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MOBS PILLAGE IN FRANKFORT

Authorities Are Powerless to Prevent Pillaging on Large Scale—Troops Refuse to Fire on the Rioters.

London, Dec. 30.—Pillaging on a large scale is being carried on by mobs in Frankfurt, Germany, and the authorities are powerless to prevent it, according to a Central News dispatch from Amsterdam. The troops in the city have refused to fire on the rioters.

Copenhagen, Dec. 30.—The Central Council of Soldiers and Workmen of Germany has appointed Nasse, Governor of Kiel, Loche, Editor of the Breslau Volks Wacht, and Wisner, a member of the Reichstag, as Cabinet Ministers to replace Foreign Minister Hoeser, Minister of Social Policy Barth and Demobilization Minister Dittmann, who retired Saturday night, according to Berlin advice received here.

Copenhagen, Dec. 30.—Disturbances continued in Berlin up to late Saturday afternoon. Riots began to fall at that time and the crowds in the streets dissolved. Huge processions and demonstrations were held on Sunday by all parties.

The Independent Socialists, members of the Spartacus faction, and sailors held a big demonstration in connection with the burial of the victims of Tuesday's fighting.

It is reported from Berlin that several hundred persons took part in a demonstration under the auspices of the majority Socialists. Leaders of the majority Socialists made speeches in the streets and in the Tiergarten.

Amsterdam, Dec. 30.—Striking miners in the Dusseldorf district fought a pitched battle with soldiers, according to advice received here. Several persons were killed, and wounded, but the troops finally surrounded and arrested the miners.

Paris, Dec. 30.—(Havas).—The German propaganda bureau asserts that in the fighting in Berlin on Christmas Eve, seventy-six persons were killed, the attacking troops lost fifty-six men killed, while six officers and five policemen, who were fighting with the soldiers, lost their lives.

The damage to the Imperial castle during the fighting was great. More than 100 shells were fired on the castle.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—A "League for the Protection of the Personal Liberty and Life of the Kaiser" has been formed, and will issue an appeal to the former advisers of the ex-Kaiser, as well as diplomats with whom he was associated, to submit all possible documents to prove the Kaiser's innocence of the outbreak of the war.

Prince Henry of Prussia, who was proposed for president of the League suggested von Hindenburg for the position.

Paris, Dec. 30.—(Havas).—Advices from Zurich yesterday were to the effect that the situation in Berlin remained obscure, but that the city evidently was extremely disturbed, and it was thought Sunday might prove a crucial day. Both political parties were said to be making formidable preparations for the announced demonstrations.

The dispatches added that serious news was being received from Hamburg, Kiel and Danzig, where revolutionary sailors were masters of the situation. It also was asserted that there had been sanguinary encounters in the Ruhr basin region in West Prussia.

Cadet Eugene Arnold of the U. S. Navy is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Bert Stephenson, Newcastle Townsite.

RELIEVED OF HIS DUTIES

Former Official of E. & N. Is Asked to Step Down From the Management of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

Victoria, Dec. 30.—George L. Courtney since early in July last manager of the Pacific Great Eastern railway has been relieved of his duties. At a meeting of the directors of the Railway Company today it was decided to request Mr. Courtney to resign and a telegram to that effect was sent to him at the company's head office at Vancouver. At the directors meeting there were present Premier Oliver, Hon. John Hart and Hon. J. W. DeB. Harris. Pending the appointment of a new manager the road duties of the office will be carried on by Mr. Wilson of the Vancouver head office staff. The office carries with it a salary of \$5000 a year. Mr. Courtney's retirement is due to governmental dissatisfaction with his conduct of the road.

MAY REUNITE WITH PREMIER

Asquithians Elected to House of Commons May Reunite Under Leadership of Mr. Lloyd George.

London, Dec. 30.—Reuters' understands that the Asquithians elected to Parliament, and also a number of Coalition Liberals, will be invited to meet the defeated leaders before parliament convenes. It is recalled that Mr. Asquith declared before the election that support of the Coalition government was not inconsistent with Liberal principles. It was persistently rumored today that the Asquithians may reunite under Mr. Lloyd George's leadership.

Of the 123 defeated candidates who were members of the last House of Commons, twenty-two were Asquithians, fourteen Liberals, nine Coalition Liberals, nine Coalition Unionists and six Independents.

Only the following remained of the Nationalists: J. Devlin, T. P. O'Connor, Captain Redmond, P. Donnelly, E. J. O'Doherty, E. J. Kelly, J. Macveagh and T. Harbison. For the nine Belfast seats, six Unionists, two Laborites-Unionists and one Nationalist were returned. The Ulster constituencies returned twenty-three Unionists, eight Sinn Feiners and seven Nationalists.

Sweeping Victory. London, Dec. 30.—(British Wireless Service).—Mr. Lloyd George and his Coalition government won a more sweeping victory in the general election than had been expected. Not only was Mr. Asquith defeated, but his personal following in the House of Commons has been reduced to thirty-seven. It is believed that a new seat will be found for him by one of his followers who will resign his seat in favor of the defeated Liberal leader.

In the defeat of Rt. Hon. Reginald McKenna, Rt. Hon. Walter Runciman, Rt. Hon. Sir John Simon, Rt. Hon. Herbert Samuel and Thomas McKinnon Wood, the front Opposition bench is depleted of all its principal occupants.

There have been suggestions that Mr. Asquith might retire from politics as a result of his defeat but this view is not encouraged by his personal friends. Should he retire, however, he probably would be succeeded in the Liberal leadership by Mr. McKenna or Sir John Simon.

The Standing. London, Dec. 30.—Complete election returns give the following results:

Coalition-Unionists	334
Coalition-Liberals	127
Coalition-Laborites	1
Unionists	48
Asquith Liberals	37
Laborites	65
National Party	2
Independents	5
Socialists	1
Sinn Feiners	73
Irish Nationalists	7

All the Coalitionists, with the exception of the Unionists and National Party men may be regarded roughly as supporting Mr. Lloyd George. The only opposition will be formed by the Asquith Liberals, Laborites and Independents.

NURSES' PAY AND HOURS. Calgary, Dec. 30.—The nurses in the emergency hospitals here have been put on eight-hour shifts with the same pay as they were getting under the twelve-hour shift system.

LOCAL POLICE RAIDED "STILL"

Manufacture of Whiskey Was in Full Swing When Police Dropped in and Put An End to Operations.

A scene common in the history of Kentucky connected with the illicit manufacture of "moonshine" was enacted in a lonely spot a mile or so south of Extension at eleven o'clock last night when Chief Constable Bert Stephenson, Constable Mustard of Nanaimo and Constable Russell of Ladysmith raided a shack located on the property of Mrs. J. Quinn and discovered an old time whiskey still in full operation. Henri Savy, Felix Dechane and Leon de Corte were arrested and brought to the Nanaimo jail where they will be held pending the hearing of the serious charge to be preferred against them.

Twenty gallons of "moonshine" had been made, the operators working by the aid of carbide lamps being so engrossed in their work that they did not notice the approach of the police who were guided to the spot by the strong fumes arising from the "still." The entire plant, including an auto which it is believed was used in transporting the product to the city, was seized by Mr. Jno. Shaw, the local Revenue Officer, the whole paraphernalia being brought into town by truck at an early hour this morning.

CONFIDENCE IN CLEMENCEAU

Deputies Voted Confidence in Clemenceau After Stormy Debate in Which France's War Aims Were Outlined.

Paris, Dec. 30.—Premier Clemenceau was given a vote of confidence today after a stormy debate during which the war aims of France were outlined by Foreign Minister Pichon and the Premier had indicated his adherence to the "old system of alliance called 'the balance of power.'" It was indicated by the Premier that the formation of a League of Nations might be carried out incidentally with the drafting of the treaty of peace.

The Premier also made it plain that it was his intention to support Great Britain at the peace negotiations on the question of the freedom of the seas, and he declared that his attitude on this matter was approved by President Wilson.

The Premier's intimation that the formation of the proposed League of Nations and the drafting of the peace treaty might be carried out simultaneously was brought out by a statement by M. Renaudel, a Socialist, who expressed his regrets that the Allies had decided not to organize a League until after peace had been declared.

"Nothing of the sort," answered the Premier.

"Whether this Chamber gives me a vote of confidence or not, I am ready at once to resign office," he continued.

"If you have a minute's hesitation," (Continued on Page Three)

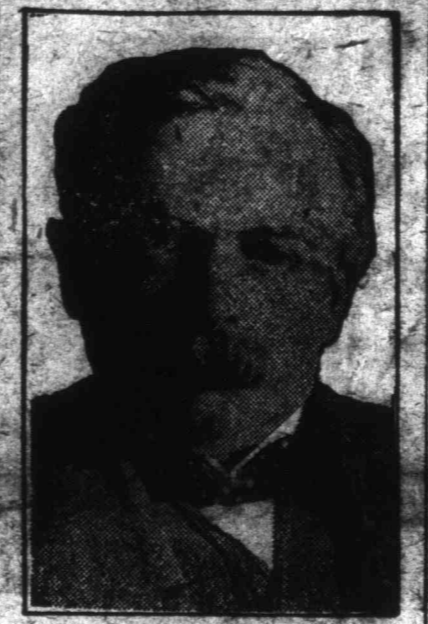
MR. AND MRS. PREWETT LOSE YOUNG SON

The death occurred Sunday night of Alexander Edward Prewett, the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Prewett, of 53 Comox Road. The funeral, under the direction of Mr. H. MacLellan, will take place from the family residence this (Tuesday) morning at 10.30, the Rev. Mr. Vance officiating.

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Lloyd George, the British Premier whose Government has been returned to power with the largest majority in Britain's political history.

AERIAL ROUTES ARE PROPOSED

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Some weeks ago an advisory committee on aeronautics was appointed by the government at the instance of organizations propagating aerial navigation. Two proposed aerial routes have just been approved. One of them, the Canadian link in the All-Red Route, will run from St. John's, Nfld., to Vancouver with stops at all the principal cities.

The "Sunset Airway" will be the second great highroad of the Canadian air routes. Starting at St. John's, Nfld., it will touch Sydney, Halifax, St. John, N.B., Fredericton, Moncton, Riviere du Loup, Quebec, Trois Rivières, Montreal, Cornwall, Prescott, Brockville, Kingston, Belleville, Toronto, Camp Borden, Owen Sound, Port Arthur, Winnipeg and so on to the Pacific coast.

Subsidiary routes are proposed from Toronto to Central Ontario and across to the United States, and from Montreal to New York, Boston, and from Vancouver to Seattle, Portland, and San Francisco.

Halifax will be a night stop from Vancouver, while Montreal and Toronto will be fifteen hours apart.

TWELVE KILLED IN EXPLOSION

Lebanon, N. J., Dec. 30.—Twelve persons were killed here tonight and twelve others injured by two gas explosions in the Lebanon Post Office.

The first explosion blew the roof off the building, and the second caused the walls to collapse burying all within in the building in the debris.

PYTHIAN SISTERS TO HOLD BIG MASQUERADE

The annual masquerade ball of the Pythian Sisters will be held on New Year's Night in the Oddfellows' Hall, the grand march starting at 9 o'clock sharp. The following is the list of prizes:

Best dressed lady, in masquerade costume	\$7.50
Best dressed gent, in masquerade costume	7.50
Best comic group not less than four	8.00
Best musical character	2.50
Best original character	2.50
Best comic-character	2.50
Best flower girl	3.00

The prizes of admission are as follows: Masked gentlemen, \$1.10; masked ladies, 30c; spectators, 30c. Gentlemen spectators dancing after unmasking 50c. Supper will be served, price 50c. These prices include war tax.

JOHN WILSON PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY

The death occurred on Sunday morning at the family residence on Five Acres, of John Wilson, a native of Cumberland, England, aged 59 years. The deceased resided in the city for the last 31 years. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Miss Clara Wilson, and two brothers, Irving and Peter of this city.

The funeral will take place from MacLellan's parlors at 1.30 Tuesday afternoon, to St. Paul's church, Rev. S. Ryall officiating.

RUSSIANS CAPTURE PERM. Paris, Dec. 30.—Russian troops have captured Perm from the Bolsheviks, taking 18,000 prisoners.

WOULD OUTDO GREAT BRITAIN

Secretary of Navy Daniels Wants the United States to Have the Greatest Navy in the Whole World.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Unless a League of Nations or other tribunal that will make certain limitations of international armament is established, the United States must build the greatest navy in the world, Secretary Daniels today told the House Naval Committee. It is my firm conviction, declared the Secretary, that if the conference at Versailles does not result in a general agreement to put an end to naval building on the part of all nations then the United States must build her navy and build her navy and must give her men and give her money to the task of the creation of incomparably the greatest navy in the world. With the completion of the proposed new three-year building program adding ten dreadnoughts, six battle cruisers, ten scout cruisers and 130 smaller craft to the fleet America will still rank second in naval strength to Great Britain.

ING SALMON PACK

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—1,616,157 cases of salmon were packed by the canners of British Columbia during the season of 1918, being 58,672 more than in 1917.

LIGHT CONTRACT EXPIRES TODAY

Question of Renewing Contract for Street Lighting is Referred to the Incoming Council for Attention.

The meeting of the City Council last night was very brief, there being but one item on the agenda, a letter from the City Engineer, Mr. W. L. Brown, secretary of the Nanaimo Electric Light and Power Company, informing the Council of the agreement between the city and the company for street lighting which had been in force since February 27th, 1911, expired on January 31st, and suggested that steps be taken at an early date for a renewal of the agreement, the communication being referred to the incoming council for attention on motion of Ald. Forrester.

On motion of Ald. Forrester, seconded by Ald. Busby the Comptroller was authorized to apportionate \$15,000 worth of Victory Bonds that had been paid in for taxes.

FIRE DESTROYS BARRACKS

St. John, N. B., Dec. 30.—Fire during last night destroyed the new military barracks on Partridge Island at the entrance to the harbor.

Used Cars SPECIALS

Ford Touring Car, used very little, all new tires, for \$500. \$150 cash, balance \$350 a month.

Chevrolet Touring Car, in perfect running order for \$525. \$150 cash, balance, \$375 a month.

Five-passenger McLaughlin Buick, tires all good, also spare tire. This is a snap \$450. \$125 cash, balance \$325 a month.

Overland Touring 1916 model. This car is in perfect condition with nickel plated bumper and spare tire. Price \$750. \$250 cash, balance \$500 a month.

TOM WEEKS

DESPERRY IN TURK CAPITAL

Commander in Chief of the Allied Forces Made His Official Entry Into Turkish Capital on Sunday.

Constantinople, Dec. 30.—General Franchet Desperay, commander in chief of Allied forces in the Near East made his official entry into Constantinople Sunday, coming from Salonika on the French cruiser Patrie. He was welcomed by Allied representatives, Turkish army and navy. During the passage through the Dardanelles, Patrie stopped over the spot where the French battleship Bouvet sunk in March, 1915, and religious and military memorial services were held.

SIX WERE KILLED AND SCORES INJURED

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 30.—Six persons are reported killed and scores injured in a head-on collision between a Lake Erie and western passenger train and a stock train in East Peoria yards at 8 o'clock tonight.

COMMISSION IS UNLAWFUL

So Declares Charles Wilson, K. C., Who is to Test the Validity and Authority of Commission Investigating Prohibition Legislation.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—The validity and authority of the Commission investigating the enforcement of Prohibition Legislation in British Columbia, is to be tested in the courts, Charles Wilson, K. C., asserted today on completion of his appearance before the Commission. He stated that his client and son-in-law, A. L. Garsshore, said to be manager of the Western Canada Liquor Company, would refuse even to put in an appearance on a subpoena, and Wilson added that it was his contention that the whole Commission was invalid and unlawful. Wilson's appearance was made in connection with a writ of habeas corpus which had been issued by the court to bring Garsshore before him, but it was stated later by the Government counsel Craig, a warrant will not be served until Garsshore is required as a witness, which may not be until after the holiday adjournments. The Commission sits again tomorrow.

G. L. McCrea, local freight agent for the C. P. R., gave evidence before the Commission concerning seven shipments of liquor over the company's lines, consigned either to W. C. Findlay personally, or to "Prohibition Commissioner." The last shipment, one of 700 cases, addressed to Findlay, which arrived Nov. 27, was short 75 cases on arrival, he said, and no claim for this shortage had been made. Other shipments were short in smaller quantities.

Evidence given at the morning session by P. M. Chapman, manager of the Cartage Co., was to the effect that deliveries of liquor had been made by his firm in some instances. Two barrels and one case marked "oil," had been taken from a liquor warehouse and delivered to a New Westminster address on Aug. 30, he said, and on Aug. 30, five more cases and a keg went to the same address. A load, probably from 25 to 40 cases was delivered to a residence in the Shaughnessy Heights district from another warehouse.

UNIONIST CANDIDATE NAMED FOR DUNCAN

Victoria, Dec. 30.—Kenneth Duncan, son of the late W. G. Duncan, after whom the city of Duncan is named is the nominee of the Cowichan Unionist League, and will enter the field as an independent candidate at the forthcoming bye-election, occasioned by the resignation of Major W. H. Hayward. Duncan has been in France with the army medical corps, and is on his way back to Canada. He is a former major and president of the Board of Trade of Duncan. The only other candidate in the contest is Major F. B. Edwards, nominee of the Soldiers' organization.

GOUSIA—CUFFALO

At Ladysmith, on December 25, the Rev. Father Bogazzi, united in marriage Mr. Alexander Gousia, of Nanaimo, and Miss Josephine Cuffalo, of this city. Only immediate relatives were present at the ceremony.

RECORD MARRED BY EPIDEMIC

But for Epidemic of Influenza Nanaimo Had But Few Cases of Infectious Diseases During the Year States Dr. Drysdale.

But for the epidemic of influenza, which was no respecter of person and which swept practically the entire province, Nanaimo has been very clear of infectious diseases during the year 1918. This statement was made by City Health Officer Drysdale to the members of the City Council who met at the close of the regular meeting of the Council last night to receive a report from the Health Officer regarding conditions in the city. Dr. Drysdale stated there had been no new cases of influenza during the past few weeks, prior to which a few cases which were little more than the old gripe, had been attended to. Since that time a few cases of diphtheria had broken out and four homes had been quarantined, but there was no traceable connection between the two epidemics. He had decided to have the four affected houses thoroughly fumigated and also to have the schools fumigated, and so start out the new year right. Outside of the "flu," Dr. Drysdale stated the city had not experienced a year with so few cases of an infectious nature, and the city should congratulate itself that it had gotten through so well. For Nanaimo did not have the facilities that big cities had to combat infectious diseases, thought the city's death rate of about 9 per cent., compared exceedingly well with any city and was even better than the majority.

Commenting upon the severe nature of the second attack in the past, the Medical Health Officer informed the Council that Dr. Young, the Provincial Health Officer was anticipating a second epidemic in this province, but if such did occur he (Dr. Drysdale) did not think the attack would be very severe in Nanaimo because of the fact that the recent epidemic had more or less affected the entire population of the district. In concluding his remarks, Dr. Drysdale thanked the members of the Board of Health for the support they had given him during the epidemic, and stated it was a comfortable thing for a Health Officer to know he had the Board of Health behind him.

Mayor McKenzie expressed the sentiments of the Board in a few words when he stated the Board was satisfied with the officer's actions or it would not have backed him up, and after instructing the Clerk to purchase the supplies necessary for a thorough fumigation of the schools, the meeting of the Board of Health adjourned.

THOMAS IS CHAIRMAN OF LABOR PARTY

London, Dec. 30.—The defeat of Arthur Henderson made vacant the chairmanship of the Labor Party in the House, and J. W. Thomas, Secretary of the General Railway Men's Union, has been elected to the vacancy and the selection meets with general approval. Labor will be the largest party at Westminster outside the Coalition majority. There is general discussion of the possibility of labor members actively supporting the government in its general policy of reform as outlined.

SUPPLIES FOR SIBERIA

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—More than 8,000 tons of Red Cross supplies have been shipped to Vladivostok since September 15.

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SURRENDER OF GERMAN FLEET---BIJOU

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY