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BREAK IN BRITISH DEERLOCK INDICATED

MINER CHIEF SAYS PEACE POSSIBLE ANY MOMENT; MARKET IS OPTIMISTIC

Government Spokesman Declares Tide Has Turned; Tendency of Strikers To Drift Back To Work, He Says

SIR H. SAMUEL MENTIONED MEDIATOR

King George Meets Privy Council and Relief Measures Believed Talked—General Strike Declared Illegal By Court Hearing Injunction Case of Miners' Union

LONDON, May 11.—The stock exchange, which so frequently has been a barometer of future good or bad news, today showed indications of confidence that an early settlement of the general strike is in sight.

The British Broadcasting Company today radioed to the British public that, although no official confirmation can be obtained, there is reason to believe moves toward settlement of the general strike are taking place.

LONDON, May 11.—Indications of an easing in the general strike deadlock became more pronounced this afternoon. A. J. Cook, the miners' chief, declared: "Peace is possible at any moment, on terms that will give economic security to the miners."

Numbers of people had been approaching the miners' leaders, he asserted, with a view of settling the deadlock.

At almost the same time a government spokesman was saying to the newspapers: "Without being unduly optimistic, I think we may say that the tide has turned. There is a tendency all over the country for the strikers to drift back to work."

The Trades Union Congress, which has charge of the general strike, scouted this statement, reiterating that the solidarity of the men was being maintained.

Reports of peace negotiations, with Sir Herbert Samuel, chairman of the Royal Commission, as one of the central figures, continued to fill the air, but neither the labor chiefs nor the government would discuss these reports.

TRAIN WRECKED.

The famous "Flying Scotsman," running from Edinburgh to London, having on board 400 passengers, was wrecked yesterday at Crumlington, a mining district near Newcastle. All the passengers were unhurt, but the train was damaged and the engine and two coaches were overturned.

The train was running about six miles an hour when an inspector on the engine with the volunteer engineer, the engine was struck on the side by a truck, which caused the engine and two coaches to topple over. Sailors aboard helped the passengers out. The "Flying Scotsman" is ordinarily one of the fastest trains in Great Britain.

STRIKE COLLAPSING

Reports from the provinces indicated that the strike was steadily collapsing in South Wales, as far as the tramway men, railwaymen and electricians were concerned. The government spokesman, citing improvement in the transportation services said 5,508 trains were run yesterday in the United Kingdom, as compared with 849 on the first day of the strike.

SAYS STRIKE ILLEGAL

LONDON, May 11.—The general strike is illegal, Justice Astbury declared in the Chancery Division today, and those inciting it or participating in it are not protected under the laws regulating the trades union.

His opinion, the first handed down from a judicial bench since the general strike began, was in general an injunction against certain branch leaders of the Sailors' and Firemen's Union. The injunction restrains the branch leaders from calling out their men without orders from general headquarters of the union.

URGES REDS DEPORTED

Notwithstanding the government's action in commanding the newspaper print supply not in the hands of the publishers, the Daily Mail brought out its first London edition this morning. In its leading article the paper suggests that it is not denied by anyone that the general strike is illegal, the Trades Union Congress has no legal sanction, its orders are contrary to the law, and it should be dissolved.

The Mail also urges that "the five hundred Soviet agents in Great Britain" be deported. Sir John Simon's declaration that the strike is illegal is declared by the government spokesmen to have caused many trade unionists to return to work unconditionally.

Amundsen Leaves In Norge on Pole Trip

BIRD SANCTUARY STARTED HERE

FIRST BIRDS ARE PLACED IN ROCKWOOD PARK

Four Acres Devoted To Pioneer Safety Spot

A LAUDABLE MOVE

Interesting Experiment Also Being Made at Rothsay With Imported Partridge

IN A SPACE surrounded by wire netting, adjacent to the deer enclosure in Rockwood Park, two pairs of Canada geese and two pairs of canvas-back ducks with clipped wings were placed this morning to become what is hoped will be the pioneers of a safety spot for migratory birds in a space of a few years will rival the world-famous bird sanctuary of Jack Miner, Ontario farmer of Kingsville, near Windsor, a few miles back of Lake Erie.

Strike News In Brief

LONDON—Neither the police nor the special volunteer constables have displayed unnecessary toughness in dealing with strike disorders.

OTTAWA—The Trades and Labor Congress of Canada is appealing for financial support for the British miners at present on strike in the Old Country.

LONDON—As in the great war, the British strike has produced the "conscientious objector." Many labor sympathizers refuse to ride in trains, buses or subways operated by volunteer labor and as far as possible refrain from eating food conveyed by troops.

The Levithan sailed for New York from Southampton this morning with 383 passengers. All the baggage was loaded by volunteer workers.

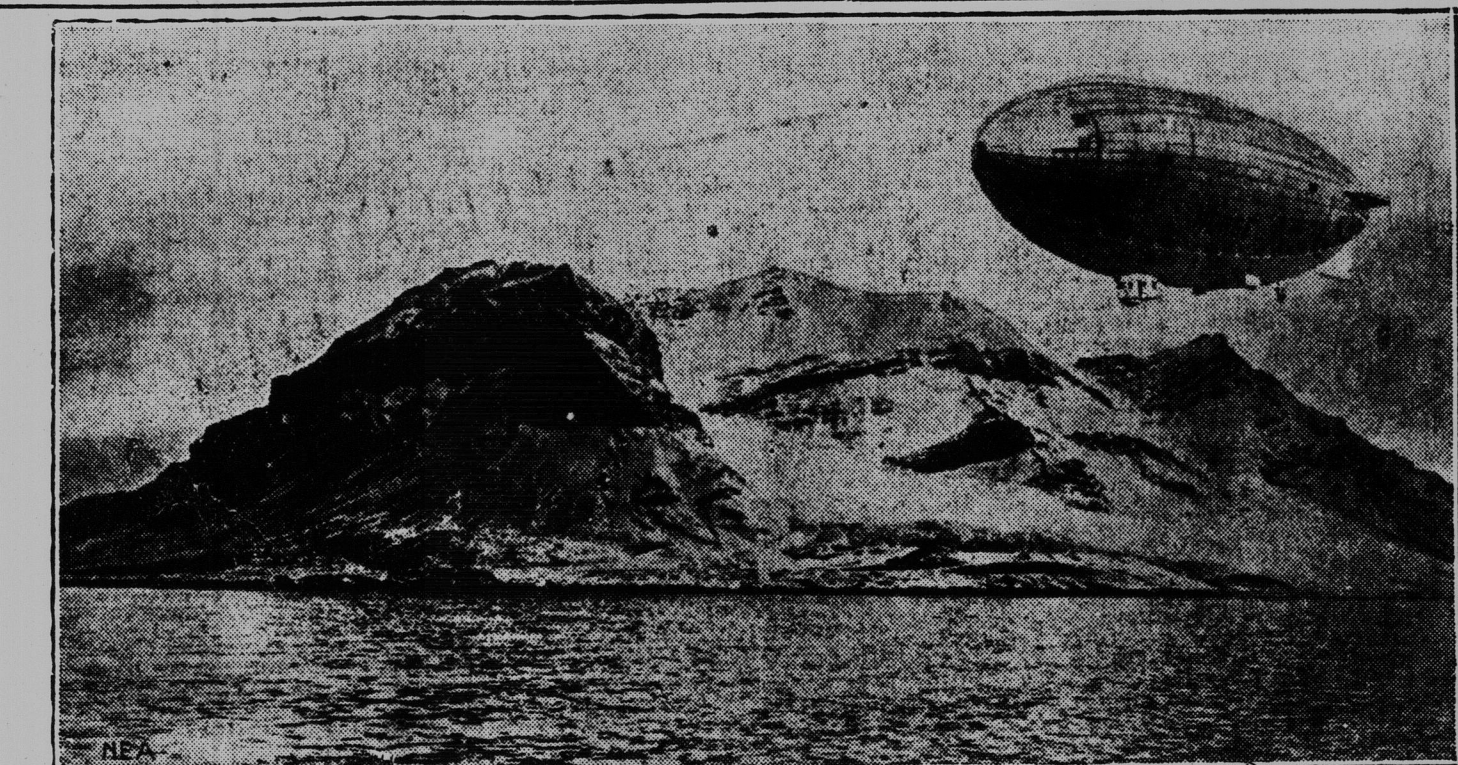
The Danish Trades Union Congress will send 50,000 kroner (\$25,000) to the British Trades Union Congress immediately. It will continue to forward contributions for the duration of the strike.

The striking railway men in the Aberdare district have refused to accept wages due them, on the contention that the payroll had been handled by "blackleg" clerks.

The chief constable of Norwich and the local strike committee have arranged an athletic schedule for several weeks to come. The strikers have agreed to meet all comers in football, cricket and other sports, regardless of their views on the strike.

LONDON—Yes, London will have its bananas. A shipload of the fruit arrived yesterday and was carted through the centre of the city last night in horse-drawn vans and lorries to Covent Garden market. There was no armed guard in attendance.

Big Dirigible Starts on Hazardous Polar Flight



Above is shown how the dirigible Norge appeared as it sailed over the rugged Arctic wastes, near King's Bay, Spitzbergen, from King's Bay that Roald Amundsen and his American companion, Lincoln Ellsworth, today hopped off in the big airship for their flight over the north pole. At left are photographs of the leaders of the latest expedition into the Arctic fastness.



Roald Amundsen Lincoln Ellsworth

BIG SEASON IS PREDICTED AS DINGLEY HERE

"Boston Boat" On First 1925 Trip—Empress Resumes Bay Run

Docking this morning at 11:30 o'clock on her first trip of the season, the S. Governor Dingley, Captain L. C. Ingalls, brought 71 tons of mixed freight and 35 passengers from Boston, Eastport and Lubec. Among the passengers was D. E. Coughlan, a Boston fish merchant, who made the trip on business.

IN LINE OF FLIGHT

Mr. Bruce claims that Saint John lies in the direct line of flight of all migratory birds and that with the public's co-operation in protecting captive birds in the park there seems no reason why the project will not be feasible and an invaluable asset to our tourist attractions.

A NATURAL PLACE

It is said that 40 years ago there were big flights of mallard and canvas-back ducks over this part of Canada. The birds were a coast bird and migrating from the Pacific to the Atlantic, it would appear that these species might easily be induced to seek sanctuary here if such is provided.

In substantiation of what Jack Miner claims to be our superior advantages as a bird sanctuary location Mr. Bruce today stated that in the Lily Lake area alone there are 30 acres and "roundabout the land acreage is 1,200. The Miner facilities are barely 30 acres in total. Moreover this is a natural alighting spot for birds in long flight and if the people of Saint John will back up the project with protective co-operation this city may become famous the same as Kingsville, Ont.

An interesting development in the propagation of game birds in this country is being made in the extreme Southwest part of Italy, says the Giornale d'Italia.

BALDWIN SEES VICTORY FOR GOVERNMENT AS INEVITABLE

British Premier Hopes Coal Negotiations Will Be Resumed As Soon As General Strike Is Called Off

LONDON, May 11.—At the beginning of the second week of the general strike it is reassuring to be able to state that the community has shown itself not only determined to overcome the threat which has been made to its political rights but fully capable of defending them efficiently and calmly.

There is no longer any doubt that transport and other vital services can be carried out effectively and are being improved hour by hour. Ultimate victory for the nation and of the cause of constitutional government is in fact assured. For there must be no continuation between stoppage in the coal industry and the general strike. They are two distinct issues. Stoppage in the coal industry has followed nine months of enquiry and negotiations.

RESUME PARLEYS

Those negotiations will, I hope, be resumed directly the general strike has been cancelled by the Trades Union Congress and I shall continue my efforts to see that in any settlement justice is done both to the miners and the owners.

No one, I repeat, must confuse the issues in the coal industry, which are purely local and industrial, with those of the general strike, which is called by negotiations between the government, the mine-owners and the miners.

Calling the general strike the Trades Union Congress tried to decree that railways should not run; that transport should not move; that unloading of ships should stop; and that no news should reach the people. None of these objects have been attained. The nation has not been paralyzed. Railways are running; transport is moving; ships are being unloaded; news is being distributed and, what is most important of all, adequate food supplies are reaching all parts of the country.

"HOLD UP" FAILS

In short, the attempt to "hold up" the nation has failed and it is to be hoped that before long the Trades Union Council and the men who have obeyed their orders, will realize the futility of containing the general strike, the collapse of which is inevitable.

When the strike is over the British nation will, by defeating it, have done much to protect political institutions throughout the world. The government will, of course, continue to safeguard the legitimate rights of trade unions, but the country has shown that neither now nor hereafter will constitutional interference be tolerated in the political affairs of the nations by any organization in the state.

Fredericton Fire Dept. Has Annual Meeting

FREDERICTON, May 11.—The annual meeting of the Fredericton fire department was held Monday night. Routine business was transacted and officers were elected. They are as follows: President, John Tomody; vice-president, Karl A. Walker; secretary, Maurice Williams; treasurer, Thomas J. DeBorja.

The church for some months has been the centre of a dispute between the two factions. At the service of the Presbyterians last evening Rev. W. M. Fee announced that they would hold meetings weekly henceforth, commencing next Sunday.

Today it was learned officially that the unionists would hold their service next Sunday as usual.

BLIMP STARTS THIS MORNING FROM KING'S BAY

Connecting Link Between America and Europe Sought

3 DAYS' FLIGHT

Explorers Plan To Fly Straight Across Earth's Top To Alaska

OSLO, May 11.—wireless message received from Captain Amundsen at 11:45 o'clock this morning said: "Now flying across the polar ice."

It was officially announced this afternoon that Captain Amundsen will take possession of any land found during the voyage, in the name of the King of Norway.

OSLO, May 11.—The Amundsen-Ellsworth dirigible Norge started on its flight to the North Pole and Alaska at 10:10 o'clock this morning, says a message from King's Bay.

Roald Amundsen, the noted explorer, and Lincoln Ellsworth, his companion on their unsuccessful attempt to reach the North Pole by aeroplane last year, hope primarily to discover land during the flight of their Italian built dirigible Norge, which began today.

Amundsen has pointed out that it is only 2,000 miles from Spitzbergen to Alaska, and that the discovery of even a small piece of land near the top of the world, would afford an invaluable connecting link between America and Europe.

Under the plans outlined by Amundsen this spring, the Norge will fly in almost a straight line across the pole and through the centre of the unexplored region of the Arctic area in the Polar Sea. The leaders of the expedition have estimated that it will take three days to fly from King's Bay, Spitzbergen, to Point Barrow, Alaska. The first pilot of the Norge is Col. Umberto Nobile, the Italian aviator officer who superintended her construction, and who flew her successfully from Rome across Europe to England, thence to Norway and Leningrad, finally to Spitzbergen, from which point Lieut. Commander Richard E. Byrd made his aeroplane flight to the North Pole early this week.

MEMBERS OF CREW

Among the fliers whom Amundsen planned to take on the trip to the pole were Lieut. Hilmer Riser Larsen, Lieut. Oscar Omdal, Captain Oscar Wisting and Lieut. Gustave Amundsen, a nephew of the explorer. All these men had been on previous polar expeditions. Mr. Ellsworth is the only United States member of the flying crew.

One of the gravest dangers which Amundsen has recognized, is the difficulty of landing in the polar area, and it was for this reason chiefly that he decided to use a dirigible instead of an aeroplane in the belief that the dirigible can be kept in the air with much more certainty than an aeroplane.

Rails Ordered For Douglas Avenue

M. A. Pooler, general manager of the New Brunswick Power Company, said this morning that the Federal Light and Traction Co., Ltd., had authorized the purchase of steel for the car track from the end of the present Douglas avenue paving to the highway bridge, and for three curves for the loop line in West Saint John. The order for the steel has been placed, he said, and it should arrive here in between four and five weeks.

Big Motor Bus Here For Summer Service

A large Studebaker Intercity 21 passenger coach arrived in the city today and will be operated between Saint John and Gondola Point by the Saint John Motor Lines, Ltd. Stops will be made at Rothsay, Fairville and intermediate points. T. W. Enright, manager of the new line, will begin operation so soon as the roads are opened to heavy traffic. It is the intention to make a round trip in 1 1/2 hours, commencing at 7 o'clock in the morning and continuing until about 11 p. m.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS—A fairly deep depression is centred near Halifax while a trough of low pressure extends from the Maritimes to the Southern Middle States. Pressure remains high over North Canada. Rain has fallen in the Maritime Provinces, and showers have been seen generally in Saskatchewan. Elsewhere the weather has been fair.

FORECASTS: Clearing

MARITIME—Fresh to strong northwest winds, and clearing today. Wednesday, fresh northwest winds, mostly fair with much the same temperature.

NEW ENGLAND—Fair tonight, slightly colder frost on the southeast coast, light fresh in the interior, Wednesday fair, fresh north.

W. C. McFETERS HAS LEG FRACTURED

Sussex Newspaper Man Run Over by Horse Frightened by Others.

Special to The Times-Star—SUSSEX, May 11.—W. Carey McFeters met with a serious accident in Main street, near the railroad crossing, a little before 8 o'clock this morning. One of his legs was fractured.

The accident was caused by a horse frightened of other horses. Men from Devine's stable were leading a shipment of spirited animals at the time. A horse in a light wagon, driven by a resident, shied when it approached the Devine horses, and struck Mr. McFeters, who was waiting to cross the street, knocking him down and ran over him.

Mr. McFeters has been connected with the Kings County Record for many years and previously had been in the office of the Saint John Telegraph.

TO HOSPITAL POSTS

E. L. McQuade of Saint John and R. E. Bennett Selected.

E. L. McQuade, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McQuade, Elliott row, who is a medical student at Dalhousie University, Halifax, is home for a few days visiting his parents. He is accompanied by a friend, R. E. Bennett, son of the Colonial Secretary of Newfoundland.

These young men have both been appointed as internes at the Halifax Hospital and will leave on Thursday evening to assume their duties at that institution.

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Two Congregations Plan To Hold Service In Same Church

FRESHET FALLING. FREDERICTON, May 11.—The freshet in the Saint John River here subsided about three inches since last night, with the weather cold. Rain is falling, and a further rise in water is expected. Stream driving continues.

MARRIED AT CAPITAL. FREDERICTON, May 11.—(Special)—The wedding of Wentworth LeBaron Carr and Minerva Geraldine Chase, both of Fredericton, took place at the Brunswick street Baptist parsonage Monday afternoon. Rev. G. C. Warren officiating.

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