid a tribute to the late Mr. J. H. Macdonald, who had died on the 2nd inst.

The discussion regarding the U. F. O. started when the resolutions committee, consisting of Mr. J. H. Macdonald, Mr. C. D. Macdonald, and Mr. C. D. Macdonald, brought in a resolution against the U. F. O., urging that privilege and special class be done away with, and that Liberals do everything in their power to overthrow such principles.

Although the resolution did not carry,

ALWAYS EDITOR, HARDING SAYS

Proud of Profession, the New President Carries Printer's Rule in His Pocket.

Washington, March 5.—Whatever else he may be, Warren G. Harding classifies himself as an editor, publisher and printer, proud of his professional accomplishments and training. His luck-charm and most sacred possession is a printer's rule, carried in his pocket wherever he goes; and his close friends say he would rather set a type any day than grant an audience to an ambassador.

For more than thirty years Mr. Harding's bread and butter has been earned by the Marion Star, whose responsibilities he assumed under heavy mortgage and whose early years he nourished at the expense of his family. He more than once himself. Since his nomination for the presidency he has faced only one public ordeal that aroused emotions he could not master.

That was the temporary severance of the ties that bind him to the Star. On election night, when a group of his employees came to congratulate him, his voice broke and his eyes were shaken by sobs when he undertook to speak of the separation that must be the price of his triumph.

20-YEAR-OLD YOUTH MARRIES FOURTEEN MESSES IN THREE YEARS

New York, March 5.—Married fourteen times in three years, a deserter from both the army and the navy, and now serving a term in the naval prison at Portsmouth, N. H., comprises the alleged record of Harold Hammond, 20 years of age. This was revealed here yesterday in anniversary proceedings brought by the first and second wives.

The court was told that Hammond enlisted in the army in the fall of 1917, and shortly afterwards deserted from Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont, and came to this city where he was married. The following day he was arrested and sent back to his command. Then he deserted the army and enlisted in the navy under an assumed name. Once in the navy, he lived up to the precepts of a sailor, and had a sweetheart in every port, a good many of them he subsequently wedded. Hammond's attorney said he "married girls all the way from Maine to Virginia," and, he declared, married twice on the same day.

WIRELESS WIZARD SUPPLEMENTS INVENTION



SIGNOR MARCONI, who has perfected an apparatus for the guidance of ships through dense fog.

PALESTINE TO BE IMPROVED UNDER MANDATE

Sir Herbert Samuel Announces Program of Public Works.

London, March 5.—Important government works will be begun in Palestine following the approval of Great Britain's mandate over that country by the league of nations. Sir Herbert Samuel, high commissioner for Palestine, declared yesterday in addressing the Palestine advisory council. He said a Government loan would be issued and the proceeds would be utilized for developing railways, postal, telegraph and telephone systems, highways, harbors, government buildings, water supply plants and other public institutions, says a dispatch received here.

Asks Permit To Wed Just Three Months

Detroit, March 5.—"I want a marriage license for only three months," said a resident of Collins avenue, Hamtramck, who visited the marriage license department in the county clerk's office Friday.

It was the first time the clerk in charge had ever heard of such a request, and he was almost floored, but he regained his composure, and questioned the applicant as to his reasons for wanting the license for three months.

"I don't want to be married for good," the man explained. "I have a wife living in Europe and she may come home any time, and when she does I want to live with her. I don't like living alone, so I thought you could fix it for me to have a wife for a short time."

The man from Hamtramck was plainly disappointed when he was informed that the Michigan law did not countenance any such proceeding, and that marriage in America was supposed to be a life contract.

COSTA RICAN FORCES TAKE BOCAS DEL TORO AFTER HARD FIGHT

Panaman Troops Suffer Heavily in Defence of City.

San Juan Del Sur, Nicaragua, March 5.—Bocas Del Toro, capital of the Panaman province of the same name, and situated at the southern end of Columbus island, off the east coast of Panama, has been taken by Costa Rican forces. Many casualties were inflicted upon the Panaman troops, and the Costa Ricans took 150 prisoners. It is said in reports reaching here, General George Volo is marching from San Juan with 1,000 men to the vicinity of Coto on the Pacific end of the frontier between Costa Rica and Panama.

CROSSED PANAMA FRONTIER

Panama, March 5.—Costa Rican forces have crossed the Panama frontier, and appear to have overrun the northeastern section of the Province of Bocas del Toro.

President Porras has named a defensive council of five, to which will be entrusted the selection of men for the Panaman army. All men between the ages of 18 and 40 who have been called to the colors will be examined at once, and the technical training of the national forces is being planned. Many foreigners in Panama are joining a legion that is being organized by John P. Sheridan.

ALLIED POWERS TO ESTABLISH NAVAL CORDON ALONG COAST OF GERMANY IN ADDITION TO OCCUPYING LAND AREAS

Germany's Answer to Allies' Ultimatum Is Expected On Monday—Lloyd George and Admiral Beatty Confer On Naval Action—North Sea and Baltic To Be Scenes of Demonstrations—German Experts Discuss Possible Economic Effects If the Berlin Government Refuses to Meet Reparations Demands.

London, March 5.—Germany's "real offer" will be forthcoming on Monday, when her delegates appear before the supreme Allied council to deliver the answer of the Berlin cabinet to the Allied ultimatum presented on Thursday, it was said in some quarters here today. It was declared that the German representatives were busy while the conference was marking time in formulating fresh proposals.

Mr. Lloyd George conferred yesterday with Admiral Sir David Beatty, commander of the fleet, on the situation which would arise should the Allies decide to apply penalties to Germany. Authoritative information was claimed by the Daily Sketch that in case of a blockade, both the North Sea and the Baltic would be the scenes of a naval demonstration, and that Great Britain, in concert with France, had made all preparations to establish a naval cordon along the German coast. Some newspapers here today made the point that if Germany expected "crumbs of comfort" from President Harding's inaugural address she was disillusioned. During the next few days members of the supreme council and representatives of the Turkish governments of Constantinople and Angora, and Greece, will hold private conferences for the purposes of finding common basis for the discussion of problems arising out of the settlement of questions pertaining to the Near East.

STUDYING ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCES

Berlin, March 5.—Germany's economic life will be seriously affected by the measures the Allies threaten to take if the government does not agree to the terms laid down by the supreme council in Paris, but they cannot prevent the government from refusing to sign obligations which cannot be fulfilled, is the opinion prevalent in authoritative circles here. A semi-official statement was issued yesterday, showing the economic effect of the coercive measures threatened at London, and they were discussed by a committee of experts, under the presidency of Constantine Ehrenbach, the chancellor.

Following the suspension of the sitting of the Reichstag yesterday, during which Independent Socialists, and Communists caused considerable disorder, Paul Loege, president of the chamber, disappeared. When the time for resuming the session had come, none of the members knew what the next move would be, and finally the chamber adjourned without fixing a date for the next meeting.

SIX-YEAR-OLD BOY FALLS OFF WELLINGTON ST. BRIDGE AND IS DROWNED IN THAMES

Little Tommy Turner, 244 Ottaway Avenue, Standing On Bridge Rail, Lost Balance, Falling Into Icy Waters—Fire Department Searching for Body.

Firemen at noon today were searching for the body of 6-year-old Tommy Turner, 244 Ottaway avenue, at the Wellington street bridge, where he fell off the bridge into the river. According to residents of the vicinity the boy was standing on the railing, lost his balance, and fell about 30 feet into the icy waters.

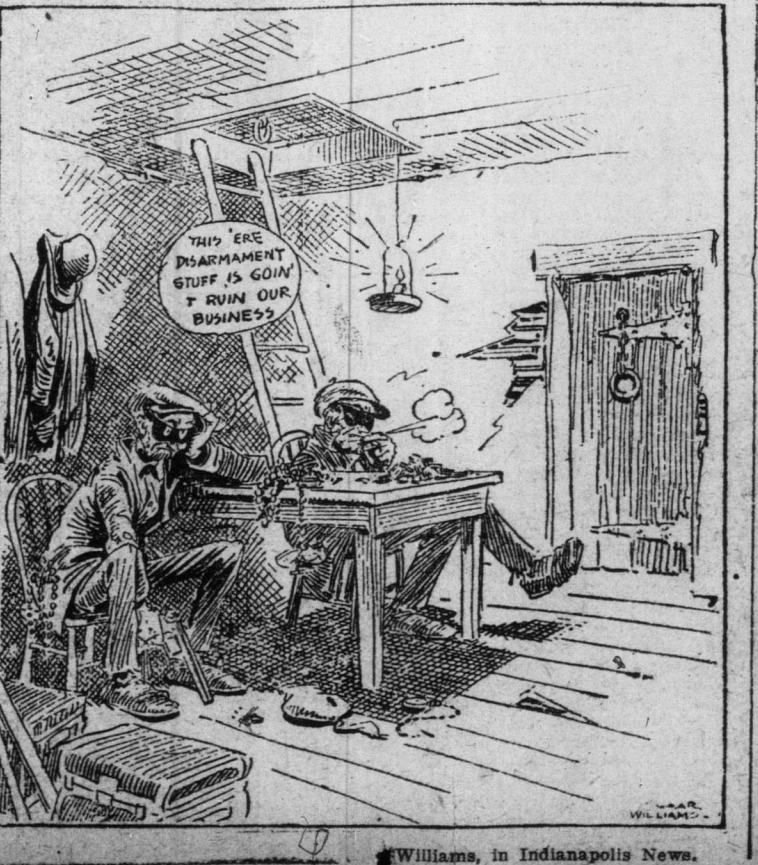
Some small playmates were with him, but they were unable to give a very exact account of the accident.

At 11:25 a.m., immediately after the affair occurred, the fire department was notified and dispatched a number of men to the scene.

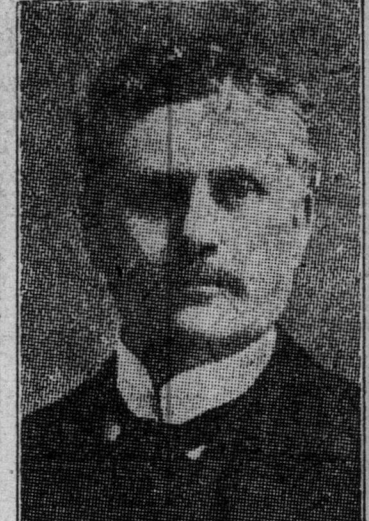
Today the ice has been flowing under the bridge, and the water is deeper than it has been all winter.

His mother, Mary M. Turner, is a cook at Victoria Hospital. His father is deceased.

OUT OF LUCK!



MANY CIVIL SERVANTS MAY BE DISMISSED



DEPUTY POSTMASTER R. M. COULTER, who is now considering the merging of several branches of the department following the Griffith-Hagen recommendations, while it is estimated that 400 employees will lose their positions because of the change. Mr. Coulter does not believe that anything like that number would be affected.

BELIEVES MAYOR SHOULD RECEIVE FAIR PLAY

Mayor Little Justified in Defending His Dignity.

STATES J. M. DONAHUE

Men in Public Offices Should Be Free From Vindictive Personal Attacks.

"I believe in fair play, and I believe Mayor Little was justified in defending his dignity against the attacks made at the mass meeting regarding unemployment," J. M. Donahue, one of the principal speakers at that gathering, said today. "Some of the members of the council, however, appear to have forgotten their dignity if they have been correctly reported in the press, he added."

Speaking for myself, and I think for organized labor, it is to be regretted that Mr. A. E. Pocock chose the time and place he did for a personal attack on the mayor. Men in public office should be free from vindictive attacks of a private nature.

"I have several criticisms to make of the mayor's unemployment policy, but I will always, I hope, confine myself to attacking the policy rather than the individual. We accept the mayor's denial of Mr. Pocock's charges, without question."

Mayor Little made further replies to the charges today. Mr. Donahue had asserted that the mayor's attitude was due to political reasons, the mayor said. "In a sense it was due to political reasons," he stated, "but not for my political reasons. The whole thing was stirred up by that element of Labor which seeks to give a radical tone to the whole movement, and which we have been combating for the last two or three years. Mr. Donahue apparently aligning himself with that section when he makes utterances of that kind."

PARLIAMENT SUMMARY

YESTERDAY IN PARLIAMENT. Ottawa, March 5.—In the Commons: Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance, promised to bring forward a bill to amend the Income Tax Act, and to introduce a bill to amend the Excise Act, and to introduce a bill to amend the Customs Act.

In the Senate: There will be no sitting of the Senate today.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 27; lowest, 12.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 30; lowest, 21.

TOMORROW—MILDER.

Fresh to strong winds, unsettled to dry and on Sunday, with occasional sleet or rain; higher temperature.

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

Station	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	48	36	Clear
Calgary	24	18	Fair
Winnipeg	20	8	Cloudy
Port Arthur	28	18	Cloudy
Sault Ste Marie	18	16	Cloudy
Parry Sound	20	14	Cloudy
Montreal	22	10	Cloudy
Kingston	18	14	Cloudy
Ottawa	18	10	Cloudy
Quebec	14	2	Cloudy
Halifax	42	12	Clear

The weather has been over the greater part of the Dominion and rather dry and cold. The weather in the Atlantic coast, while a moderate low area is approaching the lake region from the westward.

FEW BUSINESS CONCERNS AS GENEROUS TO EMPLOYEES AS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Much Comment On the Proposed Increases in Teachers' Salaries—Returned Man Wants to Know What Chance He Has for Secretary's Job With One or More Trustees in the Running.

Educational circles while closely concerned today with the preparation of the remaining estimates of the board of education for presentation to the city council on Monday night exhibited the proverbial calm before the storm of activity which will prevail on Monday when no less than three special committee meetings and a special meeting of the board will be crowded between the hours of 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Considerable street comment was heard this morning on the large increase for teachers salaries included in the draft estimates of No. 1 committee at its meeting last night. The generally expressed opinion took the form of regret that few if any business concerns in the city are as generous to their employees as the board is to the teachers in the matter of fixed annual increases.

"I have worked for my firm for many years while I have been advanced several times during that time, if the advance had been at the rate of 100 a year I would today be in a position of independence quite apart from the feeling of security for the future which each coming year would bring another \$100 tucked in to keep me quiet," remarked one man who holds a position of considerable responsibility to an advertiser's reporter.

"What chance will any returned man stand against a member of the board?" asked a veteran who stated that it was his intention to enter application for the position of secretary to the board. "By the bye," he continued, "some of our returned men claim that members of public bodies cannot legally apply for positions in the employ of the body on which they serve without first resigning their position. I don't know whether that is actually correct or not but it seems a fair and reasonable thing. Any way I'm going to take my chance with the trustees."

SHUNS FUNERAL OF SOULMATE

Mrs. Orthwein, Who Slew Herbert Ziegler at Chicago, Guarded Against Suicide.

Chicago, March 5.—Extraordinary precautions were taken today to prevent Mrs. Leola Cora Orthwein from committing suicide while she awaited the funeral of her husband, Herbert P. Ziegler, the "soulmate" who had slain, was being buried. She is suffering nervous prostration and is wildly hysterical at times. Her desire to join in death the man with whom she was infatuated led her relatives and police officials to watch her closely.

HARDING'S CABINET MINISTERS BEING SWORN IN TODAY

Changes in Governmental Departments Are Under Way.

Washington, March 5.—Today was a day of change in the United States Government's departments.

The heads of the ten departments under the Wilson administration had closed up their records and cleared away their desks, preparatory to turning over their respective portfolios to the men selected by President Harding as his advisers.

One member of the new cabinet, Andrew W. Mellon, the new secretary of the treasury, took the oath of office yesterday at the department after the conclusion of the inaugural ceremonies. The other nine members were sworn in today at their respective departments with various bureau chiefs of their departments as witnesses.

President Harding spent a busy day giving consideration to the assistant secretaries and others who are to serve under the cabinet members and to nomination to other offices left vacant by the retirement of the Wilson administration.

BRITISH COLUMBIA TO ASK DOMINION GOVT. TO STOP IMPORTATION

Victoria, B. C., March 5.—Canadian Press—Application to the Dominion Government to enact legislation during the present session in Ottawa, prohibiting the importation of intoxicating liquor into the British Columbia Province, except through the Provincial Government, is to be made, according to a motion introduced in the Legislature yesterday by Premier Oliver. This step is being taken in view of the belief that the province has not power to prevent the importation of liquor or to impose a special tax of \$250 a bottle on all such importations, as proposed in the original draft of the moderation bill.

U. S. VETERANS AGAINST SINN FEIN PROPAGANDA

Charleston, S. C., March 5.—Without a dissenting vote, the Charleston post of the American Legion last night adopted resolutions opposing the proposed visit here Sunday of Lord Mayor O'Callaghan of Cork, charging that a movement is afoot to "create in this country an anti-British sentiment, with the ultimate purpose, and serious likelihood, of bringing about hostilities between this country and Great Britain."

The resolution further said that "those supporting the propaganda on behalf of the so-called 'Irish republic' would gladly sacrifice both the vital interests of this country and the future of the entire human race in their mad desire to bring about the destruction of Great Britain."