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LLOYD GEORGE ENEMIES DINE CANADA'S HEAD

Hon. Mr. Meighen is Guest of the Eighty Club With Rt. Hon. H. H. Asquith.

EMPIRE CONFERENCE IN IRISH SHADOW

Lloyd George Absent to Prepare His Plans for Meeting With Sinn Feiners.

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London, July 13.—Preparations for the proposed Pacific disarmament conference and for tomorrow's meeting with Eamon De Valera and his colleagues have temporarily overshadowed the proceedings of the congress of Empire Premiers. Premier David Lloyd George, who will stand face to face with the Sinn Fein leader tomorrow afternoon, spent the day in quiet seclusion at Chequers Court, his country residence, preparing his case, while Premier Meighen of Canada, who addressed the Eighty Club at noon, was absent from the morning session of the conference.

Day Was Unimportant
The result was a day of little moment, the delegates in attendance contenting themselves with a discussion regarding Imperial communications, no definite action being taken. This problem is one that has tormented the agenda of every Imperial conference since the '80's, but thus far has never passed beyond the stage of resolutions. A more determined effort to achieve something practical of value is expected at the present conference, but in as much as final action is a matter for the parliaments of the respective dominions, no important decision is likely to be taken for some time.

At Eighty Club
At the Eighty Club today, Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen found himself in somewhat strange company. Rt. Hon. H. H. Asquith sat at his left and proposed his health, while around him were all the leading lights of anti-Lloyd George Liberalism.
Mr. Asquith, in his address, said that the Imperial conference would always be associated in history with what he himself regarded as an event of happier augury for the future of the world than any that had preceded it during the last two years—the conferences proposed by President Harding on the question of the Pacific and the limitation of armaments.

Like the League
"I have not myself lost faith in the League of Nations," said Mr. Asquith, "but who can doubt that it has been and is a serious drawback to its practical efficacy that our brethren of the United States have not seen their way to associate themselves with it. We ought, I think, to welcome with all the more ardor any initiative which the president has now taken. So long as the United States finds her way to the international council table it matters little by what door she enters."
Premier Meighen, who followed Mr. Asquith and who received an almost tumultuous welcome, skilfully avoided going beyond the borders of non-partisan problems. Mr. Meighen heartily welcomed President Harding's invitation.

OWNERS CANNOT RECOVER DRINK

British Columbia Wins Action Before Privy Council Retaining Liquors Worth \$400,000.

Vancouver, July 13.—Word was received here today from London that the British Columbia government was successful in the appeal to the Privy Council taken by the Canadian Pacific Wine Company against the seizure of its \$385,000 stock of wines and liquor under the British Columbia prohibition act several months ago. As the defendants have now exhausted every process of law to recover the provincial government retains possession of the huge stock of wet goods. Two hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars was the value of the goods months ago, today's valuation will be nearer \$400,000, due to the vastly increased cost of liquor and the fact that the liquor control board will be selling this special consignment.

GERMAN DESTROYER IS SUNK BY BOMBS

Newport News, Va., July 13.—The German destroyer G-720 was sunk at 1.40 today, by an army bombing plane from Langley Field. The destroyer, anchored at sea in the Chesapeake, was sent down by bombs rained down from the Martin bombers that led the attack, reports to Langley Field said. The big D. H. planes did not get a chance at the target. No problem of locating the target was involved.

JAPAN WANTS PRINCE OF WALES TO COME AFTER SEEING INDIA

London, July 13.—The Prince of Wales has received an official invitation from the Japanese Government to visit Japan at the conclusion of his tour of India, which, according to recent announcement, is to begin about the end of October. The Prince, who recently contracted a cold, has been resting this week on orders of his medical advisors. This has necessitated the cancellation of several engagements. The expiration of an almost continuous round of official functions in various parts of the country during the past week has proved a tax on the Prince's strength.

30,000 CANADIAN RAIL EMPLOYEES GET 8 CENT CUT

Tentative Agreement Not to Prejudice Pending Negotiations and General Revision.

AGREEMENT SIGNED BY LABOR LEADER

Locomotive and Car Departments of All Big Dominion Lines Affected.

Montreal, July 13.—Thirty thousand men are affected by the tentative agreement reached tonight by the Railway Association of Canada and the representatives of the locomotive and car departments of the leading Canadian railways.

The reduction in rate of wages effective immediately is 8 cents an hour, and the railways involved are the C. P. R., C. N. R., the Grand Trunk and the more important of the smaller Canadian railways. The agreement was signed at Grand Hall, vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway; the chairman of the operating committee representing the railways; and F. J. Tallon, president of the American Federation of Labor.

HEARD WIRELESS FOR 6,000 MILES

Vancouver Picks up a Message to Vessel Day Out of New Zealand.

Vancouver, B. C., July 13.—The Merchants' Exchange Wireless here this morning, picked up a message from the Canadian-Australian liner, Makura, which it is stated created a long distance record for the Pacific. The exchange wireless heard the liner giving her position, the vessel being about one day out of Auckland, N. Z. enroute to this port. The distance is more than 6,000 miles.

Deny Student To Blame For Death

Montreal, July 13.—Alfred Legere, fourth year medical student at University De Montreal, appeared today in the enquiry court on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Alice Lavallois, of Sorel, who died from the effects of an illegal operation on June 24th.

Vessel Breaking Up But Crew Is Safe

Turks Island Bahamas, July 13.—The General Pershing, a United States five-masted schooner, which left Norfolk, June 30 with a cargo of coal for Bremerton, west shore on Endymion Rock July 11. The vessel is breaking up fast, but the crew has been taken off and some materials and stores saved. The vessel has a gross tonnage of 2465.

SKULL IN BACKYARD

Halifax, N. S., July 13.—"I just found a dead man in my backyard," said Wm. Sockem, of 92 Carwilla street, rushing into the police station here tonight and dumping a bundle containing some bones including a skull and some teeth on the table. Sockem said he had been levelling off his yard when he made his gruesome discovery. Police officials expressed the opinion that the bones are those of a man, and said an investigation would be commenced at once.

MONCTON BABE FOUND IN CLUB BAG MURDERED

Strangled by Some Person or Persons Unknown to the Jury is Verdict.

YOUNG WOMAN TOO SICK TO TESTIFY

What Further Steps Will be Taken in the Matter Not Yet Decided.

Moncton, July 13.—The coroner's jury, inquiring into the death of a female infant, name unknown found in a club bag in a house occupied by Mrs. Cheek at 140 Robinson street, Moncton, on Saturday morning, July 9 this afternoon returned a verdict that the infant came to her death by strangulation at the hands of some person or persons unknown to the jury.

The hearing had been adjourned Saturday until this afternoon to get the evidence of Mrs. Cheek's daughter who was taken to the hospital seriously ill. The young woman was too ill to give evidence today and after several witnesses gave testimony the inquiry was closed.

What further steps will be taken in the matter is not yet known.

SUMMER COLONY FEARED FOREST FIRES AT HAND

Chelsea Made a Frantic Appeal to Ottawa for Assistance But Not Needed.

PULP COMPANY IS FIGHTING FLAMES

Fires Said to be Within Half Mile of Village But Running Parallel to Camps.

Ottawa, July 13.—Grave anxiety for the safety of the village of Chelsea, situated in the Gatineau Valley about nine miles from here, and for the safety of the lives and property of the numerous summer cottagers from Ottawa, was felt today following alarming reports that a bush fire which had broken out with renewed vigor and was threatening the settlement.

A local paper concern, with large timber holdings in the vicinity immediately organized a fire fighting crew, but these men on arrival at the scene of the conflagration found that although fire had undoubtedly increased in volume, the situation was well in hand and that the thickly inhabited area was not in any danger.

Wind Spreads Fire

The fire at its nearest point was over one half mile away and was running parallel with the settlement. About 3.30 tonight violent squalls of wind broke out from the north and the smoke from the fires became very dense in the Chelsea village. This, it is thought, created the false impression that the fire had become dangerous and was bearing down on the village. A call was received by Mayor Frank Plante, Ottawa, advising that a fire fighting apparatus be sent from Ottawa to fight the flames, but as the earlier reports were later discredited, none of the Ottawa force was called out.

Oppose Seeking More Settlers

Toronto, July 13.—A deputation of ratepayers today urged the Board of Control to petition the Dominion Government to stop advertising in Great Britain for immigrants. The suggestion was accepted and if the government declines to comply, the board will advertise Canadian unemployment conditions in the English papers.

NOT SHIPPING TO ONTARIO

Halifax, N. S., July 13.—Nova Scotia manufacturers of liquor have not for some time been accepting orders from Ontario. A. R. Wakely, chairman of the Nova Scotia Vendors' Commission announced tonight.

Mr. Wakely said the regulation prohibiting export to points outside the province came into effect last February.

CATHOLIC SECTION OF COOKSTOWN ATTACKED

London, July 13.—The Catholic quarter at Cookstown, County Tyrone, Ireland, was attacked today by persons alleged to be Unionists, says a despatch to the Central News from Belfast. Several persons were injured and one house was burned.

News of The World

CANADA

Jury declares Moncton baby found in club bag was strangled by some one unknown.

Twenty-three witnesses already examined in trial of O. Galus Steeves at Hopewell Cape, N. B., for murder of his wife.

Terrible rain and hail in Alberta destroy wide strip of crops completely.

Chelsea village, near Ottawa, feared forest fires would wipe it out and called for help from capital.

Vancouver wireless hears ship talking off New Zealand, 6,000 miles away.

Thirty thousand Canadian railway men accept 8 cents per hour cut—Fifteen per cent. reduction for others in effect already.

THE BRITISH ISLES

De Valera and Lloyd George spend day preparing for the conference this afternoon at Downing street.

Lord Northcliffe launches another broadside against Premier Lloyd George.

EUROPE

German officers at trial in the Llandovery Castle sinking declare they tried to save the ship from attack, but captain refused to be merciful.

ALBERTA SWEEP BY GREAT RAIN AND HAIL STORM

Strip Nearly Three Miles Wide and Hundred Long Losses Equire Crop.

CHICKENS KILLED BY THE ICE BALLS

Bow Island Got Over Two Inches of Rain in Less Than An Hour.

Lethbridge, Alta., July 13.—Parts of Alberta were visited by torrential rains Tuesday afternoon and night.

At Bow Island, two and one quarter inches of rain fell in 15 minutes. This is the heaviest rain in the history of that district. At Nobleton, hail fell for twenty minutes, damaging a strip about 1.2 miles wide and ten miles in length.

Chin was also visited by hail but the damage there was considerably less. The big Nobleton farms lost 1,500 acres, or one-eighth of their crop.

The Medicine Hat district nearly one-half inch of rain fell during the last 24 hours.

Hail Extent Wider.

Later reports of the hail storm which struck southern Alberta on Tuesday evening indicate that it was much wider in extent than first reports showed. The storm gathered in the foothills west of Claresholm, Nobleton, Coalville and Chin districts, swinging south through Skiff on the Lethbridge-Weyburn branch of the C. P. R. The storm in width from one to three miles and the loss of the crop in its path was nearly total. The length of the storm path was approximately a hundred miles.

All crops but two on the Canadian Pacific Railway and on the Van Hornes soldier colony north of Coalville in the irrigated belt, were wiped out. Chickens were killed by the force of the storm in some districts.

SEARCH SEAS BY WIRELESS TO GET CHILD

Kidnapped Baby Girl Now Thought to be on Vessel Bound for Cuba.

WOMAN FURNISHES THE FIRST CLUE

Nervous Passenger With Crying Child Arrived on Board as Ship Sailed.

New York, July 13.—The police of Jersey City were combing the Atlantic coast by wireless today in an effort to locate Margaret, the nine-month-old baby of Mrs. Margaret Simpson Torrens, who was kidnapped last Thursday from the home of her grandfather at Pompton Lakes, N. J. The attention of the police was turned seaward by a woman who asked the police to withhold her name. She said that she believed the missing child was aboard the steamship *Fruit* line, bound for Cuba.

The police said that the woman is the wife of an officer of the vessel and that she was aboard the ship aboard the hour of sailing. When attention to a woman with a baby who had come on the ship very early in the day. The officer's wife declared that the woman appeared to be extremely nervous and that the child cried incessantly.

It was stated last night that the vessel slipped through the police net, although a strict watch on all vessels had been ordered, because the police were devoting most of their attention to ships sailing from New Jersey ports.

Although John Sampson, grandfather of the missing baby, has offered to pay any amount to aid in the recovery of the child, the police and detectives apparently were no nearer capture of the kidnappers.

FRENCH VISITOR TO CANADA DIES

Prof. Lippman Passes Away on Ocean While on His Way Home.

Paris, July 13.—Professor Lippman of the Academy of Sciences, who was a member of the French mission which visited Canada recently to study the conservation of the principle of the conservation of energy, died on board the steamer *France* as he was returning from America.

A wireless message from the *France* which is due at Havre tomorrow, conveyed word of the death of the eminent physicist.

Professor Gabriel Lippman was the winner of the Nobel prize for physics in 1908. He served as professor in the University of Paris since 1885. He enunciated the principle of the conservation of energy, and discovered, in 1891, a method of photographing in colors.

ANTI-BRITISH FILM IS OUT

"Spirit of '76" That Got Producer a War Jail Sentence to be Shown Now.

New York, July 13.—Robert Goldstein, who, in 1917, was sentenced to ten years imprisonment for violation of the Espionage Act in connection with the authorship and production of a thirteen reel film known as the "Spirit of '76," a work of propaganda to arouse animosity in the United States against the British Government, has had his sentence commuted and been released after serving three years.

He announced today that he intends to exhibit the film and has hired a hall in the city where, according to arrangements, the first exhibition will be given tomorrow night.

An Anti-Britisher

The All-American Film Company which is sponsor for the production, headed by James S. Kelly, an official of a brokers' company started last September to induce the withdrawal of insurance from British Government bonds. A complaint against the film at the time of its production was that British soldiers were depicted as murdering United States children on the tips of their bayonets and carrying off the girls.

OCEAN VERY DUSTY

Washington, July 13.—It was very dusty on the ocean the other day. A carton of dust was received at the Weather Bureau, today, which was gathered from the decks of the American merchantman *Santa Rosalia* and sent here in connection with the gathering of dust on the day in question that sailing was hazardous, due to impairment of visibility. The *Santa Rosalia* was in the Yellow Sea and during a violent storm a few days before in Mongolia, fine yellow sand was carried hundreds of miles to sea.

RAILWAY WAGE CUT EFFECTIVE SINCE JULY 1 50 MEN ARE TOLD

Montreal, July 13.—Members of railway labor organizations, whose officials have been in consultation with the companies this week, today announced that they had virtually received notice that the average reduction of 12 per cent. in wages would be effective from July 1.

A conference between shop officials of the Canadian Railway Association, took place today, when a variety of matters affecting wages and working conditions were under consideration. All conferences will be completed next week.

ON PROMISE OF MARRIAGE MAID STOLE BIG SUM

When Arrested Girl Gives Name of Man Who Induced \$50,000 Thefts.

"YOU DOUBLE-CROSSED ME—NOW I'VE TOLD"

Maid Alleged to Have Given Full Details of Numerous New York Crimes.

New York, July 13.—Elwood Adams, 22, stepson of Dr. Charles B. Adams of 47 Irving place, was arrested yesterday and held in the East Fifty-first street station after he had been confronted by Miss Joan Cunningham, 27, a housemaid, who accused him of having induced her on the promise that he would marry her to rob the homes in which she has been employed since last February of jewelry and valuables worth \$50,000.

Miss Cunningham, who was arrested in the Pennsylvania Station Saturday night, faced Adams at the Detention House on Blackwell's island, where the man was taken when he made a denial of the charge following his arrest.

Adams from a line-up of prisoners with the remark: "I know you double crossed me. Sorry I had to do this, but I've made a clean breast of it."

The man was removed, but later in the East Fifty-first street station he broke down and signed a written confession, according to the detectives. In this confession he is said to have substantiated Miss Cunningham's story that she stole jewelry valued at \$5,000 from the home of Laurence Crawford, a broker, who lives at 125 East Fifty-sixth street, and that he disposed of it.

ENGINEERS TAKE WAGE REDUCTION

Substantial Majority in Favor of Acceptance of Slash of Three Shillings Per Week.

London, July 13.—The engineering unions today voted in favor of accepting the wage reduction proposed by the employers. There was a substantial majority in favor of acceptance.

The wage cut was provisionally accepted at a conference held June 29 between representatives of the employers and the engineers, acceptance being subject to the result of a ballot among the men, to be held within a fortnight.

The immediate cut will amount to three shillings a week and seven and a half per cent. on piece work, effective July 17. Other adjustments are to be made later.

More Seeking Beds Than In Winter

Montreal, July 13.—How bad the employment situation is here is shown by the large crowds which are nightly besieging the Brewery Mission for beds and which are greater in number in mid-summer than in the depths of an average winter. D. H. Scott, superintendent of the mission, said tonight that conditions were getting worse every night.

Arrested When He Trod On Cop's Toes

San Francisco, Cal., July 13.—Veron Johnson stepped on a policeman's toes today and was arrested for disturbing the peace. He told the police judge that it was the policeman who disturbed the peace. The case was dismissed.

WESTERN PIONEER DEAD

Edmonton, Alta., July 13.—Joe McDonald, aged 87 years, one of the oldest and most picturesque citizens of Edmonton, died today. Mr. McDonald had been in intimate touch with everything in this part of the country for the last sixty years. In 1887 he crossed the Rockies with the famous Palliser expedition.

DE VALERA TO SUBMIT OFFER TO THE IRISH

Whatever is Accepted by the London Conference Must be Laid Before the Dail Eirann.

PRESIDENT AND PREMIER PREPARE

Truce is Well Observed Everywhere in Ireland With Exception of Belfast District.

London, July 13.—The Prime Minister, Mr. Lloyd George, and Eamon De Valera, the Irish Republican leader, spent a busy day today preparing for their final meeting at 4.30 o'clock Thursday afternoon in Mr. Lloyd George's official residence at No. 10 Downing street, at which the Prime Minister and Mr. De Valera will discuss the basis of the conference which will endeavor to settle the Irish problem.

Both in Conferences

Mr. Lloyd George went to Chequer Court, his country residence, early in the day with some of his advisors to go over the situation and arrange the suggestions he will make to the Irish Republican leader. The latter held conferences with Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein organization, and other leaders of the Sinn Fein movement in the London headquarters of the Southern Irish delegation. That arrangements for the conference will be made little doubt is felt here, but the outcome of the meeting depends upon whether its proposals will meet with the approval of the Dail Eirann, or Irish Republican Parliament, to which Mr. De Valera is expected to submit the British proposals.

Truce in Most Places

Meanwhile, the South and West of Ireland are enjoying at least the temporary peace brought about by the truce. But in the north, and especially around Belfast, there has been fighting between the Sinn Feiners and Unionists, which is reported in the south, where the Unionists are held responsible for the disorders.

This morning Mr. De Valera presided over a meeting of his supporters in his hotel. The Republican leader did not sleep in the hotel last night. After some discussion with his friends, with Mr. O'Brien, president of the Gaelic League in London, left the hotel late last night for an unnamed destination. He stayed with friends with whom he will remain during his whole visit to London, using the hotel merely as the headquarters of the delegation.

Twelve Members Present

Dublin, July 13.—Ten members of the Senate and only two members of the lower house attended today's session of the Southern Irish Parliament. The lower house adjourned until this morning. Mr. De Valera is expected to pass a resolution of thanks to King George for his Belfast speech, which made the present situation in Ireland possible.

N. S. VILLAGE IN SERIOUS DANGER

Picnic Party Had to Abandon Pleasures to Save Morden from Destruction.

Kentville, N. S., July 13.—Several hours' hard work on the part of two hundred motor carloads of fire fighters, recruited from the surrounding county and from a Sunday school picnic at Morden, prevented a fire which originated in a blueberry bog at Aylesford this morning, from destroying the western portion of the village. The fire, said to have started as a result of some bog-burning, yesterday for a time seriously threatened Aylesford.

Prince of Sweden Contracts The Fever

Stockholm, July 13.—Prince William of Sweden, was suddenly taken ill with malaria during his hunting expedition in the Belgian Congo, and his condition is serious. It was announced here today. The prince, who is the second son of King Gustav, was stricken with a similar illness during his visit to Central America last year. He has been in Africa several months Queen Victoria. It was also announced, has suffered a recurrence of her ear trouble, becoming ill during a visit to the Far Northern Swedish counties.

TODAY

IMPERIAL—Wanda Hawley in "Food for Scandal."

OPERA HOUSE—Jack Root Musical Comedy Co.

QUEEN SQUARE—Conway Tearle in "Marooned Hearts."

STAR—"Milestones" and Canadian Educational Pictures.