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Drastic Cut in Amount of British Expenditures

ECONOMIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS REDUCTION OF £75,000,000

Aimed at £100,000,000—Further Curtailment in Later Report—85,000 Less Officers and Men in Army and Navy Urged. Saving by Disarmament Decisions Not Included.

(Canadian Press Cable.) London, Feb. 10.—Drastic reductions in the personnel and estimates for maintenance of the army, the navy and the air service of Great Britain are recommended in the long awaited report of the committee on national economy, headed by Sir Eric Geddes, made public today.

The committee which was asked to show how £100,000,000 could be clipped from the national expenditures, accounts for £75,000,000 of this amount in this report and will suggest further reductions of expenses in various government departments in a later report.

Reductions of fifty thousand officers and men in the army and 35,000 in the navy are the outstanding features of the proposals.

DISCUSSION ON SPORT SITUATION AT FREDERICTON

Dissatisfaction With A. A. U. of C. Control.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 10.—The control which the maritime provinces in the maritime provinces is a matter that can be settled until after the present embargo in amateur sports in the maritime provinces has been disposed of.

Question of Games With Pro or Independent Teams Considered—Also Complain of Registration, Sanction and Alleged "Red Tape"

Managers Bishop and Burchill of the U. N. B. and M. A. hockey teams were the principal speakers. It was brought to the attention of the gathering that in the United States the college basketball teams playing exhibition games with the National and American Leagues. If almost two hundred of the best athletes in the maritime provinces are to be put beyond the pale of amateurism the colleges hockey, basketball and football teams will be without suitable competitors for exhibition contests.

Other complaints. The colleges are also dissatisfied. It was said, with the registration of their players, the obtaining of sanctions for games and other what was designated "red tape" proceedings which the maritime branch insists upon. The colleges have to pay for the registration of their players and also are taxed for sanctions for every game which is played either between their own teams or their exhibition contests with other teams.

QUEBEC'S LIQUOR BUSINESS FOR ONE MONTH

Quebec, Feb. 10.—(Canadian Press.)—During the period dating from Dec. 1, 1921, to Jan. 1, 1922, the Quebec liquor commission sold 728,901 bottles and 36,448 gallons of liquor.

MORE DISORDERS IN SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg, Feb. 10.—Disorders occurred in the mining district today in connection with the strike in the gold fields. Heavy dynamite explosions occurred between Etrax and Anzie. Three violent explosions near the Kleinfontein railway station also were reported. The police surprised a band of men apparently heading for the magazine for the Robinson mine. Eight were arrested.

GIVE PARISIAN NEWSPAPERS LESSON IN JOURNALISTIC ENTERPRISE

Paris, Feb. 10.—The editorial staffs of the Paris editions of the New York Herald and the London Daily Mail, gave a lesson in journalistic initiative and enterprise to their French contemporaries today. When their competitors walked out last night, following the rejection of their ultimatum for a fifty per cent increase in wages, the staffs of the two newspapers got together. This morning they brought out a joint edition printed from photo-engraved plates of typewritten copy, the method being similar to that adopted by several American magazines recently in similar contingency.

WHERE PRINCESS MARY WILL BE MARRIED



The high altar in the sanctuary of Westminster Abbey, where the marriage ceremony will take place.

20 PER CENT CUT FOR STEVEDORE WORK IN N. Y.

Approved by Representatives of Both Sides—Plan Same Schedule in New England.

New York, Feb. 10.—Twenty per cent reduction in charges for stevedore work were yesterday approved for the port of New York at a meeting of shipping board officials, ship operators and representatives of stevedoring companies.

T. P. O'Connor, speaking for the shipping board, announced the new rates would be retroactive to February, and that they would be given a trial for sixty days.

Mr. O'Connor left yesterday for Boston, where he said an effort would be made to arrange a similar schedule for New England ports.

POINCARÉ WARNS FRANCE'S ALLIES

Will Not Attend the Genoa Conference Unless Peace Treaty Matters are Excluded—Backed Up by Deputies.

Paris, Feb. 10.—Premier Poincaré, in a note given out last evening, addressed to the United States and France's allies in the late war, declares flatly that France will be unable to send delegates to the proposed economic conference if any of the invited governments let it be understood that they do not accept entirely the conference arranged at the supreme council meeting at Cannes in January, precluding any discussion of the existing peace treaties.

Deputies Approve. Paris, Feb. 10.—The foreign affairs committee of the Chamber of Deputies adopted a resolution approving Premier Poincaré's attitude regarding the Genoa conference. The resolution draws attention to possible conflicting interpretations of the clauses of the supreme council's resolution providing for respect for treaties and the re-establishment of a solid peace between nations.

THE BRITISH VIEW

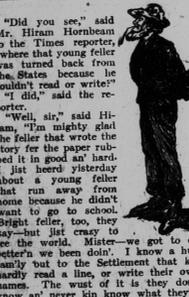
London, Feb. 10.—Great Britain will agree to no postponement of the Genoa conference unless the abandonment of the request for such postponement emanates from Rome, it was authoritatively declared here today.

The French ambassador, it is understood, was so informed last night by Lord Curzon, the foreign secretary.

DOMINION BANK IN MONTREAL PROPERTY DEAL

Montreal, Feb. 10.—The property located on the northeast corner of St. Catherine street and Bleury street has been acquired by the Dominion Bank for \$350,000. M. S. Bogart, manager of the Montreal office of the Dominion Bank, said there were no plans as to the disposal of the property at present.

As Hiram Sees It



"Did you see," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "where that young fellow was turned back from the States because he couldn't read or write?"

"I did," said the reporter.

"Well, sir," said Hiram, "I know a hull lot better than that young fellow who couldn't read or write. I jist heard yesterday about a young fellow that run away from home because he didn't want to go to school."

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Railway Workers Seize Cork Station and Trains

DISSATISFIED WITH TERMS OF STRIKE SETTLEMENT

No Opposition Offered—General Strike on February 15 Averted—Trouble Lasted for a Month.

(Canadian Press Cable.) Cork, Feb. 10.—Dissatisfied with the terms of the settlement of the Irish railway strike, a group of railway workers marched into the Cork station today and seized the station and all the trains. Up to mid-afternoon no opposition had been offered.

IRISH FREE STATE ACT PASSES ITS FIRST READING

Three Clauses Only in Bill, Published Today.

London, Feb. 10.—The Irish Free State Act of 1922, which was introduced in the House of Commons yesterday for the first reading, was published today. It is brief, containing only three clauses, the first of which states that the Anglo-Irish treaty signed in London shall have the force of law from the date the act is passed.

U. S. EMERGENCY TARIFF WORKING AGAINST TRADE

Decrease in Exports to Canada More Than Decrease in Canadian Exports—Reduction Both Ways 45 Per Cent.

New York, Feb. 10.—(Canadian Press.)—A statement issued by the United States press today by the Canadian trade commissioner indicates the reactive effect of the United States emergency tariff upon what the United States sells to Canada. The measure, it is stated, has been increasing and protecting United States trade, is having the opposite effect.

SCOUTS IDEA OF A SPLIT

Ontario Labor Minister Says He Sees Nothing in Hydro-Radial or Other Issue.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—Any idea that there will be a split between the labor group and the government forces during the coming session of the legislature on the hydro-radial policy of the Drury government is scouted by Hon. Walter Rolfe, minister of labor. He sees nothing in that or any other issue, not even the eight-hour day, on which labor and U. O. forces might fight during the session.

PROBATE COURT

In the probate court in the matter of the estate of John Calhoun, personally \$200, Thomas Guy was appointed executor. H. S. Keith was probator. In the matter of the estate of Maria Thurber, personally \$417.80, W. L. Broad was sworn as administrator. J. C. Byles was probator.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis.—A depression is centered over Minnesota, with a severe cold wave spreading into the western provinces from the northward. Light snowfalls have occurred from British Columbia to Manitoba, and a few snowflurries from Ontario to the maritime provinces.

MARY MILES MINTER SAID TO HAVE BEEN INTERROGATED REGARDING DIRECTOR'S DEATH—MANY OTHERS.

Los Angeles, Feb. 10.—The district attorney's investigation of the murder of William Desmond Taylor was expected to be continued today. Twelve persons, both men and women, believed to have information of value have already been questioned by Thomas Woolwine, district attorney, by William C. Dorn, his chief deputy.

TRAIN OFF TRACK AT BLOOMFIELD

A freight train, leaving St. John early this morning, met with a mishap near Bloomfield when one of the cars left the track and blocked the main line. An auxiliary outfit was rushed to the scene from St. John. The Maritime Express was delayed on the other side of the wreck and No. 14, leaving the city at 1:40, was expected to be held up for some time. Suburban traffic will not be interrupted.

TRAVELER HURT IN TRAIN MISHAP

Sydney Express for Halifax Leaves Rails in Early Morning Near Antigonish—39 Below Zero.

Antigonish, N. S., Feb. 10.—One passenger, J. J. Powers, commercial traveler of Bradford, Ont., received minor injuries. Four cars went over an embankment and eight cars left the rails when the Sydney express for Halifax was wrecked at Antigonish about half way between here and Port Fitzgerald.

SLACK YEAR FOR CANADA CEMENT

Montreal, Feb. 10.—The annual statement of the Canada Cement Company for 1921 shows results of the year's operations after allowing for depreciation and dividends, worked out at 284 per cent on the common as against 31 per cent the previous year. Profits for the year \$2,636,460, against \$2,362,742 in 1920. Working capital is \$1,742,500, against \$1,905,238 in 1920.