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WARSAW DOOMED TO FALL BEFORE PEACE IS CONCLUDED

Three Officers of Ponzi's Rival Get Rich Quick Company Arrested

FRANCO-BRITISH TENSION EASIER, NO CONFERENCE

France Will Not Act in Wrangel Case Until Britain Has Been Consulted.

MAY WITHHOLD AID

London, Aug. 13.—It was officially stated this afternoon that no arrangements were being made for a meeting between Premier Lloyd George and Premier Millerand as a result of France's action in recognizing General Wrangel's government in South Russia.

"France has taken a stand in Minsk, and Great Britain has done the same thing," the Associated Press was informed. "There is no need of a conference now. The tension today was considerably lessened, and the countries are not so far apart as the situation yesterday seemed to indicate."

May Not Assist Wrangel.

Paris, Aug. 13.—France has not yet determined to materially assist General Wrangel, the Bolshevik commander in South Russia, as, according to an announcement from the ministry of foreign affairs, Premier Millerand and Lloyd George agreed at the Hythe conference that such aid was not to be undertaken, except in certain eventualities. It is considered that France will not act until after an exchange of views with Great Britain. The foreign office today issued a denial that France had even discussed Poland to wage war with the Bolsheviks. On the contrary, the statement said, France has urged Poland to keep within her ethnographic boundaries and to realize that her dangers lay westward rather than eastward.

To Report to Wrangel. Cherbourg, France, Aug. 13.—A new torpedo boat launched here today has received instructions to report to General Wrangel at Sebastopol, on the Black Sea.

PREMIER LEAVES WARSAW?

Warsaw, Aug. 13.—The newspapers today stated that Premier Wittos has left Warsaw for Posen.

STEAMER MONTARA STRIKES ON REEF

Is Stranded Near Louisburg, N.S.—Report Crew Leaving the Ship.

Sydney, N.S., Aug. 13.—The steamer Montara in ballast bound to Louisburg for a cargo of coal, stranded on a reef five miles east of Louisburg in a dense fog at six o'clock this morning.

A wireless from the wreck at the time merely gave the ship's position without details of the accident. Two hours later a final radio declared that the crew were leaving the ship and that the wireless would soon be useless owing to water.

Louisburg, N.S., Aug. 13.—Gooseberry Cove, eight miles from Louisburg, where the American steamer Montara is ashore, is one of the most dangerous places on the whole coast. The fog continues dense, and no details of the wreck have reached Louisburg. On account of the locality, the rescue of the crew may be held up for hours until the fog lifts before doing anything for the relief of the Montara.

The Montara is reported as having sailed from Philadelphia July 18 for Boston. She is an American-owned steamer of 2562 tons gross. Captain Barry is in command.

YOUNG TORONTO GIRL IS PAINFULLY BURNED

Lindsay, Ont., Aug. 13.—A young girl by the name of Meehan, who is summering with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Meehan of Toronto, at Sturgeon Point, was painfully burned this morning when fire caught her kimono. The young sufferer was wrapped in liniment until a doctor arrived from Fenelon Falls. No serious results are expected.

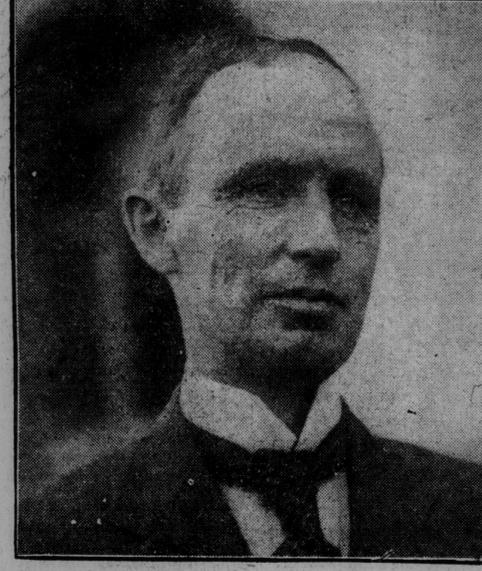
MINERS AND OWNERS MEET TO READJUST WAGE SCALE

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 13.—The wage scale committees of the bituminous coal operators and union miners of the central-western fields met in executive session here today, in pursuance to a request of President Wilson to consider a change in wages, and, after organizing, adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

OFF FOR ALASKA AGAIN.

Prince George, B.C., Aug. 13.—The United States army airplanes left Prince George this morning, starting at 8:47 for Hazelton, the next stopping place. The last to take off was Colonel Street, commanding the expedition, who left at 8:58.

PREMIER MEIGHEN IN TORONTO



This picture was taken by The World's staff photographer yesterday on the occasion of the new prime minister's visit to inspect the big harbor works.

FOUR "QUICK RICH" MEN NOW BEHIND THE BARS

Bondsman Surrenders, Ponzi and Three Members of Rival Investment Concern Arrested—Further Developments Expected.

Boston, Aug. 13.—Four men who have accepted millions of dollars from New England investors in the last few months on promises of payment of fabulous interest, were behind the bars tonight. Charles Ponzi, whose spectacular financial dealings have made his name known the continent over, was surrendered today by the city who furnished \$15,000 bonds for his release after his arrest by the federal authorities yesterday. Unable to find another bondsman, Ponzi was taken to the Middlesex county jail at East Cambridge. Three officers of the Old Colony Foreign Exchange Company were arrested, taken into the municipal court and held in \$50,000 bonds each on a technical charge of larceny of \$500, from persons unknown. In default of bonds they spent the night in the Charles street jail. They are Charles Brightwell, president and treasurer of the concern; Raymond Meyers, office manager, and Fred Meyers, sales agent. All three pleaded not guilty.

That the activities of this company might have rivaled in extent the dealings of Ponzi's securities exchange company was intimated by Albert Hurwitz, assistant district attorney of Suffolk county, when he told the court that the amount involved in its transactions probably would be shown to be hundreds of thousands of dollars. It was upon this representation that he asked that the bonds be placed at the high figure. The three men will be given a hearing August 25.

DISCUSSION BY CABINET.

London, Aug. 13.—Should the report, printed by The Freeman's Journal of Dublin, that the government has decided to adopt a dominion solution of the Irish problem prove correct, it will not cause much surprise here.

STRIKING LONGSHOREMEN AGREE TO ARBITRATION

New York, Aug. 13.—Coastwise longshoremen, who have been on strike here since March 12, voted at a mass meeting tonight to go back to work Monday morning, providing the steamship owners get rid of the strike breakers they have employed. They agreed to submit their demands, including a wage increase of 15 cents an hour, to arbitration.

SENATE OF TENNESSEE PASSES WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 13.—The Tennessee senate today adopted the resolution providing for ratification of the federal suffrage amendment by a large majority.

PROHIBITION TAKES JOY OUT OF CAMPAIGNING

Washington, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Prohibition has taken the joy out of campaigning, political orators returned to Washington following primary battles declared.

WIRE NETTING BRINGS DEATH TO ST. JOHN BOY

St. John, Aug. 13.—One boy was killed and three others knocked unconscious tonight by coming in contact with a wire netting that had short circuited with feed wires carrying about 700 volts. The accident occurred at Queen square, West St. John, where the wire netting had been placed by the city to protect onlookers from being struck by baseballs during games.

PREMIER MEIGHEN IMPRESSED WITH HARBOR PROGRESS

Had No Adequate Conception of What Was Under Way in Toronto.

ROUND OF VISITS

Hon. Arthur Meighen spent yesterday in Toronto, this being his first visit to the Queen City since he assumed the position of prime minister. It was more the nature of a friendly call and there was no real political complexion in any of the events arranged on his behalf. The prime minister was once a law student at Osgeoope Hall and incidentally was contemporaneous there with Mayor Church, so that Toronto played no inconspicuous part in molding his career. He received many early associations formed there. Mr. Meighen was anxious to see the vast improvements made in Toronto harbor and with these he was to put it mildly, completely staggered. He had no idea of the gigantic scale upon which this great public utility had been changed. He saw now and the information will doubtless be of immense value to him whenever Toronto harbor matters and expenditures here are discussed at Ottawa. The whole day must have been as pleasant as it was profitable to him, winding up as it did with a garden tour, too, being of a purely non-political character.

The premier was not altogether "up" when his train arrived at the Union Station at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, but he was not long in putting on the finishing touches. When he stepped on the platform he was greeted by Mayor Church and Mr. Sheard, M.P. Mrs. Meighen, together with his father and mother, accompanied the premier. The elder Mrs. Meighen, who is a well-known and concerned lest her distinguished son should work too hard and it matters had been left entirely to her it would have been here that such an unpardonable error cannot seriously affect the fate of the city. This, apparently, also is the view of the Polish government, which is reported to be considering moving to Posen if it is satisfied there is no chance of the soviet forces suspending hostilities at any early date.

HEAVY THEFT OF CIGARETS CHARGED

Two C. P. R. Employees, Taxi Driver and Merchant Assisted.

Two C. P. R. employees, a taxi driver and a merchant were arrested yesterday by Detective Serst, Levitt on charges of stealing and receiving about 12,000 worth of cigars belonging to the C.P.R. The police were notified of the theft on Thursday with the result that after an hour's intensive investigation Detective Levitt, assisted by Detective Sergeants Mitchell and Kostler and Detective Hicks, arrested Fred J. Kerr, a yardman, and W. T. Harkness, a yard foreman, for alleged theft, and Sam Weintraub a taxi driver, for removing the stolen goods, and H. G. Campbell, a college street merchant, for receiving.

SCORES X-RAY BLOUSES AND COBWEB STOCKINGS

Belmont, Man., Aug. 13.—In Winnipeg one cannot tell on a Sunday whether the crowds, with their X-ray blouses and cobweb stockings are going to church, to a social opera, or a midnight ball, declares W. J. Bartley, general secretary of the Manitoba Social Hygiene Association. He strongly denounced the present-day fashions and the modern dances.

STEAL SILVER FOX FURS FROM HON. J. L. PERRON

Montreal, Aug. 13.—Silver fox furs, fur coats and muffs, to the value of between \$3,000 and \$5,000, were stolen from 236 P. rue avenue west, the home of the Hon. J. L. Perron, minister of the army and navy, in the Taschereau government, during Wednesday night.

RUSSIAN ROYAL JEWELS INTERCEPTED IN U. S.

Evidence in Deportation Proceedings Against Martens, Self-Styled Soviet Ambassador to U. S., Shows That Diamonds Addressed to Him From Russia Are in Possession of Customs Officials.

Washington, Aug. 13.—More than 100 diamonds, supposed to have been a part of the famous jewels of the Russian royal family, and addressed to "Comrade Martens," have been intercepted by customs officials while en route from New York to Russia in the United States, according to evidence introduced at the deportation proceedings against Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, self-styled soviet ambassador to this country.

Details of a regularly established courier service between Bolshevik agents in Sweden, with soviet representatives in New York, by which large quantities of jewels have been transported for six months past, also has been introduced in the testimony by the government. It became known today at the department of justice.

The diamonds, numbering 103 in all, were seized July 22 by the customs authorities in Sweden, from a Swedish sailor, Neil Jacobson, who attracted suspicion as he was leaving the Swedish steamer Stockholm. The sailor also was said to have had in his possession a package containing a large amount of Communist literature, including an "appeal" of the executive committee of the third international at Moscow to the I. W. W.

REDS ARE CLOSING IN NOW WITHIN 20 MILES OF POLISH CAPITAL

Little Doubt That Warsaw Will Fall Before Peace Negotiations Are Concluded—One Hundred Thousand Citizens Have Pledged Themselves to Defend Capital to the Last Breath—Government May Move to Posen.

Paris, Aug. 13.—Closing in upon Warsaw from the north, east and southeast, the Bolshevik hosts are now within twenty miles of the capital, and little doubt is felt here that they will be in the city before the peace negotiations are concluded.

General Haller's army, holding positions along the Vistula, Narow and Bug Rivers, in a country offering few natural advantages for defense, is being relentlessly pushed toward the capital by the Bolsheviks, who are speeding up their advance.

The northern Kiev, according to the latest news reaching Paris, tonight had passed Pultusk and were marching southward on the capital down the valley of the Narow. Another column was advancing between the Narow and the Bug, while south of the Bug the enemy had reached and passed the line running from Tuzacz through Pihai, Dobry, Kaluzyn, Teglhoff and Latowich to Zelechoff. Further south the enemy had succeeded in forcing a passage of the Bug and was moving on Lublin.

The Bolshevik cavalry along the Prussian frontier has made another bound forward and is now 40 miles beyond Mlawka, almost half the way to Thorn.

In other words, the Reds are advancing all along the line, except in the vicinity of Lublin.

Citizens of Warsaw, to the number of 100,000, have pledged themselves to defend the capital to the last breath. But it is felt here that with an unorganized effort cannot seriously affect the fate of the city. This, apparently, also is the view of the Polish government, which is reported to be considering moving to Posen if it is satisfied there is no chance of the soviet forces suspending hostilities at any early date.

DEFENCE OF HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT: ROUSES KINGSTON LEGISLATOR TO ACTION.

Kingston, Ont., Aug. 13.—(By Canadian Press)—Brig. Gen. A. E. Ross, M.L.A. for Kingston, who recently demanded investigations into conditions at Portsmouth Penitentiary, in a letter to the Kingston press tomorrow takes exception to reported statements of Brig. Gen. W. S. Hughes, superintendent of penitentiaries, and Dr. W. G. Anglin, surgeon of Portsmouth Penitentiary, to the effect that the hospital conditions in the latter institution are satisfactory, and asks why Gibson, the Toronto convict, who was released in the last stages of tuberculosis and who lived only a short time after given his freedom, was placed in the corridor of the prison hospital, and why a patient was taken to an outside hospital for a medium operation.

General Ross appends a report written by Dr. J. Kane in March last while he was temporary surgeon, previous to the appointment of Dr. Anglin, to the effect that under existing conditions it is impossible for the sick to receive the minimum of care which present-day medical standards require. General Ross admits that some changes have recently been made in the hospital, but holds that they do not constitute a satisfactory hospital.

TERMS BY BRITAIN FOR RECOGNITION

Soviet Government Said to Accept Them as Basis for Peace Negotiations.

Paris, Aug. 13.—Conditions which Great Britain has stipulated as a basis for recognition of the Russian soviet government are given in a Moscow despatch received here. Cessation of hostilities is said to be the first condition, while the others are repatriation of prisoners, an understanding concerning reparations for damages to property of private citizens, and acceptance by Great Britain of the Russian conditions concerning resumption of commercial relations between the two countries.

NOT LIKELY TO ACCEPT COMMAND OF POLISH ARMY

Paris, Aug. 13.—Belief that General Weygand of the French army will not accept the offer made to him by the Polish council of national defense to take supreme command of the Polish forces is expressed in an announcement printed by The Temps today.

The general, who is in Warsaw as a member of the French mission for peace negotiations between Russia and Great Britain.

SATURDAY'S SPECIALS AT DINEEN'S, 140 YONGE ST.

Today all straws and panamas will be sold at half-price and under. \$8 straws for \$4, other straws \$2.50, \$5 and \$6 panamas for \$2.50, \$10 and \$12 panamas for \$4.50. Men's soft felt hats \$2.95, \$4.95 and \$5.95. Special sale of rain coats for men, some extra-ordinary values, \$10.50, \$12.50, \$13.75 and up to the very finest quality of imported gabareens and whipcoats at \$55 and \$40. Come in early. Dineen's store closes at 6.

PLAN GREAT CHAIN OF WIRELESS STATIONS FOR BRITISH EMPIRE

To Be Free of Private Monopoly and Possible Alien Interference.

OTTAWA IS NOTIFIED

Ottawa, Aug. 13.—(Can. Press)—An empire chain of wireless stations, free from private monopoly and possible alien interference, is the prospect held out by an imperial wireless telegraph committee, headed by Sir Henry Norman, according to exchanges just received here from the old country. The report of the committee states that by the adoption of a plan it puts forward a series of connections can be established and maintained at an initial annual cost of not more than one hundred thousand pounds.

This sum, the report goes on to state, would secure a system vital to the strategic and commercial necessities of the empire.

Main Recommendations.

The main recommendations are: That a scheme of imperial wireless communication be established connecting the communities of the empire by a series of steps of about 2,000 miles each; That the wireless system employed be that involving the generation of radio-frequency energy by thermionic valves; That the service of communication be between London and Cairo by Poulson area, shortly to be put in operation by the post office, be the first link in the chain of communication with the British communities in Africa, and that this station near Nairobi, and by the alteration of the ex-German station at Windhoek, to a valve station to complete the connection with the Union of South Africa.

To Connect With India.

That for communication with India, the far east and Australia, valve stations be erected in England, near Cairo, at Poona, other Indian stations, Singapore, Hong Kong, and Perth or Port Darwin, in Australia.

This similar communication be established with Canada, subject to the decision of the Imperial and Canadian governments.

The scheme be governed by a wireless commission of about four members, and that its execution be entrusted to the engineering department of the post office and the corresponding dominion and Indian authorities.

Over \$1,000,000.

The committee claims that an imperial wireless scheme established in this manner would afford a vast commercial and economic communication for commercial, social and press purposes throughout the empire, and that it would meet essential imperial strategic requirements. The total estimated annual traffic for the whole service would be about 600,000 words, producing a revenue of \$22,000,000, of which \$20,000,000 would be receivable by the imperial government.

NOW FACES CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER

Elevator Operator Arrested Following Fatal Accident to Young Girl.

John Johnson, 464 Galley avenue, was arrested yesterday on a charge of manslaughter and allowed out on bail of \$2,000. Johnson is the operator of the elevator in which Marie E. Bennett, 16 years old, of 24 Baldwin street, was killed on July 23. The jury at the inquest brought in a verdict charging Johnson with criminal negligence and manslaughter.

FEDERAL NOMINATION FOR MAYOR MACBRIDE

Brantford, Ont., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the Independent Labor party, held tonight, the nomination of the party for the federal riding of Brantford was tendered to Mayor MacBride, M.L.A. The nomination was accepted by him, subject to ratification by a general meeting of the party to be held in September.

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