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GOOD PROGRESS MADE IN MARITIME CASE

SYMPATHY OF UPPER CANADA IS INCREASED

Simms Makes Encouraging Report to Trade Board Council

RATE CASE READY

Envoys of Three Provinces Satisfied With Brief For Rail Board

THE business men of Central Canada are keenly interested in the Maritime movement and very sympathetic to the claims of these provinces for a share of the Canadian overseas traffic...

One of the leading Maritime lawyers has been secured to act for the governments when the case is before the Board of Railway Commissioners...

SLANDERS NAMED

F. Maclure Scandlers was appointed the representative of the board on the council of the Maritime Board of Trade...

ONLY 2 OUT OF 21 MINERS ARE ALIVE

Three Bodies Recovered; Hopes For Safety of 16 Men Abandoned

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 4.—Abandoning hope that any of the 16 miners unaccounted for after an explosion in the Horning mine late yesterday, were alive, rescue workers early today sealed up the entry where they were entombed...

TWO ESCAPE

Two escaped alive and three bodies have been recovered. It was indicated that the section would remain sealed for at least 24 hours, during which it was expected that the fire would go out for lack of air.

MARITIMES TO GET 100 ENGLISH BOYS

Will Be Placed on Farms in Nova Brunswick and Nova Scotia

MONCTON, Feb. 4.—Adjutant Parsons, in charge of the Salvation Army Receiving Home for Boys here, leaves today for Brookfield, N. S., on a tour of inspection of farms in that vicinity.

Engagement Announced On Ocean As Storm Tosses Ship

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—When C. D. Sheering arrived here yesterday after a hurried trip from Halifax to Montreal and thence to New York, a romance of some years standing between a wealthy South African, prominent in Canadian business circles, and Miss Rene Porter, who has been starring in a London musical comedy, was revealed.

Eight Lives Lost As Gale Drifts Snow Along Whole Atlantic Seaboard

Wires and Bomb Fuse Found At Scene of Blast Which Caused Wreck of Ogdensburg City Hall

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Feb. 4.—An examination yesterday of the boiler room in the city hall, which was destroyed by an explosion and fire three weeks ago, with an estimated loss of \$800,000, disclosed wires and the fuse of a bomb, city officials said. First reports of the blast indicated that the boiler had exploded.

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U. S. Temperance Body Out For Volstead Act Modification

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BRITAIN'S BIRTH RATE IS LOWEST IN WORLD

Falls From 24.1 a Thousand Population in 1913 to 18.3 Last Year—Size of Family Decreased One-Quarter in Same Period.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—Britain has the lowest birth rate in the world, according to figures just published. Even the French low record in being passed, and there has been a 25 per cent reduction in the size of families recently.

'Rudy' Denies His Betrothal To Pola Negri

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Feb. 4.—Rudolph Valentino, film actor, yesterday branded as "ridiculous" a report that he is to marry Pola Negri, movie actress. Valentino was traveling through here to California.

LOYD GEORGE IS LOSING PRESTIGE

Position as Liberal Leader Now Considered as Being Precarious

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The split in the Liberal party here is widening. Eleven radicals have put down amendments to the King's speech, irrespective of the parties' official leadership of the party. It is unlikely that these amendments will be debated, owing to lack of time but they are on record as protests.

WANT PLEBISCITE

New South Wales Members Oppose Abolition of Legislative Council

SYDNEY, Australia, Feb. 4.—Various members of the New South Wales parliament are preparing a memorial for submission to Lieut. Col. L. C. Amery, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs in the event of the abolition of the legislative council, urging that the King be advised to withhold assent to the measure until the question is submitted to the electors.

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WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 4.—Opposition to the attorney general's bill to regulate harness racing and race tracks in Manitoba, developed along somewhat unexpected lines, when the measure was brought forward for second reading in the provincial legislature yesterday.

TO PRIVY COUNCIL

MAJOR THE HON. JOSEPH COATES, Prime Minister of the Dominion of New Zealand, who has been appointed a Privy Councillor.

C. P. DENIES REPORT OF FLORIDA SERVICE

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NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Denial is made here by the representative of the Canadian Pacific Railway of a report which stated that the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company, in substantial violation of the law, is operating a service between New York and Florida.

LARGEST AIRCRAFT IN WORLD BUILDING

Huge Seaplanes, One 15 Tons, Being Assembled For British Authorities

LONDON, Feb. 4.—Huge seaplanes are in course of construction for the British authorities, and the largest aircraft in the world, a biplane having 2,100 horsepower, is being built at the Royal Aircraft Establishment at Farnborough.

MANY BID GOOD-BYE TO MONCTON PASTOR

Rev. Dr. J. Austen Huntley Leaves For Hamilton, Ont.

MONCTON, Feb. 3.—Rev. Dr. J. Austen Huntley, for three years past, of the First Baptist church here, left yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Huntley and their daughter, for Hamilton, Ont., where Dr. Huntley will take over the pastorate of the James street Baptist church.

THOMAS AXTELL IS PUT UNDER ARREST

Charged With Breaking Into Frederick Hamm's House at Grand Bay

Thomas Axtell, 24, of Saint John, was arrested this morning at Grand Bay on a charge of breaking into a house owned by Frederick Hamm, 47, of the upper end of Grand Bay and adjoining the C. P. Railway tracks.

Melbourne Laborites Attack Oil Firms

SYDNEY, Australia, Feb. 4.—In the Melbourne House of Representatives, the Laborites have attacked the Anglo-American Oil Companies with regard to an order for 1,750 kerosene pumps abroad instead of having them bought in Australia.

THREE KIDDIES LOSE LIVES IN MONTREAL FIRE

Mother and Father Escape Flames With Fourth Child

40-MINUTE FIGHT

Infant Dies Few Minutes After Being Carried From Burning Home

MONTREAL, Feb. 4.—Three children lost their lives in a fire which early this morning badly damaged the home of Alphonse Verdon, 1000 St. Louis street.

COMMANDER FRANCO RESUMES FLIGHT

Spanish Airman Leaves Pernambuco For Buenos Aires; 12 Hour Trip

PERNAMBUCO, Brazil, Feb. 4.—Commander Ramon Franco pilot of the Spanish seaplane Plus Ultra, which has linked Spain by air with South America, left here at 5:15 o'clock this morning for Rio Janeiro.

NO APPOINTMENTS TO PRIVY COUNCIL

Indian Assembly Votes 50 to 40 Against Naming Two Proposed Members

DELHI, India, Feb. 4.—Despite an appeal by Sir Alexander Muddiman, Home member of the executive council of the assembly, to "settle this golden opportunity" of conferring benefits on Indian litigants by sanctioning the appointment of two persons experienced in Indian law and practice to the judicial committee of the Privy Council, the assembly yesterday rejected the motion to provide for the appointments by 50 votes to 40.

FEAR FOR ACTORS

Universal Co. to Send Airplanes in Search of Denny and Others

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—The Universal Film Co. has chartered two airplanes to leave in search of Reginald Denny, film actor, and two other men, who left San Diego yesterday in a 54-foot yawl, the Barbaree, for a fishing trip to Ensenada, Lower California.

Russia Seeks Establishment of Air Line, London To Tokio

MOSCOW, Feb. 4.—Negotiations are in progress between the Soviet government and the Aero-Lloyd Air Transport Company of Germany for the establishment of an airplane service between London and Tokio by way of Russia. The proposed route is through Berlin to Moscow; thence to Irkutsk, Siberia, and Peking, China; thence to Dairen on the Liaotung peninsula in about half that time.

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PACIFIC ALSO IS LASHED BY SEVERE STORM

Ships Scurry For Safety Along Both Coasts

SHIP IN DISTRESS

Manchester Producer Breaks Rudder Post; German Away to Her Aid

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The entire North and Central Atlantic seaboard is blanketed in snow today, as the result of a storm which has swept from Northeast Georgia to Maine, on the wings of a heavy gale.

HEAVY SNOWFALL

Between 8,000 and 10,000 men were employed in New York City this morning clearing the streets of the snow.

Irish Courts Bill Gets Second Reading

DUBLIN, Feb. 4.—The bill which was introduced in the Dail on January 27, Minister of Justice, Vice President of the Dail, providing that the decision of the Irish courts shall be absolutely final, without reference to the Privy Council, London, was given second reading today.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS — The depression which was centered in Georgia yesterday has moved northeastward with increasing intensity and is now a severe storm centered near Nantucket. Light snow has fallen in Southern Ontario and a snowstorm is now settling in the Maritimes.

Clearing: Colder.

NEW ENGLAND — Generally fair, colder, in the east portion tonight. Friday, fair, north and northwest gales, diminishing tonight.

TEMPERATURES

TORONTO, Feb. 4.—Temperatures: Lowest 24. Highest during night, 44.

Victoria 46, Montreal 44, Winnipeg 44, Toronto 44, St. John 44, Halifax 44, New York 44.

Below zero.