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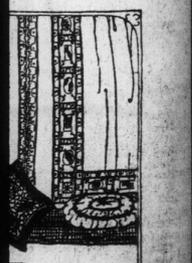
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REPORT A QUAKE.

Grey's Letter Expected to Hurry U.S. Ratification of Treaty Howard Ferguson Announces Tory Convention in Early Summer

CHURCH MERGER PLANS OUTLINED; RETAIN AUTONOMY

Proposal to Amalgamate 22
Protestant Church Bodies in
U.S. Under One Council.

A UNITED CHURCH

New York, Feb. 2.—An outline of the plan for a merger of approximately 22 evangelical Protestant church bodies, under the name of the United Church of Christ in America, which is to be acted upon by the Inter-Church Council on Organic Union at a three-day conference beginning in Philadelphia tomorrow, was made public here today at the headquarters of the Presbyterian church, the originators of the movement.

The plan approved by an interim committee of 50 Protestant clergymen of various denominations appointed last December carries a preamble declaring faith in God and other fundamentals of Christianity as "a common heritage of the evangelical churches." It provides (1) complete autonomy in purely denominational affairs; (2) formation of a council, a representative body, meeting biennially, through which the united church will act; (3) representation to be on the basis of two ministers and two laymen for the first 100,000 communicants, and two ministers and two laymen for each additional 200,000, or major fraction thereof; (4) that constituent churches, except as limited by the plan, "shall continue the exercise of their several powers and functions as the same exist under the denominational constitution"; (5) that the council shall harmonize and unify the work of the churches, including missionary activities, evangelism, social service and religious education.

Real Ecumenical Entity.
It is pointed out that the recommendations of the interim committee do not stop at a movement for creating "a real ecumenical entity, with ecclesiastical powers, holding and administering ecclesiastical property and funds of such united church." This, it is said, may require a trying-out period. "After the plan shall have been adopted, the constituent churches will be asked to give up their separate legal entities and to become members of the new church, which will be a real ecumenical entity, with ecclesiastical powers, holding and administering ecclesiastical property and funds of such united church." (Continued on Page 6, Column 3).

TO DECIDE DISPOSAL OF GERMAN BONDS

Forty Million Dollars' Worth
Held in Canada—Before
Cabinet This Week.

Ottawa, Feb. 2.—(Special).—What disposition shall be made of \$40,000,000 worth of German property and debts owing to Germany held in Canada is a question that the cabinet will decide this week. Under a clause in the peace treaty the allied nations reserved the right to dispose of all such debts and property, using the proceeds to pay damages sustained by persons of allied countries who held property of Germany and confiscated by the German government, or for the meeting of claims against Germany, which are being dealt with by the reparations committee in London.

FARMERS OF 'EBEC IN CONVENTION TODAY

Quebec, Feb. 2.—With the gravest troubles that ever faced the farmer to solve, the big convention of all agricultural, poultry breeders and other rural societies will open here tomorrow, gathering no less than half a thousand representatives of all classes of farm workers in Quebec province. The program of the convention is unusually heavy.

SWISS WATCH INDUSTRY THREATENED WITH RUIN

Berne, Feb. 2.—Immediate government intervention is necessary to save the Swiss clock and watch industry from "inevitable catastrophe," arising from the unfavorable exchange situation, according to addresses made before the Swiss commerce and industry congress which closed its sessions here Saturday.

A memorandum for firms in a critical position owing to exchange difficulties was proposed, and resolutions were adopted asking the federal council to propose an international conference to reach an understanding on the exchange question.

Flu and Pneumonia Serum Found by Pasteur Institute

Special Cable to Toronto World.
BY C. F. BERTILLI.

Paris, Feb. 2.—The only sure cure of the flu exists at the famous Pasteur Institute, where doctors are now perfecting a vaccine called "type B," which is expected to rid the world of the influenza epidemics.

CONSERVATIVES DECIDE TO HOLD CONVENTION IN EARLY SUMMER

Will Choose New Leader and
Reorganize Party Against
Free Trade Policy of
Farmers, Says Hon. Howard Ferguson.

The Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, the present leader of the Ontario Conservative party, was the chief speaker last evening at a fairly well attended meeting called by Ward 4 Liberal-Conservative Association in Alhambra Hall, Spadina avenue. Mr. Ferguson used the occasion to open a campaign for the reconstruction of the Conservative party and also to initiate a movement against free trade.

OUSTING SULTAN WOULD STIR INDIA

Indian Privy Councillor Says
It Would Arouse the Bitter-
est Resentment.

London, Feb. 2.—Temporal authority is essential to the Sultan of Turkey, who should be allowed to remain Constantinoople as "caliph of the faithful," according to a statement made by the Right Hon. Emir Ali, Indian privy councillor, who has for the last 40 years filled many important offices in Bengal.

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Halifax, Feb. 2.—The seismograph at Dalhousie University recorded an earthquake this morning. The shock lasted one hour and 56 minutes.

DOHERTY UNOPPOSED BY THE LIBERALS OF EAST KENT RIDING

Convention, by Close Vote,
Decides Against Putting
Man in Field.

DEWART FOR A CONTEST

Special to The World.

Thamesville, Ont., Feb. 2.—The Grit ground hog came out here today, saw his shadow and decided there is nothing doing; in other words, after H. H. Dewart, Liberal member, had denounced Manning Doherty as a member of one of the worst gangs of war profiteers we have had in Canada during the war, the East Kent Liberal Association, decided by almost a tie vote—the chairman called it, 34 to 32—not to nominate a candidate.

DUMP AT GALLIOLI RAIDED BY TURKS

London, Feb. 2.—News has reached London that the British Consular dump at Gallipoli, composed of Turkish booty, has been raided, supposedly by Nationalists. Eighty thousand rifles, half a million rounds of ammunition and thirty-three machine guns were removed, probably to the Asiatic side.

GEO. COPPEN FACES CHARGE OF MURDER WITHOUT INTEREST

Detectives Produce Guesome
Evidences Surrounding the
Death of Burnt Wife.

A COOL SPECTATOR

George Coppen, charged with the murder of his wife, Fannie Maud Coppen, at 573 Merton street on November 28 last, was arraigned before Mr. Justice Latchford and a jury in the assize court yesterday.

BORDEN ARRIVES IN ENGLAND TODAY

Montreal, Feb. 2.—(Canadian Press).—"Sir Robert Borden will arrive at Portsmouth, England, tomorrow morning on the battleship New Zealand, on which he is with Admiral Lord Jellicoe, and will land there for a visit in England. The prime minister is stated to be in better health and to have enjoyed his voyage.

RARE VINTAGES SOLD AT FAMINE PRICES

Paris, Feb. 2.—Connoisseurs of wines gathered in force at the Hotel Drouot on Friday, when 2400 bottles of rare vintages and liqueurs, the property of the late Prince Orloff, were auctioned. The sale, which lasted but four hours, netted 75,000 francs, or an average of more than 31 francs per bottle. The highest price paid was 300 francs apiece for ten bottles of brandy, dated 1870 and 1885.

May Reduce Ontario's Membership In Federal House After Next Census

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 2.—(By Canadian Press).—If Quebec province continues to gain on Ontario in the matter of population, it is shown to be doing so, the bureau of statistics estimate of the population of the sister provinces to March 31, 1919, there will be a reduction in the number of members of the federal house from Ontario after another census.

GREY'S LETTER MAY PUT FACTS IN A NEW LIGHT ON PACT RESERVATIONS

British Press Comment on
British and U. S. Relations
—Endorse His Appeal for
Fair Consideration of the
American Viewpoint.

London, Feb. 2.—The relations between Great Britain and the United States fill a large space in the London morning papers, several of which print long despatches from their American correspondents and comment thereon, with references to the letters of Viscount Grey and Secretary Glass.

MEALS AVERT HOSPITAL STRIKE

Vienna, Feb. 3.—A strike of the staffs in the various hospitals in Vienna today was averted by the authorities promising to furnish the personnel with meals. Physicians employed by the health insurance companies struck today for higher fees, their action being part of the general agitation for higher compensation by members of the medical profession.

SENATE LEADERS WILL REDISCUSS TREATY ISSUE

Article Ten and Monroe Doc-
trine Still Regarded as
Danger Points.

EARL GREY'S LETTER

Washington, Feb. 2.—Republican and Democrat leaders in the senate joined issue today to bring the peace treaty back into the open senate early next week. The democratic plan was to reopen the treaty debate a week from tomorrow, but Senator Lodge insisted that off by giving notice that he would bring it up a week from today. The Democrats accepted the earlier date.

ITALIAN AGITATOR ARRESTED AT LEGHORN

Rome, Feb. 2.—Enrico Malatesta, anarchist member of the chamber of deputies, has been arrested at Leghorn, it was announced today. Malatesta has advocated nation-wide violence. During a meeting at Florence on January 27, he urged his audience to attack a party of carabinieri. The latter fired on the demonstrators, wounding a score of them.

FLU IN BUDAPEST.

Budapest, Feb. 2.—All the schools in Budapest have been closed owing to the epidemic of influenza.

PREPARING FOR THE DANCE.

The first break in the long steady winter came yesterday with a rising temperature, melting streets and, alongside of cuttings made for roads and railways where springs abound, water could be seen oozing out to seek the creeks and rivers. Clouds and fog darkened a sun that was working on the snow and ice even if it could not be seen.

PURCHASE SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST IN CANADA CAR COMPANY

New York, Feb. 2.—W. E. Woodin, president of the American Car and Foundry Company, announced tonight that his company has purchased a substantial interest in the Canadian Car and Foundry Company and that he had been elected chairman of the executive committee of the company.

THE EXCHANGE SITUATION.

British pound (\$4.86), \$3.44, a discount of 32 per cent.
Canadian dollar in New York, 87 1/2, a discount of 12 1/2 per cent.

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FINANCIERS GLOOMY

New York, Feb. 2.—New low records for British, French, Belgian, Italian and Danish exchange were established in the local market today on a resumption of recent pressure to sell. The pound sterling, at \$3.43 1/2, was 4 1/2% under its previous minimum, or a discount of about 32 per cent. from the normal of \$4.86 1/2.

BRITISH LABOR AGAINST SCHEME

Delegation to Ireland Finds That
Castle Rule is Bitterly
Opposed.

DEMANDS IRRECONCILABLE

London, Feb. 2.—There is good reason to believe that the recent trip of the British Labor party's deputation to Ireland will not prove the means of making friends among the Labor members of parliament for the government's Irish scheme to be elaborated at the next session of parliament. An indication of this is found in the statement circulated at the headquarters of the Labor party, signed by "One of the Delegates," in which observations and impressions of the Irish trip are recounted.

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