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WOMAN DEAD AT 114
Dublin, June 7.—Mrs. Rock, believed to be the oldest woman in Europe—she was 114—died at Bracknagh, near Ballinacree, County Roscommon, today. She spent all her life in that county and never had a serious illness.

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British Government Takes Hand In The Traffic Strike

PROSECUTION ON SUNDAY GASES

MACDONALD NAMES COMMITTEE WITH EXTENSIVE POWERS

Commissioned to "Take Any Necessary Steps" to Bring Trouble to End. PRESS BACKS HIM

Declaration of War Against "Small Communist Inspired Contingent."

BY LLOYD ALLEN (United Press Staff Cor.) London, June 7.—The British Labor Government today intervened in the "Red" strike of power house workers which yesterday put most of London's great network of subway systems out of commission.

A plenary strike committee to deal with the revolt of the "rank and file" leaders who had opposed the walkout was created. The committee was empowered by Premier MacDonald to "take any necessary steps."

Secretary Predicts Spread Leonard Akhurst, secretary of the unofficial strike committee, announced this morning that the strike was more successful than ever and might be expected to spread to other cities today.

A three day Whit Sunday holiday started today and for that reason passenger traffic in the subway was lighter and the metropolis suffered less than on Friday.

The entire British press supports the Government's declaration of war against the "small, Communist inspired contingent responsible for the strike."

The Daily Herald, an exception, is carefully neutral. "The yarn that Communists are agitating the men on is a mere invention," the Labor organ says. "The men are badly paid and, rightly or wrongly, think their claims for better payment have been neglected."

However, they have taken the wrong way to have their grievances redressed. They struck against the orders of the union leaders, and walked out after demanding increases of 10 shillings a week with a 23 minimum week and a week's annual vacation with pay.

NAMES WOMAN FOR VICE PRESIDENT Prohibition Party Nominates H. F. Faris, a Banker of Missouri For Presidency.

Columbus, Ohio, June 7.—The prohibition party adopted its platform and nominated a national ticket yesterday.

Nominations were: For the president—H. F. Faris, Clinton, Missouri, banker; for vice-president, Miss Marie C. Brehm, temperance worker of Long Beach, Calif.

Enlists 12 Times In Six Months

New York, June 7.—Every army recruiting officer in the United States has been warned to look out for William Edward Moore, who within six months has enlisted twelve times under aliases. Moore has taken the oath of enlistment in six states.

Army officials here admit they are puzzled. At the most all Moore could gain is the price of a night's lodging, one meal and possibly transportation from one place in a corps area to another. Major B. M. Bailey, a staff officer at Governor Moore's headquarters, said that Moore had laid himself open to court-martial on two charges: fraudulent enlistment and desertion. Conviction on either of these charges carries a penalty of two years' imprisonment.

The only solution I can offer," Major Bailey said, "is that the man has a mania for enlistment." Moore was first shown on army records as enlisting at Fort Slocum, N. Y., on Nov. 27, 1917. Since then he has used many names to elude the watchfulness of the recruiting officers, but his identity has become known by comparison of the fingerprint records.

WILL NOT SEEK TO DEFEAT JUSTICE

Fathers of Leopold and Loeb Only Ask Investigation Under The Law.

Chicago, June 7.—Their millions will not be used to save Nathan Leopold, Jr. and Richard Loeb, confessed slayers of Robert Franks, from the gallows, a joint statement issued last night by the fathers of the accused youths, both Chicago millionaires, said.

"Only such defence as that to which every human being is entitled is provided for their sons," the statement said. "Assuming the facts in this case are substantially as published, then the only proceeding they favor is a simple, solemn investigation under the law, touching the mental responsibility of their accused sons."

Mrs. Heber Vroom Is a Councillor

Toronto, June 7.—The result of the ballot for the election of councillors of the L. O. D. E. for the various provinces was announced at yesterday's sessions as follows: New Brunswick, Mrs. Heber Vroom, Rotheray; Nova Scotia, Mrs. G. Faulkner, Halifax; Prince Edward Island, Mrs. J. E. B. McCready, Charlottetown.

Appeal in N. B. Case Dismissed

Ottawa, June 7.—Judgments in several minor cases were rendered by the Supreme Court of Canada yesterday.

In the Maritime Provinces list the appeal of the New Brunswick and Canadian Railway vs. The New Brunswick Railway Company was dismissed with costs, acting Chief Justice Ilderton dissenting.

MILLERAND IS SEEKING PREMIER IN LEFT GROUP

Reported Ready to Take Drastic Action to End Crisis in France. A BRITISH VIEW

Hamilton Fyfe Writes That Premier MacDonald Helped Out Poincare.

By WEBB MILLER (United Press Staff Correspondent.) Paris, June 7.—Prepared to take drastic action to end the ministerial crisis, President Millerand today continued his consultations with prominent French politicians, trying to find among them some one to be Premier.

Left hold undisputed majority in the Chamber of Deputies, Millerand is seeking a Premier from that group. But the Socialists and many other deputies of the Left are on record as demanding his resignation and none of their number can accept the premiership with Millerand in office. It is impracticable for him to offer office to a statesman of the Right, because such a government could be defeated on the first vote in the chamber.

Credits MacDonald. By HAMILTON FYFE (United Press Staff Correspondent.) Editor of London "Daily Herald." (Copyright 1924, by United Press.) London, June 7.—When we do the right thing, when we act sensibly, when we make a genuine effort to be fair and to look at our disputes "from the other fellow's point of view," the reward often comes to us in an unexpected shape.

That is what has happened to the Prime Minister, Ramsay MacDonald. There is no doubt as to the result of the French general election is in great measure due to Mr. MacDonald's wise change of policy towards M. Poincare. The most that this policy seemed likely to do was to induce in that stiff lawyer-like person a more reasonable frame of mind. But it has done far more than that. It has swept him away.

Lord Curzon had stayed in office as Foreign Minister, there is little doubt that the French nation would have voted for M. Poincare in settlement. If Mr. MacDonald had continued Lord Curzon's policy of veiled opposition and petty annoyances, the French would have kept their backs up. MacDonald's method—frank courtesy, coupled with a clear and friendly statement of the facts—put large numbers of the French people in possession of those facts for the first time.

They paid attention to them because they were put forward so politely, without any wish to "score," and they came to the conclusion that the facts proved M. Poincare's policy to have been a melancholy failure.

It was the very friendliness of MacDonald's letters which made them convincing. Their logic would have availed nothing if their tone had been acrimonious. By being "suave in manner" and "firm as to matters," according to the advice of the Latin proverb, MacDonald did more, we fancy, to persuade the French to change their minds about M. Poincare than all the denunciations of him by his political opponents.

This is the first striking justification of the line the Prime Minister has pursued. The chief obstacle to a repatriation settlement is out of the way. There is now every hope that Labor's foreign policy will be crowned with brilliant and enduring success.

Maritime Newspaper Men On Executive

Vancouver, B. C., June 7.—John M. Imrie of the Edmonton Journal was elected president of the Canadian Daily Newspaper Association yesterday.

Says Unsinkable Ship Is a Myth

London, Jan. 7.—(United Press)—"The unsinkable ship is a myth," said Sir Alan Anderson, presiding over the international conference of world shipping interests in London.

"It is not only a myth," he said, "it is a dangerous myth, for it induces false confidence. A modern ship, properly handled, does not sink unless she hits something harder than water; but if she charges another ship, or rock, or iceberg, she will sink in spite of bulkheads, loadline and deck cargo regulations, and the lives of all on board will be in peril in spite of lifeboats, rats and boats.

"The only absolute safeguard at sea is a vigilant master. Bulkheads and other precautions may and will mitigate disaster, but they are more likely to prove useful if they are wisely, and not extravagantly, framed."

SHOWS NEW STATUS OF THE DOMINION

Canada Now is Negotiating Her Own Treaties Direct With U. S.

(Special to The Times-Star.) Ottawa, June 7.—Before the House adjourned last night the Prime Minister made an interesting statement on the mission of Hon. Ernest Lapointe to Washington in connection with the signing of a treaty relating to rum-running and the smuggling of narcotic drugs. It is noted that this accredits the step taken in connection with the Halibut treaty. Canada is now negotiating her own treaties directly with the United States and is going directly to the King for his signature and approval after they have been signed by Canada and the United States.

It is looked on as evidence of the new status which Canada has attained in the British Empire, first in the halibut treaty and now in this matter. The King, on the advice of his Canadian ministers in a matter in which Canada is primarily concerned, has given full powers to our minister to do all that himself could do in concluding treaties. "The British Government," it is said in official circles, has been splendid in the manner in which it has co-operated promptly and without reserve."

ASKS GOVERNMENT TO PAY DEFICIT

Edmonton, Alta., June 7.—Following discussions between the Government and Premier Greenfield of Alberta, a proposition has been forwarded to Premier McKenzie King that 100,000 tons of Alberta coal for points in Ontario be handled this summer at a freight rate of \$6.50 per ton, the Dominion Government guaranteeing the ways from loss on its movement if this rate proves actually less than operating cost.

WOMAN, 89, FINED IN "STILL" CASE

Quebec, Que., June 7.—"Hootch" knows no age, and yesterday a plea of guilty to a charge of having an illicit still in her possession was made, through her attorney, by Mrs. Hubert Mathieu, a resident of St. Marc des Carriers, who is 89 years of age.

She was unable to appear before the court to face the charge, which had been laid by the federal revenue department. Justice Choquette imposed a fine of \$200 and costs.

MINE EXPLOSION KILLED FIFTEEN IN PENNSYLVANIA

A Score or More Were Injured at the Same Time. RESCUE DIFFICULT

Thousands Besiege Colliery Premises and Guards Keep Them Away.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 7.—Fifteen men are known to be dead and a score or more were injured in the Loomis Colliery of the Glen Alden Coal Company in Hanover township yesterday. Fourteen bodies have been brought to the surface. The explosion occurred in the bottom vein of number four slope, number two shaft, when sparks from a blast are believed to have ignited a heavy pocket of gas. Forty-one men were working in the section affected, and some of these made their way to the foot of the shaft. All were more or less burned. Rescue crews at once entered the workings, but their efforts were hampered by a serious fire and cave-ins.

THE FREE STATE MAY NOT ASSIST

Does Not Agree With Proposals Regarding Dispute With Ulster.

Dublin, June 7.—In connection with the boundary controversy between Ulster and the Free State, Deputy Milroy, in the Dail Eireann, has given notice that he would introduce the following resolution:—"The Dail Eireann expresses dissatisfaction with the course pursued in dealing with Article XII. of the Treaty and calls upon the Executive Council to cease participating in any further negotiations pending the setting up of a Boundary Commission. It further calls upon the Executive Council to fix the limit of debate to which it will assent in consulting the Commission."

At the Ministry of Justice last night it was said that the Government would not be represented on the proposed judicial committee which is to be asked to give an opinion on Article XII. of the Treaty, providing for a commission to delimit the boundary, and that it would not be bound by any decision reached by the committee.

HE IS FISHED OUT

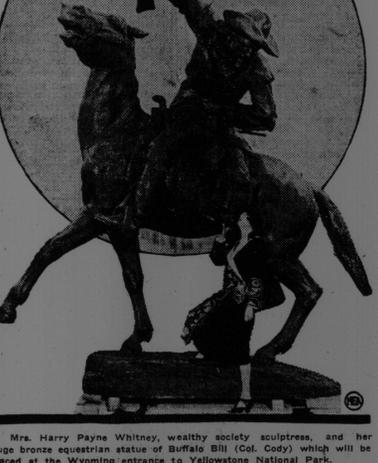
Man Mountain, Tired of Existence, Jumped Into River at New York.

New York, June 7.—Anthony Whitman of New Haven, a miserable mountain of a man, plodded down East 21st street toward the river. He stopped every one he met to announce that nobody loved a fat man. From the last person he stopped he demanded not only sympathy but a cigarette.

Lighting the cigarette he walked on the pier and jumped into the river. Several boys saw him, and one of them, William McDonald, threw him a rope. This evidence of affection so moved the mountainous Whitman that he seized the rope, and McDonald, with the help of Patrolman Karbins, hauled him to the pier. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

Quebec, Que., June 7.—Bolshewism is a form of virulent disease which, like an epidemic of cholera or typhus, will be wiped out, said General Waldemar Sivertch, ex-Chief D'Affaires of the Ukrainian Republic at Budapest, who arrived here yesterday on the Canadian Pacific steamship Melita. He intends buying a farm in Western Canada and settling down with his wife, son and daughter, and his secretary, Dr. D. Lalkow, who for five years was chief of the Ukrainian foreign mission office at Budapest.

Colonel Cody Rides in Bronze



Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, wealthy society sculptress, and her huge bronze equestrian statue of Buffalo Bill (Col. Cody) which will be placed at the Wyoming entrance to Yellowstone National Park.

London Has Giant Visitor, Said To Be Tallest Man in World

London, June 7.—Herr Jan Van Albert of Amsterdam, who has arrived in England, almost made the metropolitan police giants look like Lilliputians.

If Jan is not tall enough to wipe the dust off the stars, he certainly can light his cigars from the lamps while standing in the street. It is said he is the tallest man in the world.

"I am 23, and 9 ft. 3 1/2 in. tall," he said in an interview. "And I am still growing. I can tell by the way my clothes are getting too small for me. I have to have all my things made specially for me."

"The doctors are very much interested in me. They say I am so big because this gland (touching a spot near the back of his neck) is much larger than the ordinary person's. My apils cost me twice the ordinary price."

During his stay in this country Jan is to appear in variety theatres. He is famous for his enormous appetite as well as for his height. For breakfast he disposes of two soup plates of oatmeal, 15 eggs, three helpings of smoked fish, a large steak, seven slices of bread and butter and marmalade, and eight cups of tea.

Jan was received by the Prime Minister at No. 10 Downing street. Ramsay MacDonald said he had never felt so dwarfed in his life.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL BYRNE WRITES TO CHIEF OF POLICE

Fourteen Cases of Alleged Violation of Lord's Day Were Submitted. REPORTED MAY 25

Consent to Prosecute Asked For, is Withheld in All the Cases.

In response to a communication from Chief of Police Smith of St. John to Hon. J. P. Byrne, Attorney General of New Brunswick, in which 14 cases of alleged violation of The Lord's Day Act were reported and permission, asked for prosecution, the Attorney General has replied, withholding his consent in every case.

This information was given to The Times-Star by the Attorney-General over the long distance telephone this morning. His reply to Chief Smith, he said, was written on June 2, and posted on the same date. The Chief said yesterday that he had received no word.

Some of Reports Most of the cases cover the sale of such articles as bread, milk, and other as well as cakes, candy, etc. The alleged offences all took place on Sunday, May 25.

Amongst those reported were: Walter B. Laird, 20 Clarence street, sold bread, cake and bologna to Mrs. Mary Campbell, 120 Prince Edward street.

Mary McDermott, 78 Britain street, sold oil, sugar and milk to Alexander Ralph, 11 Britain street.

Mrs. Mary Donovan, 28 Pond street, sold bread, milk and wood to Mary Levine, 27 North street.

Margaret Ryan, 38 Prince Edward street, sold milk and eggs to Knowl Cusack, 62 Prince Edward street.

Annie Ryan, 28 Prince Edward street sold two bags of coal.

Myer Tremblay, corner Erin and Brunswick street sold bread, milk and cake. (Continued on page 2, sixth column.)

WILL GET THEM IN BEFORE JULY 1

Japanese Government Will Aid in Outwitting Uncle Sam—Cost \$65,000.

Tokio, June 7.—(United Press).—It is announced that the Government agrees to subsidize extra sailings of Japanese ships to America to carry the returning troops and brides before July 1, for the amount of \$65,000. This does not apply to fares, but goes direct to the companies to offset their losses through the diversion of their ships.

It is possible that the steamship Shinyo Maru, which is due from America on Monday, will not make the China and Philippine run, but will turn back to America. It is estimated that there are now about 900 who are not able to secure accommodations.

EARL'S COOLNESS SAVED PRINCESS

They Were Charged by a Wild Bull That He Had Wounded.

Messina, Transvaal, June 7.—(Canadian Press Cable, via Reuters).—The Earl of Athlone, Governor-General of South Africa, and the Princess Alice had a thrilling adventure, if not a narrow escape from being killed, while on a hunting expedition in the Transvaal. The Earl shot and wounded a wild bull, which turned and charged straight at His Excellency and the Princess. The infuriated animal was being driven down on the vice-regal party, and was only thirty yards away when the Earl fired and killed him.

The Earl and Princess were in imminent peril for a short time, but the cool and unerring aim of the Earl saved them from danger.

Weather Report

Morning Paper Report: Fresh southwest winds, partly cloudy, with local showers; not much change in temperature.