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COUNTER PROPOSAL BY GERMANY IS PREPARED BY BOARD OF EDUCATION PROGRAM IS APPROVED BY GRANT

LIBERAL PARTY TO SEE THAT MEMBERS OF PARTY ARE PRESENT DURING SESSIONS

J. A. Robb, M. P., Declares Opposition Prepared to Make Government "Step Some"—Hon. A. K. McLean Given Seat on Liberal Benches—Changes in Seating Arrangements in the Commons Chamber To Be Made.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—There will be few absentees among Liberal members of the Commons, according to J. A. Robb, Huntingdon, chief Liberal whip, who reached Ottawa last night, and is now getting seasonal preparations under way. Some of the Liberal members have notified Mr. Robb that they may be delayed for a day or two in reaching Ottawa, as in one or two instances members have cases before courts in their home districts. Hon. A. K. McLean has been given a seat on the Liberal benches, and is expected to be here within a day or two of the opening if he can conclude his work before the New Brunswick highways commission. Definite applications for seats among the Liberal members have not yet been received from any other former Government supporters who have been mentioned as likely to cross the floor. It is expected that there will be a change in the seating arrangements in the Commons chamber this year. The prime minister and leader of the Opposition may occupy seats further down toward the centre of the chamber than they did last year, and the prominent members of either party will, of course, move down about six feet, since the new speaker's chair will be moved down about six feet, since the new speaker has been placed in position, so that the party leaders will be about the same distance from the speaker as before. No announcement has yet been made as to the plans for the opening week. It is expected, however, that the debate on the address will begin on Tuesday. The Liberals will be ready to give them a preliminary answer. Mr. Robb declared this morning.

JAPAN NOT TO REDUCE NAVAL ARMAMENTS

Motion for Curtailment Is Defeated by Big Majority.

SEES DANGERS YET

Tokio Government, Considers Siberia and China Still a Menace.

Tokio, Feb. 11.—The House of Representatives yesterday rejected by a vote of 38 to 285, a resolution offered by Yukio Ozaki, former leader of the Kenmei party, proposing a curtailment of military and naval armaments. The entire Kokumintō (Nationalist) party and some independent members favored the resolution, but the Government's Sei Yu Kai and the Kenmei party opposed it. Mr. Ozaki, in a speech, delivered a speech on the conditions in Siberia and China, which he said were not satisfactory, and that therefore Japan was unable to reduce her proposed army and navy establishments.

DEPEND ON PLANE TO REACH POLE

Vaiparaiso, Chile, Feb. 11.—Commander John Cope of the British imperial expedition, which hopes ultimately to reach South Pole by airplane, sailed from Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, December 20, according to a message received here. With four companions, he purposes to spend the winter in the Antarctic and charting the western shores of Weddell sea. The expedition carries other scientific investigations in the Antarctic regions. The party will live on seals and depend on seals and penguins for fresh meat.

Job Seekers Camping On Harding's Trail

St. Augustine, Fla., Feb. 11.—The quadrantal tide wave of office seekers and advice givers that always engulfs a president-elect on the eve of his inauguration is rising steadily about Warren G. Harding's headquarters here. The number of job seekers has increased and the proportion of a deluge. Its force is not softened by the circumstances that Republicanism has not tasted of the plums of patronage for eight years.

PASSENGERS RESCUED FROM STRANDED SHIP ARRIVE IN VANCOUVER

Steamer Princess Beatrice Went Ashore on Jedidah Island.

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 11.—Twenty-one passengers from the steamer Princess Beatrice which went ashore on Jedidah Island yesterday morning, arrived here last night on the steamer Patricia which had been sent from Nanaimo to her aid. Eleven passengers were left at Powell River, the port which they were destined for when the Beatrice struck.

POLES AND REDS SIGN TREATY

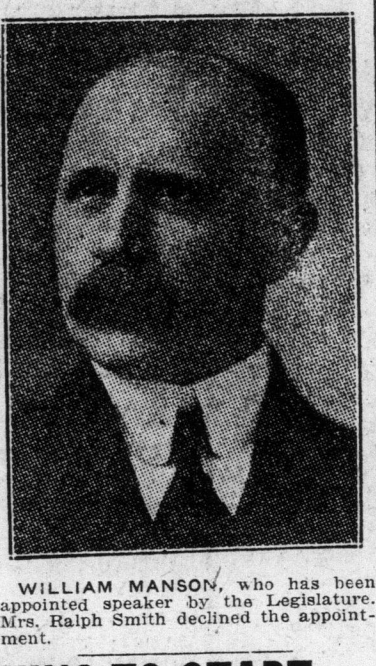
Pact Reported to Have Been Completed at Riga.

Helsingfors, Finland, Feb. 11.—The treaty of peace between Soviet Russia and Poland was signed at Riga yesterday, it was announced in a wireless dispatch received here from Moscow. The treaty was signed at Riga, and the signing ceremony was held in the presence of the plenipotentiaries of the two governments.

PANAMA GOVERNOR LEAVES

Colon, Panama, Feb. 11.—Oscar Harding, governor of the Panama Canal zone, left for New York yesterday afternoon and will not return to the isthmus. His resignation and departure were announced in a wireless dispatch received here from Panama.

Speaker of British Columbia Legislature.



WILLIAM MANSON, who has been appointed speaker by the Legislature. Mrs. Ralph Smith declined the appointment.

KING TO START "FIREWORKS" AT HOUSE OPENING

Liberal Leader Will Lose No Time in Demanding Election.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—Canadian Press.—It is expected that the "fireworks" will start early in the session, which opens on Monday. Hon. Mackenzie King, leader of the Liberal Opposition, is expected to take part on Tuesday in the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, and it is expected that he will probably end his speech by introducing an amendment to the address which will declare for an early election on the ground that the present Administration has outlived its mandate.

DESPATIE-TREMBLAY MARRIAGE IS VALID

Privy Council Renders Judgment in Quebec Case.

London, Feb. 11.—(Canadian Associated Press.)—The privy council rendered judgment today in the Despatie-Tremblay Quebec marriage case, allowing the appeal and declaring the marriage valid. The case was argued before the privy council in London, and the judgment was delivered by Lord Haldane.

USING AMERICAN OIL WITH CANADIAN COAL EASILY OBTAINABLE

Practice Prevailing in B. C. Criticized by Manufacturer.

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 11.—Addressing the Associated Boards of Trade of British Columbia at luncheon here yesterday, Thomas Graham, general superintendent of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, said British Columbia industries had pursued an unwise and short-sighted policy in relying on imported fuel oil in preference to Vancouver Island coal, and eventually they must pay dearly for their folly. Fuel oil had displaced 600,000 tons of island coal annually, representing, at the present price paid for oil, \$6,000,000 for a foreign product.

BEATS MAN-O-WAR SPEED

Across the course in just 51 seconds, and a very good solution at that, is the record made by a Galt man who was demonstrating to several friends a few evenings ago just how rapidly he could mark a chain of circles across The Advertiser's figure puzzle and show a fairly good result. This was not submitted as a final solution in the \$2,500 competition, but simply as one of the many interesting sideights and experiments people are enjoying in connection with their more serious efforts to obtain the best results. It illustrates, however, the possibilities of a few minutes' work. Try a little speed yourself in getting in touch with our Contest Office at 110 Dundas street, for particulars.

WANTS MUSIC TAUGHT

Brantford, Feb. 10.—To the Rotary Club yesterday, Bruce Carey, Hamilton music teacher, told of the good derived from the teaching of music in the public schools, and urged the members to get behind the movement now under way to have music added to the curriculum. He contended that there were many subjects now taught which could be dropped.

Minister of Education Approves Erection of Central Collegiate

Hon. R. H. Grant, After Hearing Deputation From City, Agrees to Authorize Program Providing Plans Will Be Prepared for Schools in East and South London Immediately After Construction on Central Building Is Commenced—Twelve Members of Local Board Outline Views.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—By Staff Reporter.—Assurance was given members of the London Board of Education by Hon. R. H. Grant, minister of education, at an interview this morning, that he would approve the immediate erection of a central sixteen-room school, providing immediately it is under way plans are prepared for the building of schools in South and East London. The minister listened with close attention to practically each of the twelve members of the board who formed the deputation, and more than once laughingly queried whether the board was unanimous in its proposed program. He was evidently much amused that he should be asked to render a decision on a matter that has occupied the joint intelligence of the full board for so many months. Chairman Thomas Coleridge introduced the deputation, presented the minister with a copy of the policy outlined by the board at its special meeting on Monday last and briefly outlined the situation. The interview lasted for practically an hour.

SMUTS VICTORY Plans Campaign MORE DECISIVE To Fight Typhus in New York City

South Africa Premier Will Have Over 70 Supporters in House.

London, Feb. 11.—(Canadian Associated Press.)—Commenting on the South African elections, the Times says that Gen. Smuts was a much more decisive victor than even his optimistic partisans ventured to predict. It seems evident that in the Cape Province the noblest Dutch opinion, a wung back decidedly towards him. In the Transvaal and the Dutch-speaking districts of Natal the Nationalists only about held their own, but in the Orange Free State the spell of Hertzog still seems to be irresistible. The Daily Telegraph says that the victory of Smuts is a triumph for the Unionist section of his party proper representation. The Daily Telegraph says that the victory of Smuts is a triumph for the Unionist section of his party proper representation.

GEORGIA TORNADO CAUSES DEATHS OF 30 PERSONS

Majority of Victims in Southern Storm Are Negroes.

Ocoee, Ga., Feb. 11.—The death toll in yesterday's tornado that swept through the farming settlement near here remained today at about thirty. The number of fatalities stood at two whites and a number of the injured were expected to die. Relief has been sent from Atlanta and nearby towns, and homes and property were being cared for by the Red Cross and civic organizations who should have been notified of the disaster. It was ascertained that in some cases entire families had been wiped out.

DEFENDS SHORT SKIRTS, DANCING

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 11.—The short skirt, as decreed by present-day fashions, is approved and dances of the day are defended in an editorial in this week's issue of The Tartan, official student paper of the Carnegie Institute of Technology.

OUTLINES CANADIAN TECHNICAL TRAINING PROGRAM FOR YEAR

L. W. Gill Delivers Address Before Minneapolis Convention.

Minneapolis, Feb. 11.—L. W. Gill, director for technical education and the Canadian government, addressed the seventh annual convention of the Vocational Education Association of the Middle West here yesterday, dealing with Canada's educational program, whereby \$4,000,000 will be spent annually in training for industry boys and girls who are unable to attend higher schools.

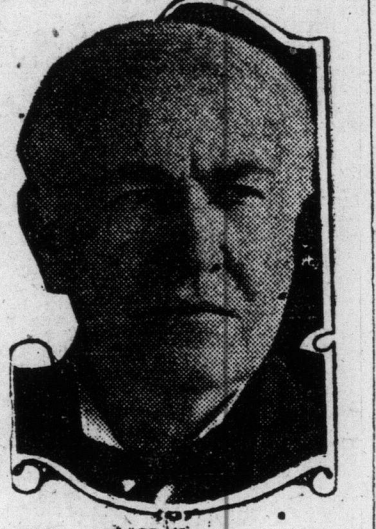
REPRISALS THREATENED BY ALLIES IF FUSION MOVEMENT PROCEEDS

Vienna, Feb. 11.—Entente officials are reported to have sent a formal note to the Austrian government protesting against movements having for their object fusion of Austria and Germany. The note stated that if such movements are carried on, it is said.

SECURES CORRESPONDENCE

London, Feb. 11.—Canadian Press.—Sir Lester Harcourt, a brother of Lord Northcliffe, was successful bidder for the correspondence between General Wolfe and General Monckton relative to the operations which led up to the capture of Quebec.

ELECTRICAL WIZARD CELEBRATING 74TH BIRTHDAY TODAY



Thos. A. Edison.

West Orange, N. J., Feb. 11.—Thomas A. Edison, 74 years old today, was assisted in the celebration of the anniversary by the Edison Pioneers, an organization composed of the inventor's associates of 60 years ago. The "Pioneers," with their wives and children, gathered early at Glenmont, the Edison home in Llewellyn Park, and held a business meeting. Mrs. Edison entertained the women and children while Mr. Edison and his "pal," as he chose to call them, talked of days gone by. Dinner was served for the party in the afternoon after which the "Pioneers" helped the inventor read his many messages of felicitation.

PEOPLE SHOULD BE TOLD MORE ABOUT L. AND P. S. AFFAIRS

Money Expended Before Duly Authorized.

STATES DR. R. W. SHAW Defends Evidence Given at Hydro Radial Inquiry.

Dr. R. W. Shaw, former member of the London railway commission, today came to the defence of the evidence which he gave to the commission in regard to the Hydro Radial, and which was criticized by members of the commission and other ex-commissioners. The evidence which he gave could have been obtained just as readily from the city treasurer, Dr. Shaw claimed. He gave no facts which could not be substantiated by city records, and he firmly believed, however, that there were a number of things about the London and Port Stanley which the people should be told if they were to put up more money.

FINANCIAL SITUATION IN GREECE CRITICAL; SEEK AID FROM U. S.

Unemployment Grows, While Food Prices Ascend.

Athens, Feb. 11.—Economic conditions in Greece are becoming serious. The exportation of tobacco and other products is at a standstill, the army cost is at 3,000,000 drachmas per day, and the new Greek premier has informed Edward Grep, American minister to Greece, that the financial situation is such that the government is unable to meet its obligations. The American government has been asked to advance some \$2,000,000 on credit to Greece, but the American government has declined to do so.

HEARST SEEKS TO PREVENT LOANS

Brings Suit for Injunction Against Secretary Houston.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—Suit for an injunction restraining Secretary Houston of the treasury department, from making any further loans to foreign governments, was filed in the district supreme court today by counsel for William Randolph Hearst, who acts in his capacity as a citizen.

UNION'S DEMANDS CAUSES CITY TO ABANDON EFFORTS

Great Falls, Montana, Feb. 11.—All efforts of the city of Great Falls to create work for its unemployed men are to be abandoned, because of the business agent of the Federal Union, an unskilled organization, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, to permit its members to work for \$5 daily. Mayor Newman announced this decision today.

PRODUCER TO CONSUMER IS PLAN URGED

Cleveland, Feb. 11.—Recommendations for the establishment of direct trading from farm producers to city consumers were being considered today by the All-American Co-operative Congress, representing United States farm organizations and labor unions meeting in conference.

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GERMANY IS ABLE TO PAY BUT 150 BILLION MARKS, CLAIMS FINANCE MINISTER

This Sum Would Include Amounts Already Paid to Entente Powers—Counter Proposal to Allied Reparations Demands To Be Submitted at Paris Conference—Would Ask U. S. to Mediate if Allies Refuse to Consider Offer—Berlin Newspaper.

Berlin, Feb. 11.—The ministry of finance has reached the conclusion that the utmost sum Germany can pay in reparations is 150,000,000,000 marks, including all she has so far paid in cash and goods, according to information which the Deutsche Zeitung says it has received from a "special" source. This 150,000,000,000 marks would be paid off in 20 years under the plan outlined by the newspaper's informant, who adds in a further declaration that the proposal to pay it would be submitted to the Allies at Paris for the purpose of determining whether the coming London conference will permit of its consideration along with the allied proposals adopted at the recent Paris conference.

URGES WORLD-WIDE SEARCH FOR OIL

London, Feb. 11.—Intensive operations in exploration of oil lands was urged by George Howell, publicist and economist, in a recent address in this city. He was of the opinion that vast new petroleum fields might be found and given to the world by the "industrial revolution" in the geological and chemical and the businessman.

LONDON YOUTH CALLS BLUFF OF HOLDUP MEN

Stanley Weld Has Revolver Pressed Against Him.

DISREGARDS ORDERS Breaks Away From Men, and Rushes to Store and Calls Up Police.

"Just a minute, please," was the request that stopped Stanley Weld, 34 Ridgeway, on Wednesday evening at 8:30 o'clock, when he was confronted by two hold-up men on the Wharfedale road at Victor street. The two men stopped Mr. Weld, and one of them held a revolver against his body, but he called their bluff by stepping aside quickly, and ran to a grocery store near at hand to inform the police of the attempted robbery. The bandits made no effort to shoot and ran for their lives, and went swiftly down Beaconsfield avenue towards the Wortley road. The police arrived immediately after, but no trace of the bandits could be found.

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