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11 DIE, MANY HURT AS WINDS SWEEP U.S.

THUNDER, RAIN AND SNOW HIT MIDDLE STATES

Buildings Are Destroyed, Streets Flooded, Wires Down

SIXTY-MILE GALE Town of Tisdale, Miss., Nearly Wiped Out—Chicago Areas Inundated

CHICAGO, Ills., Feb. 26—Eleven persons and scores injured as a result of high wind storms in the Middle West.

Sweeping out of the northwest and Texas, yesterday, the storms struck the central part of the country, accompanied by heavy rains and snow, at a velocity of 60 miles an hour, causing incalculable property loss. Buildings were destroyed, streets flooded, telephone and telegraph lines damaged and traffic delayed.

FIVE KILLED IN CRASH

The greatest loss of life was in Chicgo County, Arkansas, where four white persons and a negro were killed. Levi Lyon and his three children were killed when their home was destroyed. The negro lost his life at Jennie. Although virtually the entire town of Tisdale, Miss., was demolished, the only death reported was that of the daughter of Mrs. Lena Martin.

CHICAGO FLOODED

Twenty-four square blocks on the northwest side of Chicago were flooded deep enough for boating. Children used rowboats to get to school and in some districts rats or fat boats killed householders in their marketing. A thaw preceded the storm in Ohio, jamming the rivers and causing overflows with heavy flood damage. Four mail carriers and two passengers were forced to wade to shore when caught on the ice in Lake Erie in mail trucks a short way from shore.

MILLS CLOSED

Mills and factories were closed and traffic suspended at Escanaba, Michigan, where they had the most severe snowstorm in four years. Families were rescued in boats from the flood at Rockford. The water was three feet deep on one of the avenues.

DEFERS ACTION ON UPPER HOUSE MOVE

New South Wales Premier De-lays Bill to Abolish Legislative Council

MEET IS POSTPONED

Saskatchewan Conservatives Defer Decision on Opposition to Premier Dunning

REGINA, Sask., Feb. 26—The Conservative meeting scheduled for last night to discuss the possibility of placing a candidate in the field to contest the forthcoming bye election in Regina, was cancelled. The meeting will be held today according to preliminary arrangements. It is planned to go fully into the situation caused by resignation of F. N. Dierke, Liberal member and the candidacy of Hon. C. A. Dunning, who has accepted the federal portfolio of Minister of Railways and Canal.

Chamberlain's Son Joins Fascist Ranks

ROME, Feb. 26—Arthur Chamberlain, son of Great Britain's Foreign Secretary, is a member of the Fascist party. He was initiated by the black shirts of Liguria on the occasion of the Chamberlain family's recent visit to Genoa.

Empire Economic Co-operation Listed For Imperial Conference Debate

Schumann-Heink at 65 Returns To Scenes of Former Triumphs; Is Given Eleven Curtain Calls

NEW YORK, Feb. 25—Mme. Schumann-Heink, 65-year-old prima donna, has come back to the scene of her early triumphs as Erda and there is a stirring of memories in the dimmest corners of the old Metropolitan Opera House.

Out of the blue shadows of the last scene of Wagner's "Das Rheingold" her rich contralto floated in the warming song of the Earth Mother for 10 brief minutes yesterday, and things were as they used to be nine years ago. In front there was a clapping and pushing for the orchestra pit such as a Wagnerian audience has not shown in many a day. There were 11 curtain calls.

POLICEMAN IS HELD FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Constable McKean Committed in Drumbeller Shooting—Inquest Exonerates Him

CALGARY, Feb. 26—Following a preliminary hearing, Constable Charles McKean, a member of the Drumbeller police force, has been committed for trial on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Jack Nolan, heavyweight boxer and miner, formerly of Nova Scotia. Nolan was shot and killed at the Drumbeller police barracks, when, it is alleged, he attacked the police officer after having been arrested on a charge of assault.

WILL RE-COLONIZE MENNONITE LANDS

Manitoba to Repopulate Area Left Vacant by Removals to Mexico

CHAPMAN GRANTED HIS THIRD REPRIEVE

Execution For Murder Postponed From March 3 to April 6—Final Stay

CAROL LIKELY TO SEE FORMER WIFE

32 Petersons Answer When One Is Called

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 26—"Peterson" called the deputy clerk in Circuit Court here facing a petit jury panel.

STERLING EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Feb. 26—Sterling exchange steady. Great Britain, 45 1/2; France, 36 3/4; Italy, 40 1/4; Germany, 23 1/2. Canadian dollars 1/2 of one per cent discount.

MANY MOURN AS ARCHBISHOP ROY LAID TO REST

Quebec Basilica Is Crowded For Solemn Service

LOSS DEPLORED

Four Brothers Say Mass in Same Church As Funeral Requiem Sung

Deaf to Plea of Merchant as He Begs Them to "Have a Heart"

BEAT JEWELER AND TAKE \$15,000 GEMS

JURY CLEARS HIM

CHURCH'S DOUBLE LOSS

SIX ARRESTED IN BELGIAN BANK CASE

Charge is Made That Defunct Institution Issued Doctored Statements

BRUSSELS, Feb. 26—The suspension of payments by the Credit Foncier of Antwerp, one of the largest banks in Belgium, assumed the proportions of a scandal yesterday, when six persons were arrested here.

FRENCH CABINET IN MORAL DEFEAT

Appropriation For Mexico is Reduced By One Million Francs

PARIS, Feb. 26—The government received a moral defeat today when the appropriation for Morocco was reduced by one million francs, although War Minister Painleve opposed the reduction, proposed by a Socialist. He said that the government hoped its efforts for the pacification of the two countries would soon meet with success.

Australia Considers Low Immigrant Fares

MELBOURNE, Feb. 26—Answering a question in the House of Representatives yesterday, Premier Bruce said that the whole question of the reduction of migrant fares to Australia was being given consideration by the government.

Theatre Heads Make Move To Bar Countess

NEW YORK, Feb. 26—Officials of the motion picture theatre owners of America representing 80 per cent. of the theatre owners in the United States and Canada took steps to bar the Countess of Calhoun from appearing in any motion picture production in America on the strength of publicity alone.

BAKER FREED ON ARSON CHARGE

Victoria County Man Acquitted By Jury in Carlingford Fire Case

COUNSEL'S ADDRESS

JUDGE'S COMMENT

ANSWER LATER

MARITIME FREIGHT RATE HEARING APL. 6

Board of Trade Notified That Case Will Open at Moncton

FREDERICTON LADY IS ILL IN NEW YORK

FREDERICTON HEALTH BOARD ASKS PARLEY

WOMAN SUES FOR CHARGE MADE IN INSCRIPTION ON TOMBSTONE

LITCHFIELD, Ills., Feb. 26—Can a tombstone inscription be libelous? Blanche Bellver may put the question up to a jury in a suit which she threatens against relatives of a six-year-old boy, who was killed when he ran in front of her automobile.

AGREEMENT ON CHECK-OFF IS REACHED IN N.S.

BESCO OFFICIALS AGREE TO PLAN; MINERS' HEADS APPROVE

NEW REFERENDUM

Workers Will Vote on New Decision and Counter Proposal, Not Announced

GLACE BAY, N.S., Feb. 26—An agreement on the check-off question was reached at yesterday afternoon's conference between the British Empire Steel Corporation's coal executive and the executive of District 26, U. M. W. of A. The corporation agreed to restore the check-off and submitted a proposition which was acceptable to the mine workers. On the other hand, the miners' executive made another proposition, which Vice-President McLurg will pass on to a meeting of the corporation directors next week. The details of the counter-proposal were not made public.

TO HOLD PLEBISCITE

IN THE MEANTIME IT HAS BEEN ARRANGED TO HOLD A REFERENDUM EITHER ON MARCH 6 OR 8, AT WHICH THE MINERS WILL EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON BOTH PROPOSALS.

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AUSTRALIA AND CANADA MATTER LIKELY TALKED

Dominion's Attitude On Locarno Pact One of Problems

INTEREST GREAT

Co-ordination of Air Forces Also in Matter To Be Debated

By HERBERT BAILEY. British United Press.

LONDON, Feb. 26—The supreme importance of the Imperial Conference which is proposed to hold here in October is emphasized by officials and ministers of the government. These are at least three urgent problems awaiting discussion and disposal. First of all there is the question of the attitude of the Dominions towards the Locarno treaties and similar pacts, and this is likely to overshadow all others in importance.

ARISING OUT OF THIS IT IS LIKELY THAT THE WHOLE ATTITUDE OF THE DOMINIONS TOWARDS THE MOTHER COUNTRY WILL COME UP SO FAR AS FOREIGN PROBLEMS ARE CONCERNED AND THIS WILL BE THRASHED OUT IN THE HOPE OF DETERMINING BASIC PRINCIPLES FOR FUTURE GUIDANCE, LEAVING THE DOMINIONS ALL LIBERTY TO DISCUSS OTHERS.

ECONOMIC PROBLEMS

THEN THERE ARE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS TO COME UP FOR DISCUSSION. AT FIRST IT WAS RUMORED THAT THERE WOULD BE A SEPARATE ECONOMIC CONFERENCE AND A CASE DURING THE HOLDING OF THE LAST IMPERIAL CONFERENCE, BUT THE PLAN NOW RECOMMENDED BY THE APPOINTMENT OF A SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE CONFERENCE ITSELF DEALING WITH ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND REPORTING TO THE CONFERENCE AS A WHOLE.

THE GOVERNMENT STRONGLY FAVORS CLOSER ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION NOT ONLY BETWEEN THE MOTHER COUNTRY AND THE DOMINIONS BUT ALSO BETWEEN THE DOMINIONS THEMSELVES NOTABLY BETWEEN CANADA AND AUSTRALIA, AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT THIS CONFERENCE WILL PRESENT A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR PROGRESS ALONG THESE LINES.

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The Weather

SYNOPTIC—The storm which was centered in Southern Michigan yesterday has passed to New Brunswick and the barometer is now rising over the Great Lakes, with strong northwest winds. Pressure is highest in the Western States and is decreasing in the Canadian West. Cloudy: Cold.

FORECAST—Moderate southwesterly to northwest winds; cloudy; becoming somewhat cold, with snow flurries. Saturday, strong westerly, partly cloudy, and moderately cold.

NEW ENGLAND—Generally fair tonight and Saturday; colder tonight and in east portion Saturday; strong west and northwest winds, diminishing tonight.

Table with columns: Location, Highest during 8 a.m. Yesterday night, Lowest during 8 a.m. Yesterday night. Locations include Toronto, Calgary, Winnipeg, etc.

* Below zero.