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LLOYD GEORGE OPENS THE CONFERENCE WITH REVIEW OF EMPIRE'S NEW POLICY

Outlines What Each Part of the Empire May Expect to Get from Germany.

PREMIER MEIGHEN MAKES FIRST REPLY

Tells Premier What He Regards as Chief Problems Conference Has to Consider.

London, June 20.—(By Grattan O'Leary, Canadian Press staff correspondent)—In the opening address of the Premiers' conference today David Lloyd George, British Prime Minister, gave a lengthy and complete review of the foreign policy of Great Britain during the year. The governments of the various dominions have been kept fully informed of the various steps taken, and today the British Prime Minister reviewed the details of all the action and policies; explaining the stand taken by Great Britain at the Supreme Allied Conference at the Spa, and the reasons underlying it, as well as the position of the British Government in respect to Poland and Silesia.

Reparations.

He also dealt with the question of reparations, outlining his conclusions and indicating the amounts likely to be accruing to the various parts of the Empire. He expressed the conviction that the amount of the indemnity fixed was not beyond Germany's capacity to pay.

Mr. Lloyd George also briefly summarized the events leading up to the present conference of premiers, emphasizing the point that they were meeting as co-equal partners in a common empire, and that so far as the British Government was concerned, it had no desire to press its policies upon the gatherings. Touching on the renewal of the Japanese alliance, the Prime Minister said that the British Governments were desirous of ascertaining the views of the dominions and approached the subject with a perfectly open mind.

Hon. Mr. Meighen.

Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, representing the senior dominion, was the first speaker on the programme, after Lloyd George. Mr. Meighen confined himself merely to a parliamentary statement of his understanding of the scope and functions of the conference. He would not, he said, deal with subjects on the agenda, for the present preferring to deal with them as taken up in order. After Premier Meighen's statement, the conference adjourned for the day, the other premiers preferring to delay their remarks until after consideration had been given to the address of Premier Lloyd George.

It is understood that General Smuts, South African representative, will make a lengthy address on the British foreign policy in regard to steps arising out of the controversy of Versailles which it will be recalled he subjected to some criticism in Paris.

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GOMPERS WILL RUN FOR PRESIDENCY AGAIN

Denver, Colo., June 20.—President Gompers announced that he will be a candidate for re-election of the A. F. of L. in the following statement:

"The delegates to the convention will determine who shall be their officers, and if they see fit to re-elect their president they will have the opportunity. My name will go before the convention and it will not be withdrawn."

GERMAN JOBLESS DEMAND WORKERS GIVE UP POSTS

Wild Riot When Unemployed Attack Union Assembly and Beat Up President.

THINK THEIR TURN FOR WORK AT HAND

Police Had Difficult Task to Save Leader from Death at Mob's Hands.

Berlin, June 20—Thousands of unemployed workmen today entered the labor union assembly and demanded that all workmen who had had steady employment should give up their jobs in order that the idle workmen might be employed. The president of the labor union assembly was badly beaten with blackjacks and left bleeding on the floor.

The fight spread until 5,000 persons were embroiled, using fists, chairs and sticks. Repeated alarms brought several hundred police to the scene, who cleared the building after the uproar had continued for two hours.

Rumored One Dead.

The injured president was taken to a nearby restaurant, the doors of which were locked. The unemployed demonstrators, however, attacked this building, broke in the doors and windows and demolished the furniture. The president was taken out by the back way and hurried to a place of security. A rumor that the president had died, although it was officially denied by the police, added to the excitement.

The trouble began while the labor union council was in session. The unemployed were holding a demonstration outside the building and sent delegates into the hall to lay their demands before the council. Immediately these were made the council broke up its session and fighting began.

MORE AT WORK IN MARITIME

Increased Employment in Sugar Refineries and Lumber Mills Reported for May.

Ottawa, June 20.—The report for the employment services of Canada shows an increase in employment of six per cent. for the week ending May 14. During that week 5,322 firms reported total working forces of 614,857 as against 611,089 for the previous wek. The most noticeable gain occurred in the lumber, sugar, biscuit, candy, transportation and building industries. Contractions were found in textiles, electric power production and musical instruments. Marked reductions were shown in the iron and steel industries. The maritime district showed only a small favorable balance, occasioned mainly by increases in sugar refineries and lumber mills Partially off-setting these gains were losses in coal mining, and to a lesser degree in textiles.

DOMINION CREDIT EXCHANGE

Montreal, June 20—The Dominion Credit Exchaige, an organization of business men with representatives from Halifax to Vancouver, is holding its tenth annual convention here After a brief meeting for business today, the delegates were entertained by a drive around the mountain, following by an excursion on the river. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected tomorrow.

SIR DONALD MacMASTER.

London, June 20.—Friends in Canada of Sir Donald MacMaster, K. C., will be pleased by an assurance given by him from his sick room that he is making steady, if slow, progress towards recovery from the serious operation he underwent six weeks ago.

Sir Donald states that as soon as he is sufficiently restored in health he intends with lady MacMaster to take another holiday trip to Canada.

Escaped Prisoners Caught at Moncton

Pair Stopped Flight When One Officer Opened Fire—Both Back in Dorchester.

Moncton, June 20—Lirette and Voutour, twoprisoners awaiting trial on charges of theft, who escaped from county jail at Dorchetser on Sunday morning, were recaptured this morning by Sheriff Killam and Special Constable McDougall at Meadowbrook after an exciting chase. The prisoners escaped by means of a key secured in some mysterious way. In the cells of the prisoners' was found a couple of hack-saws.

Sheriff Killam and Constable McDougall located the escaped men in a barn at Meadowbrook this morning. When discovered the prisoners made a dash for the woods with the officers in pursuit. One of the men put up his hands when the sheriff fired a warning shot, and after he was handcuffed the other man was found hiding in a ditch. Both were taken back to Dorchester. An automobile stolen from Moncton was found by Sheriff Killam on the Scoudouc Road in the ditch, and in the same locality a man named Bourque lost two horses. The horses were later found near Moncton. It is supposed that the auto thieves, after ditching the car, stole the horses to get back to Moncton.

ALLEGED MILITIA FRAUDS

Ottawa, June 20.—Evidence was taken in a private session of the police court this afternoon in connection with the alleged frauds in exchange from the militia department. It is understood that the evidence was concerned with W. G. Domoney, now in England, who was formerly in the militia department here.

TALK RAIL PLANS.

Whitby, Ont., June 20.—Sir Joseph Flavelle, President Howard G. Kelley, of the Grand Trunk Railway and President D. B. Hanna, of the C. N. R. held a conference in this city with reference to co-operation plans affecting the two railway systems.

SUNDAY TURKEY DINNERS SCORED BY PREACHERS

Jazz Music Does Not Meet with Their Approval Either.

London, Ont., June 20.—The London Ministerial Alliance in session here today bitterly assailed "Sunday turkey dinners, bathing and jazz music from dawn until midnight."

A resolution condemning this pleasure was forwarded to the Dominion Lord's Day Alliance for initial action.

CAPT. J. C. BERNIER SAYS CANADIAN GOVERNMENT LAX

By Discovery Canada Has First Claim on "No Man's Land."

OFFERS TO SAIL AT ONCE FOR NORTHLAND

If Government Will Allow He Would Place Canadian Flag Over Baffin's Land.

Quebec, June 20.—J. E. Bernier, discussing the expedition being fitted up by the American explorer Captain Donald B. MacMillan,, to sail on July 10, from Wiscasset, for Baffin's Land, said he could not understand why the Canadian government should allow this American seamen to go and claim the valuable assets of the Arctic Islands after Canada had been the first to discover them.

"I discovered Baffin's Land," said Captain Bernier, " and if the government will only sell me the steamer Arctic, I will immediately set sail and claim Baffin's Land and the surrounding islands for Canada. I know Captain Donald MacMillan, who has been engaged in Arctic explorations work and deprecate the fact that he should be allowed to go to Baffin's Land and reap the benefits of my earlier discoveries .

The mistake the government made at the time I discovered Baffin's Land was not to name the governor or administrator. If this had been done, Canada today would be the owner of all the islands in the Arctic zone, known as "No Man's Land." I am well aware of the fact that there are a wealth of mineral deposits, including coal and even silver, on these islands.

ADMIRAL SIMS' RETURN QUIET

No One Will Be Allowed to Reach Pier Where He Will Arrive Wednesday.

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New York, June 20—When the Olympic, on which Rear Admiral Sims is returning to the United States by order of Secretary Denby docks Wednesday, it will be at a bare pier.

Officials of the line decided today, after a conference with port officials, to exclude the public "to avoid discrimination." There have been many reports that proponents and opponents of the admiral's London speech in which he dealt with Irish-Americans, were planning demonstrations of opposite nature. The pier will be heavily policed.

Sims' Landing Regular.

Washington, June 20—Secretary Denby said today that Rear Admiral Sims, on reaching New York tomorrow aboard the steamer Olympic from his trip to England, would land when the liner docked and that the navy had no intention of sending a vessel to take him off at quarantine or at sea.

Referring to reports from New York that Irish sympathizers were planning a demonstration for the naval officer as a result of his criticism during a London speech, of the activities of friends of Ireland in the United States, the secretary said he hoped no situation would develop to make it impossibel for an admiral of the United States to land in the ordinary way or to be embarrassed by any element when he landed.

Admiral Sims is expected to proceed to Washington after his landing to report personally to Secretary Denby.

TWO MINISTERS SAIL.

Ottawa, June 20—Hon. Hugh Guthrie, minister of militia and defence, and Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, minister of marine, fisheries and naval affairs, sail tomorrow from Quebec on the Empress of Britain, for England. They will remain about two months in the old country. They will join the prime minister in London on June 28.

STARTS SHIP BUILDING

Victoria, B. C., June 20.—The impasse in the wooden shipbuilding situation which has existed for the last six months, was broken today by an announcement by H. A. Barrett, government inspector, that the Dominion Government has decided to take over the shipyard and the uncompleted ships of the Victoria Shipowners, Limited, and complete the programme.

News of The World

CANADA

Methodist conference meeting at Sackville, N. B., praises work of Orange Order in connection with mixed marriage case.

Mayor Church, of Toronto, said to be anxious to be the Meighen Government candidate in West York.

UNITED STATES

Sam Gompers to be candidate again for the presidency of the American Federation of Labor.

Zion City police arrest young woman because waist sleeves too short for Dowie centre.

THE BRITISH ISLES.

Stringent regulations being adopted to protect King and Queen on their visit this week to Belfast.

Four Crown officers found shot to death by the Sinn Feiners near Dublin.

Lloyd George opens the Premiers' conference at London with a statement on Empire Policy; Premier Meighen is the first of the dominions' leaders to speak

METHODISTS PRAISE WORK OF ORANGEMEN

Declares Its Gratitude for Stand Taken by Association in Marriage Case.

PREPARE TRIBUTE TO VETERAN PASTORS

Rev. E. C. Turner and Rev. A. Whiteside Soon Complete Fifty Years in Work.

Sackville, N. B., June 20—At the opening of this evening's session of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Methodist Conference, a resolution was proposed by Rev. F. A. Wightman, seconded by Rev. H. S. B. Strothard, as follows:

"Whereas a very important decision concerning mixed marriages in this dominion has been rendered by the judicial committee of the imperial Privy Council, by which it is made clear that no legal disability rests upon the ministers of any church who are duly qualified to perform any proper marriage in any province of this dominion, and that all said so-called mixed marriages are valid in law; and

"Whereas this triumph of justice and reason over claims and prejudices of unwarranted privilege has been brought about by the efforts of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British North America in the celebrated test case of Despatie Tremblay at a cost of $10,000;

"Therefore, resolved, that we as a conference and church express our satisfaction at the decision and give thanks to the Loyal Orange Association for their services on behalf of all Protestant churches in this dominion" The resolution was passed after some discussion.

Expense Funds

Quite a discussion arose over travelling expenses and the injustice which was evident in the distribution which has been made of the expense fund, and on motion of Rev. H. M. Thomas, seconded by Rev. H. A. Goodwin, a committee was raised up of Rev. G. F. Dawson, Rev. P. Fitzpatrick and Rev. F. E. Boothroyd to consider the matter and report to the next conference.

It having been brought to the attention of the conference that two superannuated ministers, Rev. E. C. Turner and Rev. A. Whiteside, would next year complete fifty years in the ministry, the president of the conference and the secretary were instructed to take steps to fittingly celebrate the event.

The laymen on the conference special committee were appointed as follows:—J. M. Lemont, J. M. Palmer, W. B. Snowball and Thos. Moyse In order to make it possible for the conference to meet at a date which would not clash with the Nova Scotia conference, it was decided to make the conference financial year end on the 15th day of May It was also decided that the conference would open next year on the second Thursday in June. The conference closed at 12.30 o'clock.

ALLEGE CHILD TRIED MURDER

Winnipeg Girl Rebuked for Late Hours, Said to Have Put Poison in Sugar.

Winnipeg, June 20—Because she had been disciplined for remaining out late in the evenings, a 14-year-old local girl is alleged to have attempted to poison her father and step-mother by mixing rat poison, ocntaining strychnine with the sugar. She has been arrested by the city police, charged with attempted murder and will be tried in the juvenile court.

Another girl, a friend of the accused, has also been arrested for allegedly conspiring with the first girl to carry out the poisoning.

ZION CITY POLICE CLAIM DRESS SCANT

Too Little Waist is Charge on Which Young Woman is Taken Into Custody.

Zion, Ill., June 20. — Mrs. Sarah Johnson, 21 years of age, of Wintrop Harbor, near Zion, was in Zion jail today charged with triple violation of overseer Wilbur Glen Volva's modest dress ordinance. Mrs. Johnson was arrested as she stepped from a train by Chief of Police Becker and booked on the following counts: Wearing short sleeves which exposed the arm above the middle of the forearm. Wearing a blouse of transparent net. Wearing a blouse with neck cut below the junction of the base of the neck and the collar bone. Chief Becker made the arrest after the young woman told him "when you pay for my clothes you can tell me what to wear." Her trial was set for tomorrow.

TODAY IS THE LONGEST DAY IN THE YEAR

June 21 Wins Out This Year by a Margin of Few Seconds.

SOMETIMES FALLS ON JUNE 22ND

Science Explains Why and Wherefore of Change in Date of Longest Day.

Toronto, Ont., June 20.—Popularly tomorrow, June 21, is the longest day of the year. Technically it is actually so though only by a margin of a few seconds. As a matter of fact the longest day sometimes falls on June 22 The almanac compilers thus describe it:

June 21.—Sun enters the sign of Cancer (Summer Solstie) 23 h. 36 m.—or in other words at 24 minutes to midnight.

All About It.

It is all made perfectly clear by the following scientific explanation. Though there is but slight difference in the length of the interval between sunrise and sunset on the days about June 21, there is in general one of these days which is a few seconds longer than any other. This is the day on which the Summer Solstice falls, and at the end of a century is June 20 or 21, whilst at the beginning it is a day later, and June 21 or 22 is the longest day. The reason for this difference in date may be briefly stated. Because the Tropical Year is not an integral number of days the solstice falls later in the calendar year by six hours nearly. It is not permitted to be very late because the intercalation of the extra day in leap year brings it back one whole day. This whole day is too much, because the solstice is later yearly by not quite six hours and hence, on the whole, it falls earlier in the calendar year as the century progresses, and the dates of the longest day at the beginning and end are as stated. In this year it happens that the solstice occurs only 24 minutes before midnight of June 21, and the difference in length of the two days is scarcely appreciable.

This acceleration of the date during the century is corrected by the omission of the intercalary day in the centennial year, which puts the date a day later. But this does more than is necessary, and a further compensation is made by making the fourth centennial year a leap year.

BY-ELECTION LIVELY.

Medicine Hat, Alta., June 20—The by-election campaign, which at the start appeared to lack the ginger usually apparent in contests of this nature, lacked nothing in this respect during the last two weeks of the campaign. The polling will take place on June 27. The number of voters who will go to the polls is not expected to exceed 15,000 and of these approximately 5,000 are members of the United Farmers of Alberta and its affiliated women's organizations. About 4,000 names are on the list in Medicine Hat city.

RAIL WAGE TALKS.

Toronto, June 20.—Stating that all discussions had been amicably conducted, Chairman H. E. Barker, of the Order of Railway Conductors for C. N. Railway lines who arrived in the city last night, stated today that the proposal of the railway managements of a twelve per cent. reduction would be submitted to the various Brotherhoods throughout the Dominion at the earliest possible opportunity.

WESTERN WHEAT HEADS

Winnipeg, June 20.—The first fully headed wheat has been received at a local newspaper office from the Stonewall district, 21 miles from this city. The variety is red bobs and and fully 50 per cent. of the sixty acre field is fully headed. The stand is 36 inches high with a fine root and well stooled.

KING AND QUEEN WILL BE VERY CLOSELY GUARDED DURING ALL THEIR VISIT TO ULSTER HOUSE

Sewers to be Searched Today in Belfast to Ensure Safety from Hidden Mines.

YOUNG OFFICER IS BRUTALLY MURDERED

Bodies of Three Missing Crown Officers Discovered; Death Due to Sinn Feiners.

Belfast, June 20—As an additional precaution for the safety of King George and Queen Mary during their visit for the opening of the Ulster parilament, the sewer system will be thoroughly inspected tomorrow to make sure that no explosives have been hidden there.

Signalling apparatus has been set up in the dome of the city hall for communication with the Royal yacht and the fleet accompanying it. A battery has been stationed on the quay and will fire the Royal salute when the King and Queen land, when parliament is opened and on the departure of the monarchs. The fleet will join in the salute which is fired when parliament is opened. It is understood that several leading Catholics have been offered knighthood, but that they have declined to accept.

Officer Shot To Death.

Dublin, June 20—Second Lieutenant Breeze of the Worcestershire Regiment was taken from an automobile in which he was riding yesterday near Dublin, accompanied by three young women and shot to death.

The car in which Breeze and his companions were motoring was held up by armed men who shot and badly wounded the lieutenant. Leaving two of the women by the roadside, the miscreants forced the third young woman to drive them with the officer into the Dublin hills, where they stood Breeze up against a wall and shot him to death.

The bodies of three military officers who were kidnapped yesterday while out walking near Fethard, County Tipperary, were found today near Clonmel. It is officially reported the bodies bore a number of bullet and shotgun wounds ,and that each man had been blindfolded before he was killed. When the officers left their barracks they were dressed in civilian clothes They were not heard of again until their bodies were discovered today.

Offer of Peace?

London, June 20—The parliamentary correspondent of the Central News says that a remarkable rumor is current that the Sinn Fein intends to signalize the King's visit to Belfast by making a proffer of peace to His Majesty.

Killed in Auto.

Dublin, June 20.—Col. Lambert, in command of the brigade at Athlone, was fatally shot this evening at Moyarum while returning from a tennis party in an automobile, accompanied by his wife and Col. and Mrs. Challoner. Six men ordered the party to halt, but the driver of the car instead of obeying the command speeded up the car and the men fired on it. A bullet struck Colonel Lambert in the neck.

Mrs. Challoner was slightly injured. Colonel Challoner and Mrs. Lambert were not injured.

PAPER WORKERS SUBMIT TERMS

New York, June 20.—Allen Curtis, manager of the International Paper Co., indicated today that some announcement might be made tomorrow concerning settlement negotiations in progress between the company and approximately 7,000 of its employes, on strike since May 1. It was learned that, at the close of conferences last week, union delegates had submitted a proposition to the company.

JAMES HARDWELL DEAD.

Ottawa, June 20—James Hardwell, chief traffic officer of the Railway Commission, died in a New York hospital this afternoon. Word to that effect was received by friends here tonight. He was about seventy years of age and had been with the Railway Commission in the capacity of chief traffic officer since its inception in June 1914. He had a splendid record in railway affairs, extending over thirty years, and previous to accepting the post on the commission was with the Intercolonial, C. P. R. and G. T. R. Born in England, he came to Canada when a young man and he is survived by his widow and one son.

PERMITS LATE ARRIVALS.

Washington, June 20—The Johnson bill to permit aliens who sailed on or before June 8 last to land at United States ports was passed late today by the house. The excess admitted over the June quota established under the percentage immigration law would be charged off against late monthly quotas.

CATCH MUD SHARKS.

Victoria, June 20.—Five hundred mud sharks in less than two months is the catch announced by the Anglo-British Canadian Company, Limited, which organization is now prosecuting the shark fishing industry in the Gulf of Georgia.

MAYOR CHURCH WOULD BE MEIGHEN NOMINEE

Toronto, June 20. — That Mayor T. L. Church is ambitious to become the Meighen Government candidate in West York for the coming by-election is the rumor in political circles today.

The vacancy was caused by the death of Captain Tom Wallace, Unionist.

GOMPERS WILL HAVE A FIGHT

John Lewis Declares He Will Oppose A. F. of L. Chief for Presidency.

Denver, Colo., June 20—Supporters of Samuel Gompers and John Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, who announced today his candidacy, tonight were marshalling their forces for the contest which will decide whether the veteran labor leader shall be returned to the presidency of the American Federation of Labor. The machinists' union, the second largest, and the carpenters' and joiners' union, the third largest union in the federation, already have swung their support to Lewis. Both Gompers and Lewis supporters claim a majority of the delegates from railroad organizations. The candidacy of Lewis is the first serious opposition that President Gompers has had since 1894 when he was defeated for re-election by John McBride, a mine worker. Since that time he has been re-elected year after year by almost a unanimous vote.

DANCING A CURSE AND A MENACE

Methodist Church Might as Well Close Up If It Continues, Says Professor.

Winnipeg, June 20—"If dancing is here to stay, then the Methodist church might as well shut up shop," said one member of the Manitoba Methodist conference during a discussion of mixed dancing today. "Those who have the dance craze will never have the church craze," said Rev. Andrew Stewart of Wesley College, during the debate on the special report.

Mixed dancing in the schools was referred to as a "perversion of our educational system," "a curse and a menace," and "detriment to the best citizenship." School teachers who, it was said, attend dances in country schools four and five times a week, were particularly under fire. The social report also contained a protest against the extension of race track gambling in Manitoba, which it said was "opposed to sound business and practical morality."

Surrenders After Shooting Six Men

Trouble Began When His Son Was Arrested for a Trivial Offence.

Louisville, Ky., June 20—John Follis who shot six persons while resisting arrest in Frankfort early last week, surrendered to two citizens there late today, according to information reaching Louisville.

The same report said that Follis made his surrender conditional upon being taken to jail at Louisville, to which point the trio were said to be en route by automobile.

How It Started.

Follis was charged with interfering with officers who had arrested his son for a trivial offence. Attempts to arrest Follis resulted in four policemen being shot. He barricaded himself in his combination dwelling and grocery store. Shots exchanged with the officers resulted in two bystanders being wounded. Before a cordon of officers could be thrown around Follis' hiding place he had escaped in the darkness.

TODAY

IMPERIAL — Conway Tearle in "Society Snobs."

OPERA HOUSE—Amanda Gilbert and Co.; Hal Sherman; Other Big Vaudeville Features and a Good Comedy Picture.

QUEEN SQUARE—Frank Mayo in "The Magnificent Brute."

EMPRESS — "Coming Through the Rye"—An All British Production.

STAR—Sandy Burke in "U-Bar-U." "Phantom Foe" Serial.