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## GERMANY DOUBTS KAISER'S WORD

### DISSATISFACTION OVER POTSDAM AUDIENCE

"Incident" Marks Opening of Struggle Between the Crown and People.

Berlin, Nov. 19.—Two days have passed since Emperor William made his statement to Chancellor Von Buelow regarding his observations in the future of the constitutional requirements of the Empire in the matter of interfering in the foreign relations of the state, and the German people are even less satisfied with the Imperial assurances than in the beginning. There is throughout the country an almost universal tendency to doubt the sincerity of the Emperor's promises. In fact the people seem to be thoroughly dissatisfied with the Imperial assurances as conveyed by the Reichstag speaker. The press does not hesitate to intimate that the Emperor will not fulfil his implied obligations to leave the conduct of the nations affairs to the responsible ministers, and in some quarters his words are almost classified as untrue.

The matter will not be allowed to rest by the Reichstag if the indications of to-day are fulfilled and there is reason to believe that the contest between the crown and the people has only begun. To-day many of the parliamentary groups are holding private sessions to decide what course shall be adopted. Chancellor Von Buelow made a lengthy speech in the Reichstag to-day on the new measure to increase the Imperial revenues. The house was only half filled. He spoke in praise of the British and French methods of finance, and the sinking fund and concluded amid mingled cheers and hisses with these words: "Germans desire quiet at home and abroad, but their duty is to pay more taxes."

Bavarian View.  
Munich, Nov. 19.—Public feeling here is not satisfied with the results of the interview last Tuesday between Chancellor Von Buelow and Emperor William. This meeting is regarded as a practical failure because nothing clear and definite has followed it. The Chancellor may be convinced, it is argued here, that the Emperor will not in the future, but the public men of Bavaria and the Bavarian press are waiting the months to come in order to see for themselves to what extent the Imperial practice will be changed. The Bayerischer Kurier expresses the hope that the Bundesrat will foreign strongly the personal policy in foreign affairs; and the Munich Zeitung says the audience was disappointing. The Neuste Nachrichten says: "We can only hope that the Imperial promises will be kept. An urgent obligation rests upon the Reichstag."

An Imperial "Bridge."  
Dresden, Nov. 19.—The newspapers and public of Dresden greet Emperor William's explanation as in the main satisfactory. The Anzeiger affirms that His Majesty has said enough to facilitate Prince von Buelow's task as a responsible statesman and to build a bridge between himself and the nation. "Vague Assurances."  
Stuttgart, Nov. 19.—There is much confusion here regarding the proper construction to be given the vague assurances made by Emperor William to Chancellor Von Buelow last Tuesday. The local newspapers hold different opinions. The Merkur accepts the result as bringing relief to the uncertainty of the people and says a new course now will be steered.

Kaiser's Self Denial.  
Augsburg, Nov. 19.—The Abend Zeitung to-day says that Emperor William has shown his deeds to be better than his words and that his acts must have meant a great degree of self denial.

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## CALIFORNIAN SOCCER PLAYERS POSTPONE TOUR

Team Will Now Visit Victoria and Vancouver Next April.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 19.—A letter from Sam Goodman, honorary secretary of the California Football Association, this morning says the Californians have unanimously agreed to yield to the suggestion of Will Ellis, of Vancouver, and others, and postpone the projected tour of a picked team from the C. F. A. until next April or thereabouts. Portland, too, was strongly opposed to the tour during the Christmas season.

SENTENCED TO DEATH.

Brampton, Ont., Nov. 19.—Stofan Saverza was found guilty of having murdered Olaf Lonic and sentenced to be hanged in February.

## CASA BLANCA INCIDENT.

Composition of Hague Court Which Will Settle Affair.

Paris, Nov. 19.—The Casa Blanca dispute between France and Germany is to be submitted to the arbitration of a commission of five members. This body will consist of M. Renault and Herr Krige, respectively, the French and German permanent delegates at the Hague Tribunal, two members who have not yet been appointed and a fifth selected by these four.

## C. P. R. APPOINTMENTS.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 19.—C. P. R. changes announced to-day were: James H. Macgregor, assistant superintendent of the car service department in Winnipeg, retires, and Allan Purvis, superintendent at Souris, goes to Nelson as superintendent. D. C. Coleman, superintendent at Nelson, succeeds Mr. Macgregor here.

## WORLD'S RICHEST MAN ON STAND

### ROCKEFELLER TELLS STORY OF HIS MILLIONS

"Progress to Wealth Seems Like a Dream," Says Oil Magnate.

New York, Nov. 19.—Relating his story with the aid of a country gentleman of kindly mind engaging a host of friends with incidents of days long past, John D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil Company, though for nearly ten years retired from active business cares, for over two hours yesterday reviewed the history of the early oil trade and the development of the first companies that later grew into the present so-called oil trust.

Mr. Rockefeller was a witness for the defence in the suit to dissolve the Standard Oil Company which is being prosecuted by the United States government, and made his appearance at the hearing before former Judge Franklin Ferris, the referee, passing through a large crowd to the customs building. The head of the big oil company was surrounded by an imposing circle of counsel, and when he began his testimony he gazed complacently upon a swarm of newspaper men, behind whom pressed close a throng of people that filled the room. Mr. Rockefeller appeared at complete ease, and when John G. Millburn, of counsel for the Standard Oil Company, propounded his first question, the witness spoke in full tones, as if he desired the most distant spectator in the chamber to hear. In a manner that indicated pleasure at what he was about to tell, Mr. Rockefeller spoke of his start in the oil business and how under adverse conditions that business grew to the present position of the Standard Oil Company of Ohio, with its capitalization of \$1,000,000.

Mr. Rockefeller's eyes sparkled in reflecting on that early financial organization and speaking of its million dollar capitalization with almost boyish enthusiasm, he said: "It seemed very large to us, who began with only \$4,000 in 1862."

Thus the proceedings began in a sense their official aspect because of the engaging manner which Mr. Rockefeller displayed in his answers, which now and then contained flashes of kindly humor. His glow of health showed in Mr. Rockefeller's smooth-shaven face, and to inquiring newspaper men he replied that he never felt better.

The president of the Standard Oil Company was dressed in a plain business suit of dark material and across his vest was suspended a heavy gold watch chain. A dark purple necktie, in which a large pearl pin was set, surrounded a high collar. The development of Mr. Rockefeller's testimony, which carried him to the organization of the Standard Oil Company of Ohio, indicated that one of the lines of the defence would be that the Standard company is not the result of any aggressive policy to obtain mastery of the oil trade, as charged, but rather the natural outcome of an economic development.

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## DAVIS CUP TEST.

Australia's Tennis Champions Display Great Form in Trial Match.

Melbourne, Australia, Nov. 19.—There is keen interest in the forthcoming Davis cup tennis trial match which yesterday Brookes and Wilding easily defeated Dunlop and Heath, Australia's next best pair. The play of Brookes was especially magnificent.

## RETIREES FROM NORTHERN BANK.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 19.—J. W. O'Grady, who retired from the service of the Northern Bank as its assistant manager yesterday, will devote his time to private interests. R. Campbell, who has been in the bank since 1880, has been appointed acting general manager.

## SITUATION IS WELL IN HAND

### PLEA TO POWERS FOR NEW RULERS OF CHINA

Confidence Created by Way in Which Throne Passed Through Crisis.

Peking, Nov. 19.—Prince Ching, president of the board of foreign affairs, has forwarded direct to all the powers friendly to China, a personal letter in the name of Pu Wei, the infant Emperor of China, setting forth the crisis through which the throne has passed during the last week. These communications make a plea for the new rulers of China, who are accustomed to Chinese procedure and emphasize the efficiency with which the events of the past week have been conducted. Several of the foreign legations here have expressed their surprise and gratification at the manner in which the government is managing the situation.

It had been expected up to the present time, that the death of the Dowager Empress would precipitate trouble, but the way in which the new government has assumed its responsibilities has created confidence among the diplomatists and many of the foreign observers declare that China has done as well under the trying circumstances as any other government confronted with similar difficulties. The provinces still are quiet and the governmental machinery continues to work well.

The autumn manoeuvres of the Chinese army have been carried out, but otherwise they are being curtailed according to the original programme. Future of Empire Safe.  
Shanghai, Nov. 19.—The recent events at Peking have been fully reported here and it is felt that the future of the Empire is safe, providing that the regent, Prince Chun, retains the services and the support of Yuan Shi Kai and Chang Chi Tung, the two members of the grand council, who are the strongest of the present day statesmen of China. There is no fear here that the revolutionary societies will make trouble, and no troops have been sent from Shanghai or its vicinity to Peking.

The prince regent is regarded here as a good man, but inexperienced in affairs of the government and is weak. The fact that he is in daily consultation with Chang Chi Tung is regarded as a favorable indication.

The "Valedictory" of the late Emperor, issued in the form of an imperial decree at Peking, extols Ching's virtues and accords him praise for the reform he introduced in the matter of schools, local industries, railroad construction, mining development, but particularly the promise to put the empire on a basis of constitutional government within nine years. This decree is considered the key to the policy of the new government.

Yuan Shi Kai is superintending the funeral obsequies of the late Emperor, and there is no indication here that he has lost any of his influence or power.

The temporary suspension of a number of native banking firms in Peking has had no effect upon financial conditions at large. The difficulties of these institutions resulted from the fact that they were the local depositors of imperial funds.

Era of Reform.  
Peking, Nov. 19.—An official of the foreign board of the government in reply to a direct request to-day gave formal assurance that the new administration would promote with vigor the reforms inaugurated by the late Emperor Kwang Su. A number of edicts with a political bearing have been promulgated since November 15th, and they all show that a progressive and modern government for the Chinese empire is intended, several specific reforms have been entered for fulfillment under the regency of Prince Chun.

Wild Rumor Refuted.  
Peking, Nov. 19.—There is absolutely no truth in the report telegraphed here from Singapore and elsewhere to the effect that Peking is in flames and in the hands of a mob and that Prince Ching, president of the foreign board, is dead. Nor is the Dowager Empress Yichonala ill. Official denial to these various rumors was given to-day and telegraphed by the government abroad.

## KING GUSTAV IN LONDON.

London, Nov. 19.—The King and Queen of Sweden who are at present in England as the guests of King Edward at Windsor, paid a state visit to London yesterday, and were entertained by the Lord Mayor and the corporation of London. An address was presented to the King of Sweden in a gold casket.

## NO RECOUNT IN DAUPHIN.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 19.—As it would be impossible to serve Glen Campbell with papers, Judge Ryan refused to-day a recount in Dauphin at the request of Mr. Burrows.



A TWO-HANDED COMPLIMENT. The English press, while welcoming cordially the German Emperor's Expressions of friendship, states that six more Dreadnoughts will be laid down next year.

## PROHIBITION GAINS IN NEW ZEALAND

(Special to the Times).  
Wellington, N. Z., Nov. 19.—The election returns show the prohibition vote will be largely increased. Prohibition has been voted in nine electorates. The prohibition party estimates that 150 public houses will be closed and a number of licenses cancelled. Premier Ward claims a very solid majority, while the opposition leader claims he gained five seats and has not lost one.

## SCOTLAND YARD 'TEC SEEKING MURDERER

Clue to Seven Oaks Crime Brings Inspector Jarvis to Manitoba.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 19.—Inspector Jarvis, of Scotland Yard, London, is searching railway camps east of here for a man suspected of the murder of Lady Luard, Sevenoaks, England, a few weeks ago, which crime was followed by the suicide of her husband. Mr. Jarvis is a man of great reputation. He is the man who collected damning evidence against Oscar Wilde and arrested him in a fashionable London hotel.

## SETTLERS SENTENCED FOR KILLING "CLAIM JUMPER"

Fourteen Men Plead Guilty to Valley County, Mont., Crime.

Great Falls, Mont., Nov. 19.—Fourteen men charged with murder in Valley county yesterday pleaded guilty to manslaughter and were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment. The crime to which these 14 men pleaded guilty was an attack upon the cabin of John Hayes and his family, which resulted in the death of Hayes and his daughter. Hayes had "jumped" a claim which Walter Long had taken and the settlers decided to rid the country of "claim jumpers." They joined Long in warning Hayes to leave the country and when he did not go they went to the cabin at night, shot through it and attempted to set fire to it. In all 16 persons were arrested for the crime. The first trial was that of Walter Long. It was long and expensive and resulted in his conviction to 35 years imprisonment. Then followed the trial of his brother, Miles, who was sentenced to 21 years in prison. Two of the men turned state's evidence and they got off with a jail sentence.

## SEEKING TO ATTRACT EMIGRANTS TO B. C.

Hon. A. G. Tatlow Visits Newspaper Offices in Liverpool, England.

Liverpool, Nov. 19.—R. G. Tatlow, finance minister of British Columbia, and W. E. Scott visited the offices of the Post Mercury with the object of bringing more prominently under their notice the claims of British Columbia to preferential selection for intending emigrants, especially those who may be influenced by the bugbear of Canadian snows and the cold season, which may be correct to some extent elsewhere, but is not so in British Columbia.

## LIBERALS RETURNED BY SMALL MAJORITY

Election Results in Prince Edward Island—Conservative Gains.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Nov. 19.—The standing of the parties in the elections held here yesterday now are, Liberals, 16; Conservatives, 14. The Liberals, however, claim a majority of four, while the Conservatives say the result will be an even break.

Both leaders are elected, Premier Hesse's majority is increased, and Leader Mathieson's is cut down pretty close.

Conservatives now claim six members from Prince, one from Queens and eight from Kings. Pretty full returns give sixteen government and fourteen opposition.

Electing by counties: Kings—Liberals: McDonald, Cox, McLean, Conservatives: McLean, McDonald, Morson, McKinnon, Prowse, Mathieson, McDonald.

Prince—Liberals: Gallant, Agnew, McWilliams, Richards. Conservatives: Doble, Arsenault, J. Kennedy, Delaney, McNeil, Wyatt.

Queens—Liberals: Smith, McMillan, Laird, Cumiskey, Palmer, Hassard, Irving, Hughes, Warburton. Wm. Reid, commissioner of agriculture, and J. Read are among the defeated Liberals, the latter losing by a few votes. The last house stood 21 Liberals, 9 Conservatives.

## IMPERIAL PRESS CONFERENCE.

Toronto, Nov. 19.—W. F. McLean, M. P. of the World; Rev. J. A. MacDonald, of the Globe, and J. E. Atkinson, of the Star, were yesterday selected by the newspaper publishers of Toronto to represent the city press at the Imperial Press conference to be held in London next June.

## MAY BECOME PART OF EMPIRE

NO FURTHER TROUBLE IN ST. PIERRE, MIQUELON

Suggestion That France Transfer Islands to Great Britain.

Paris, Nov. 19.—Advices received to-day at the ministry of colonies say there has been no renewal of the disturbances at St. Pierre, Miquelon, the French island off the coast of Newfoundland, where there has been trouble for the past two or three days over the school question. The situation has been taken under consideration by the ministry, but no steps yet have been decided upon.

The discontent in the islands is attributed principally to the disastrous operation of the Anglo-French treaty of 1864. Satisfaction is expressed here at the correct attitude maintained by the American consul. This official refrained from appearing on the balcony of the consulate in answer to the reiterated calls of the people during their demonstrations.

The government is now considering the suggestion made in London that the islands be transferred to Great Britain in consideration of territory transferred elsewhere.

## RAILWAYS UNABLE TO HANDLE GRAIN TRADE

No Cars Forthcoming for Million Bushels of Wheat in Claresholme District.

Claresholme, Alta., Nov. 19.—C. W. Carman, a bonanza farmer of this district, declares he will never market another bushel of wheat in Alberta because the C. P. R. failed to supply cars to him in August. Mr. Carman sold thirty thousand bushels of wheat to a Calgary firm for October delivery. The grain was harvested in August and stored in bins on the fields. A traction engine was hitched to a long train of wheat wagons preparatory to hauling this quantity over 35 miles of trail to the railroad. But Mr. Carman waited two months for the cars until the time of delivery was past. He is now tired of waiting and will give up farming.

Mr. Carman is going to the Pacific coast where he will await the railway's ability to relieve the situation. Over a million bushels of wheat are in the farmers' bins in Claresholme district, awaiting cars.

## RUMORS OF AN ELECTION

### PREMIER McBRIDE MAY APPEAL TO COUNTRY

Next Session Will Probably Be Final One of Present Parliament.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

With the conclusion of the federal election campaign, attention is attracted to the coming session of the provincial legislature. While the time has not yet been officially announced when the House shall assemble for business it is generally conceded by members of the government that it will be called together early in January so that business may be completed before the summer.

There is a feeling that after the present session the Premier may appeal to the country. The parliament would still have another session to run but there are rumors that instead of living out the full length of his term, Hon. Mr. McBride may take the opportunity to appeal to the country. The late Dominion election was participated in by the members of the local government to a very large extent. The Premier and his colleagues in fact took charge of the campaign in the province on behalf of the Conservatives.

The organization affected would serve in large part for the purposes of the local campaign. It is regarded in many circles as not at all unlikely that the approaching session may be the last one before the election.

The question of a local option measure will undoubtedly come before the House this session again. A few years ago one was introduced by John Evans, then member for Cowichan, which was defeated. During the past year there has been a special campaign conducted throughout the province by those who favor prohibition of the liquor traffic and petitions will be presented praying for a local option measure.

The course of the government on this question will be watched with interest.

## LABOR MINISTRY IS FAITHFUL TO BRITAIN

Prime Minister Fisher Defines His Attitude on Imperial Matters.

Melbourne, Australia, Nov. 19.—Prime Minister Fisher says the attitude of his party towards Imperial affairs is not essentially different from Deakin's. The Laborites' objective in Imperial matters provides for free development of loyal ideas. He is satisfied, Australia, can reach her national destiny under the aegis of the British crown and empire. He does not anticipate the same effects from preferential as ex-Prime Minister Deakin. While holding that an Australian navy is necessary, he agreed that the Commonwealth must maintain her connection with the Imperial navy.

## SIR HENRI JOLY'S FUNERAL

Large Number Pay Last Tribute to Deceased Politician.

Quebec, Nov. 19.—The funeral of the late Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere took place yesterday afternoon from the Anglican Cathedral.

The cortege was an imposing one, being attended by a very large number of mourners, who included Lieut.-Governor Pelletier, Premier Gouin and members of his cabinet who were in the city, besides other leading citizens.

Services were conducted by the Very Rev. Dean Williams, who recited the prayers, while the Lord Bishop read the lesson and pronounced the benediction. Most of the city clergy occupied seats in the chancel. The interment took place at Mount Hermon cemetery.

## C. P. R. UNION LEADERS HAVE BEEN DEPOSED

Outcome of Recent Mechanics' Strike—P. Kennedy Now President.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 19.—The union leaders have been deposed, P. Kennedy, of the Machinists' union, succeeds Bell Hardy as president of the C. P. R. Mechanics Federation. A. R. Mowatt, of the Carmen's union, is vice-president, and James Somerville succeeds Mr. McVety as secretary-treasurer. Through Sir T. Shaughnessy, the company has given assurance to the union that no more new men will be engaged until such time as all their former employees have been given a preference. The headquarters of the federation will be in Montreal for the present.