

### COLONEL HOUSE VERY USEFUL TO BERNSTORFF

Interesting Sidelights on the Events of the War from Diplomatic Standpoint Made Known.

### GERMANS FOND OF WILSON'S ADVISER

House Credited With Referring to Viscount Grey as Most Tractable English Statesman.

Berlin, May 26.—Letters from Count von Bernstorff and other German diplomatic officials have just been made public here in connection with the investigation of President Wilson's general proposal during the war by a parliamentary committee. They contain much ancient history regarding various diplomatic moves, but here and there is given an interesting sidelight on the events of the war from the diplomatic standpoint.

Colonel House, known as "President Wilson's personal representative," came in for a good deal of attention in reports forwarded to Berlin by von Bernstorff, who thoroughly approved of Mr. Wilson's unofficial advice. In fact, von Bernstorff "recommended" him to the German Foreign Office when Colonel House made his second trip to Europe, early in 1918, to represent the United States President.

Count von Bernstorff declared in the same letter that Americans were, at that time, chiefly interested in the restoration of peace and the abolition of militarism and navalism. He added that Germany would be "able to compel England to recognize the freedom of the seas only if supported by the United States and if Germany consented to end militarism."

"If I receive no reply on this point from your Excellency," he concluded, "I will continue to treat Colonel House in a distasteful manner. Up to now he has been very useful to me."

Reference to Grey.

A letter from Mr. Self, Minister of Colonies, to Dr. von Jagow reported the former's conversation with Colonel House at the American Embassy in Berlin late in January, 1918. Colonel House was credited with statements relative to the political situation in England. President Wilson's embassy was quoted as describing Viscount Grey, then British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, as "the most tractable Englishman. It was said he declared Viscount Grey was 'entirely suited and also ready to negotiate, and that his imminent retirement from the British Cabinet would not only be undesirable but liable to prove fatal to Germany.'"

Colonel House was alleged to have told Dr. Self there was a strong anti-American feeling in England at that time, and that "Germany was not aware of the extent to which unkindly notes were being exchanged between Washington and London."

### BOLSHEVİK FORCES NOW OCCUPY REHT

British Troops Obligated to Retire Toward Teheran—Rushing Reinforcements.

London, May 26.—Bolshevik forces continued to pour into Persia and occupied Reht, from which British troops have retired toward Teheran, says the "Daily Sketch," which disputes the accuracy of information received here yesterday regarding the situation in the middle east.

### GERMAN MARK GROWS STRONGER

London, May 26.—A notable feature of foreign exchange transactions has been the remarkable recovery, recently, of the German mark, which, today, reached the high point of 125 1/2 marks to the pound. Yesterday the quotation was 146.

### CHINAMAN ATTEMPTS TO MURDER POLICEMAN

Montreal, May 26.—Charles Sing, a Chinaman of this city, today appeared in court charged with the attempted murder of a policeman. It is alleged that Sing fired two shots at the constable, both of which went wild, and then fled up the street.

### FATAL ACCIDENT AT MILLTOWN MILL

Employee of St. Croix Cotton Mills Has Neck Caught Between Ascending Elevator and Floor.

Special to The Standard  
St. Stephen, N. B., May 26.—A very sad and fatal accident occurred at the St. Croix Cotton Mills, Milltown, N. B., this afternoon. A young man, Peter Lawson, was immediately notified and an inquest was held.

### SUSPENSION OF SUMMER MILITARY CAMPS PROBABLE

Reason Given for Probable Cancellation is That it is Impossible to Get Men to Go to the Camps.

Special to The Standard.  
Ottawa, May 26.—Summer military camps, which it was announced some time ago, would be resumed this year, are likely to be cancelled, according to a statement from official military quarters tonight. The matter has not yet been definitely decided, but is being considered by the Department.

The reason given for probable cancellation is that it has been found impossible to get men to go to the camps. Returned men, it is pointed out, are busily engaged endeavoring to re-establish themselves into civil life; the old militia units, disbanded or discharged during the war, have, in the majority of cases, not yet reorganized, and, in some military districts, appointments of commanding officers have not yet been made. The result is a feeling that it would be a mistake to call out the camps this summer, as it is feared they might not be a success.

### AMERICAN WOOLEN CO. INDICTED

Charge Violation of Lever Act, Alleging Company Sold Cloth at Unjust Rates.

New York, May 26.—The American Woolen Company was charged with profiting in an indictment returned here late today by the Federal Grand Jury. With the American Woolen Company, of New York, were indicted the American Woolen Company of Boston and William M. Wood, President of the both companies.

### BOLSHEVİK LANDING NOT CONFIRMED

British Officials Have No Report on Further Advance in Persia.

London, May 26.—British official quarters here no confirmation of a reported second landing by the Bolsheviks in Persia, or an advance on land compelling the British to move from Reht toward Teheran.

### TO INVESTIGATE LOBSTER INDUSTRY

To Ascertain How the Supply of Lobsters Can be Conserved in Maritime Provinces.

Kingston, Ont., May 26.—Dr. A. P. Frederick, N. B., May 26.—Forest fires which have been spreading with great rapidity in various parts of the province has destroyed the sawmill of Smith & Dolan, at Rolling Dam, Charleton County, with a loss of more than \$25,000. Fortunately there was only a small quantity of lumber in the mill yard. There is no improvement in the situation this evening, and rain is badly needed.

### GOVERNMENT LOSES ANOTHER SUPPORTER

Member for Battleford Declares His Intention to Vote for the Fielding Amendment.

### NOT SATISFIED WITH PROMISES

Breaks With the Government on the Question of Tariff and Says He is a Farmer.

Ottawa, May 26.—(Canadian Press)—The cross benches obtained a new recruit this evening in the House of Commons, when H. O. Wright, member for Battleford, declared his intention of voting for the Fielding amendment in opposition to the budget. Mr. Wright's announcement, that he intended to support the amendment, was greeted by loud applause from the Liberal members in the House, which was, however, somewhat disappointed when he stated that he "did not think there was anything material in the amendment," but that the rules of the House preclude the moving of any other.

Mr. Wright broke with the Government on the tariff. He refused to be satisfied with the promise of a thorough investigation, followed by a revision during the present year. That promise, he said, had not been kept last year, and had not been given for various reasons. It would take more than the promise of future blessings to secure his support of any budget in the future. He was a farmer, and he stood four-square for the tariff principles contained in the Farmers' platform.

Another Boiler  
W. A. Buchanan, (Leithbridge) also broke from the ranks of Government supporters refusing to support the budget on the ground that the time to cut away from protection had come. Development of natural resources demanded duty free machinery for farmers and others.

After the preliminaries were concluded in the afternoon Dr. J. W. Edwards, of Frontenac, continued the budget debate. He supported the government proposals and outlined recent fiscal history of the Dominion to show that Conservatives had done more than Liberals to reduce the tariff on agricultural implements to its present level.

Dr. Edwards, of Frontenac, attacked the Grain Growers' Grain Company of the West in the course of his speech. He characterized this organization as the most selfish protecting concern in Canada and quoted profits made by the company in support of his statement.

### MUCH EXPECTED FROM CONFERENCE

Delegates Arriving at Ottawa for the West Indies-Canada Trade Convention.

Ottawa, May 26.—Representatives from Great Britain, Canada, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Jamaica, Demerara, Grenada, Barbados and the Leeward Islands will attend the West Indies-Canada conference which will open in Ottawa on Monday. The delegates from Demerara, Grenada, Barbados and the Leeward Islands are already in Ottawa. The remainder are expected to arrive in the course of the present week.

### FOREST FIRES DESTROY MILL

Plant at Rolling Dam Burned Yesterday.

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### OPPOSITION TO WILSON PROPOSAL

Many in Ranks of Administration Party Will Fight Mandate.

Washington, May 26.—Opposition within the ranks of the President's own party developed today to Mr. Wilson's request to Congress for authority to accept a mandate over Armenia.

### FEDERAL JUDGE OVERRULED THE HUGHES' BRIEF

Pleas of Not Guilty Entered by Attorneys for Defendants in Coal Miners' Case.

Indianapolis, May 26.—United States District Judge Anderson in Federal Court late today, overruled the demurrer filed by Charles Evans Hughes, to the findings of the court this morning which sustained five of the counts in the indictment charging 128 coal miners and operators with conspiracy to violate the Lever Act.

Pleas of not guilty were entered by the attorneys for the defendants, with five exceptions, and November eighth was the date set for the trial. Defendants in Illinois, Ohio and Missouri have brought proceedings to restrain being brought into court here. Other defendants, residing in Pennsylvania and Indiana, were in court today.

The indictment against the bituminous coal miners and operators was an outgrowth of the recent bituminous strike and originally contained 18 counts, based on the Lever Act and the criminal code.

### TEN DEATHS IN C. G. R. RELIEF ASSN.

Seven of the Number Were on the Retired List of Employees.

Special to The Standard  
Moncton, N. B., May 26.—Ten deaths occurred among the members of the C. G. R. Employees Relief and Insurance Association during the month ending May 25, 1920, seven of that number being retired employees. In addition two C. G. R. employees, Frank M. Goodwin, Moncton, and Martin O'Brien, sectionman, Memramouc, members of the Temporary Employees Accident Fund, died from the effects of injuries received while they were in the railway service. The other deaths during the month were Joseph C. Langagne, retired, Moncton; Michael Brown, truck clerk, Campbellton; Malcolm McKinnon, retired, Moncton; James Dickie, retired, Moncton; Rufus Harrison, retired, Moncton; Ernest Raymond, retired, River Du Loup; John T. Estabrook, brakeman, Newcastle; Francis J. Gilis, locomotive engineer, Newcastle and Wright Edmundson, retired, Moncton.

### SECY DANIELS BECOMES RILED

Doesn't Enjoy Questions Being Put to Him by Senator Hale.

Washington, May 26.—Declaring that a "wise man" was being used on him, United States Naval Secretary Daniels told the Senate Naval Investigating Committee, today, that he would appeal to the full committee if Chairman Hale insisted in putting into the record "an unfair and unfounded" statement as to conditions of American warships when the war began.

### "IRELAND NEEDS HELP FROM ABOVE"

Pope Benedict Made Such a Statement to Irish Ecclesiastics.

Rome, May 26.—"In this hour Ireland needs special help from above, so that what she legitimately longs for may be obtained without falling short in any way of her duties." Pope Benedict made this statement to more than 300 Irish ecclesiastics and laymen whom he received at the Vatican today.

### DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY STILL CONTINUING

Kilbrittain Castle, One of Ireland's Ancient Landmarks, Was Destroyed Yesterday.

### SEVERAL OTHER FIRES REPORTED

Cameron Highlanders at Athershot Hastily Ordered to Leave for Service in Ireland.

Dublin, May 26.—The destruction of property in Ireland by fire is continuing. Tuesday evening Kilbrittain Castle, near Brandon, County Cork, one of Ireland's ancient landmarks, was destroyed. It is estimated that the damage was 100,000 pounds. The castle was unoccupied. The reports do not state the cause of the fire.

Damage estimated at 40,000 pounds was caused by fire on the farm of Major Pollock at Gaven, Ballinasloe. The members of the family escaped with difficulty. Several valuable horses were burned. The police and military helped to extinguish the flames. Report of the fire received here alleges that villagers who watched the fire would not render assistance in putting it out.

Other reports received today include news of an attempt to burn the corner house at Waterville, County Kerry. The police saved the building, but valuable records were destroyed. The corner house at Clyne, County Cork was burned.

One hundred men attacked the police barracks at Longa Gore, Galway yesterday, but were beaten off. The corner's court has been receiving attention from the campaigner. The members of a jury, who sat in an inquest on two policemen who were killed, received a notice informing them that they "had been tried and found guilty of treason" and must bear the consequences.

### PRINCE ARRIVES AT MELBOURNE

Received Amid the Wildest of Enthusiasm by the Cheering Crowds.

Melbourne, May 26.—The Prince of Wales was warmly acclaimed on his arrival here today. A fleet met the Heir-apparent at the Royal Victoria Harbor. Three thousand persons were crowded in the midst of cheering releases as the Prince embarked and drove through the thronged streets. The railway and tramway would be called during the visit of the Prince were averted through a compromise.

### OPPOSE PLAN OF TAX COLLECTION

Halifax Merchants Think a Better System for Collecting Luxury Tax Could be Evolved.

Halifax, N. S., May 26.—(By Canadian Press)—At a large and representative meeting of the Retail Merchants of Halifax, at the Board of Trade, tonight, it was decided to protest to the Dominion Government against the system of collecting the recently imposed "luxury tax."

### FIND BODY OF MISSING MAN

Wireless Operator at Cape Sable Drowned a Week Ago.

Yarmouth, N. S., May 26.—(By Canadian Press)—The body of L. P. Adendorff, a wireless operator, was found on the shore at Hawk Inlet today. He was stationed at Cape Sable, and a week ago left in shift at nine o'clock at night to go to the mainland for his mail. The boat was found the following day, but there was no trace of Adendorff until his body was picked up today. He was 34 years of age, and a native of Flourisburg, South Africa.

### UNITED STATES TO WIELD BIG STICK

House Foreign Affairs Reports Favorably on Commission to Deal With Canada on Pulpwood.

Washington, May 26.—Suggesting embargoes by the United States on products required by Canada for her industries to meet the Canadian embargo on pulpwood, the House Foreign Affairs Committee, today, favorably reported the Senate resolution for a Special Commission to deal with the Dominion Government on the subject.

Canada, the report declared, must have coal, sulphur and dyes from the United States or else suffer a similar misfortune as that which afflicts American publishers. Embargoes on pulpwood, the report declared, have restricted building of paper mills in the United States and efforts recently have been made to prevent Americans from buying pulpwood from Canada.

### GEN. CURRIE GUEST OF ACADIA MEN

Lays Corner Stone of \$180,000 War Memorial Gymnasium—Complimentary Banquet Tendered General.

Wolfville, N. S., May 26.—(By Canadian Press)—"When I come to meet old comrades, I don't prepare a speech. I just yawn, and especially in this country of orators, of the Howes, the Johnstons, the Ralstons and others who were famous on the platform, I just yawn."

In this way General Sir Arthur Currie responded to the toast "Our Honored Guest," proposed by Joseph Boyer, at his complimentary dinner given in his honor by the Acadia Returned Men's Association here tonight.

Sir Arthur Currie delighted the guests with tales of days and nights in France during the Great War. The banquet was a tremendous success. Before a large assembly, this afternoon, General Currie laid the corner stone of the \$180,000 war memorial gymnasium. This building is being erected as a memorial to the 83 Acadia men who had fallen in the war and the returned Acadia men, who organized the movement, contributed largely to the fund and obtained other subscriptions.

### EXPLOSION AT STATE ARMOY

Occurs at Hartford, Conn.—Guardsmen and Police Summoned.

Hartford, Conn., May 26.—An explosion occurred at the State Armory, The Connecticut State Guard commands in the city have been summoned. Officers of the Guard state that no information will be given out until the nature of the explosion is definitely determined.

### CZECHS AND POLES IN DISAGREEMENT

Rupture in Diplomatic Circles May Come Over Situation in Tschén Plebiscite Area.

Paris, May 26.—A rupture of diplomatic relations between Czechoslovakia and Poland is feared in official circles here as a result of the crisis over the situation in the Tschén plebiscite area.

### FRANCE RATIFIES ST. GERMAIN TREATY

Paris, May 26.—The Chamber of Deputies this afternoon ratified the treaty of St. Germain with Austria. In opening today's session President Paret expressed regret at the accident which had happened to President Deschamps and said he could assure the President of the deep affection of the representatives of the nation. On the demand of Premier Millerand the Chamber postponed until Friday interpellations on the conference at Hythe between Premier Lloyd George, M. Millerand and their advisors.

### SIR AUCKLAND PRESENTED HIS CREDENTIALS

Second Ambassador to be Sent to Washington from England Since President Became Ill.

### BEARS MESSAGE FROM THE KING

President Feelingly Replies, Expressing Confidence That Friendly Ties Will Grow Still Stronger.

Washington, May 26.—Sir Auckland Geddes, the new British Ambassador, formally presented his credentials to President Wilson at the White House, and exchanged with the Executive assurances of good will and amity.

The second Ambassador to be sent here by Great Britain since the President became ill, Sir Auckland had been waiting since April 21 to be formally received. His predecessor, Viscount Grey, who came to Washington last October, departed again without laying his credentials before the President.

None of the diplomatic questions pending between Great Britain and the United States were touched on specifically in his addresses exchanged between the President and Sir Auckland. In addressing the President, Sir Auckland said:

"His Majesty, my King, has instructed me to deliver to you this letter, and to say that it is his desire that I should, at the first possible moment, renew to you, Sir, his assurances of the lively interest which he takes in everything that promotes the welfare and prosperity of the United States of America."

"Immediately before I left his court, Sir, his Majesty expressed the honor of receiving in audience by him, when he charged me particularly to express to you, Sir, the vivid sense of pleasure which he felt in the visit of members your excellency's visit and that of Mrs. Wilson to him at Buckingham Palace."

"He has heard with deep emotion and regret of the loss of health which you, Sir, have unhappily suffered. He prays that it may be wholly temporary and of short duration, and that a timely recovery will restore you to your accustomed vigor."

"He has asked me, also, to thank you with the utmost warmth and cordiality for the gratifying reception and boundless hospitality which have been extended to his eldest son, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and his separate visit to which he has visited the shores and lands of this great nation."

"May I, your Excellency, on behalf of his Majesty, welcome you, as a member of the administration of the United Kingdom, and on my own behalf associate not only them but, also, myself with each and all of the Royal messages of affection, good will and gratitude which it has been my great fortune and high honor to be permitted to deliver to you?"

"I am devoutly thankful that I am able to say that I believe it to be the unanimous wish and hope of the British peoples, wherever they may be, that the relations of friendship and co-operation between the people of the United States and themselves may be strengthened and developed and that no cloud of misunderstanding may ever arise."

"It will be my unceasing effort ever to serve the peoples whom I have the honor to represent in the furtherance of their wish and hope."

President's Reply.  
The President in his reply said: "It is a great confidence, quite unnecessary to say that I accept with pleasure from your hands the letters whereby His Britannic Majesty accredits you as his Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the United States, or that the gracious words of His Majesty, which you interpret to me, are warmly appreciated. May I ask you to be so good as to express to him my sincere thanks for his kindly interest and good wishes."