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The Southern Parliament Meeting today to Ratify the Irish Peace Treaty

DE VALERA NOT LIKELY TO ATTEND
Invitations to the Meeting, Directed to Deputies for the Six Ulster Counties—Preparations for the Evacuation of Dublin Castle Have Been Completed.

Dublin, Jan. 13.—Interest in the political situation tonight centres in the meeting which will be held tomorrow by the Southern parliament for the ratification of the peace treaty with Great Britain. Invitations to the session were issued today signed by Arthur Griffith. They were directed to all deputies elected for the six Ulster counties including Eamonn De Valera and his followers. It is not expected however that Mr. De Valera, or any of his adherents will attend. The meeting will be held in the oak room of the Mansion House and unless some members opposed to the treaty decide at the last minute to attend, it promises to be a somewhat perfunctory ceremony.

A chairman will be elected the treaty formally ratified and a provisional government. Representatives of the ministry of labor were called in by the cabinet and the situation fully canvassed with a view to averting a general stoppage of the country's main transportation facilities.

Conference in Belfast
Two of the railways affected by the impending strike operate entirely in Ulster and a deputation from the Ulster unions went to Belfast today to confer with the minister of labor of the northern parliament and a temporary postponement of the strike on these lines was agreed to. Preparations for the evacuation of Dublin Castle and the withdrawal of the military forces are said to be complete.

Contrary to the arrangements announced on Thursday, the auxiliaries marched from the barracks to the station this evening without band or flags. Except for the singing of songs by the cadres infrequent exchanges of comment with the people who lined the sidewalks, nothing unusual signified their departure. Members of the Irish republican army in strong force lined the route of march to prevent any possible untoward demonstration. Dublin Castle today was the scene of bustling activity.

The gates still in charge of the military, but civilians seeking admittance met with no hindrance.

The release of Irish political prisoners from Irish jails continued today. Those liberated from English prisons are expected to arrive in Kingstown tomorrow.

Entertained at Tea
Miss Margaret Hall entertained at tea yesterday afternoon at her home on Brunswick Street in honor of the Misses Thompson of Montreal.

A. C. Smith of Sackville is at the Queen.
Glendon H. Allan of St. John is at registered at the Barker House.

SIR ROBERT BORDEN TO STAY AT WASHINGTON FOR THE PRESENT

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—Sir Robert Borden, it was officially announced tonight, will continue to represent Canada on the British delegation at the disarmament conference in Washington. When the change of government took place here, Sir Robert, who was then in Washington, communicated with Premier King, saying that he presumed the new government might wish to appoint, as representative of that delegation, some one who had shown a more sympathetic understanding of the new government and its policies than he himself had done, and that he placed himself in the new prime minister's hands and was ready to return to Ottawa at once if that was desired. Premier King, however, asked Sir Robert to continue to act as Canada's representative on the British Empire delegation. Since that time he has been communicating with Premier King, who is also minister of external affairs, as formerly he had been in communication with the former premier, Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen.

Government May Probe Matters Connected With Stefansson Expedition

Serious Charges Made Against Noted Arctic Explorer by Dr. R. M. Anderson—Loss of the S. S. Karluk Resulted in Seven Deaths—Expedition Was Financed by the Borden Government.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—Canada's expedition in the Arctic and the tragedy of the ill-fated Karluk—lost, when eleven deaths as a consequence—has been flung into the arena of bitter controversy, and demands for a full government inquiry lie in the offing.
The expedition was headed by Vilhjalmur Stefansson and financed by the Dominion government. It was divided into two parties—a northern party in charge of Mr. Stefansson himself; a southern party in charge of Dr. R. M. Anderson, geologist, at present acting chief of the biological division, department of mines, Ottawa. The primary purpose of the northern party was exploration of the unknown wastes of Beaufort Sea; that of the southern, scientific work in the extreme northern land of Canada. Apparently there was friction in the expedition almost from the outset. Appearance of Mr. Stefansson's latest book, "The Friendly Arctic," has brought the whole matter to a head. Scientific members of the expedition now in Ottawa say that the book contains unjust accusations of "attempted mutiny" and "insubordination."

DR. ANDERSON TALKS.
Here is what Dr. Anderson, chief of the southern party, had to say today when questioned by a representative of the Canadian Press:

"The friction," said Dr. Anderson, "started from the time that Mr. Stefansson informed members of the expedition that he had sold out the newspaper rights of both parties. Mr. Stefansson explained at the time that no member of the expedition could write a line home to his family except through Ottawa and that no member of the expedition could send a telegram back to his relatives. This was obviously done to protect Mr. Stefansson's newspaper rights."

"The feeling spread among the men that a supposedly great scientific expedition was really, at the bottom, a newspaper and magazine exploiting scheme. This matter of furnishing news to the newspapers remained a cause of trouble through the whole expedition. It might not have been so with another commander-in-chief, but Mr. Stefansson ever had his eye on his news reading public. He admitted to me that what he had done was ethically wrong but said he felt justified in using any means to get the expedition started."

SPECIFIC CHARGES.
Mr. Anderson had these further charges to make against Mr. Stefansson's alleged conduct of the expedition:

"1—That having lost the Karluk, Mr. Stefansson endeavored to change the whole conduct of the expedition as outlined in orders from the government. The remaining members of the southern party held that he had no authority to change the plans. Mr. Stefansson claimed this to be an act of 'insubordination.'"

"2—In 1915, orders were received from Ottawa that the expedition should come out of the Arctic in that year and not later than 1916. In face of these orders, Mr. Stefansson purchased two vessels in the summer of 1915 at Arctic ocean prices. These ships had American crews and were fitted out for new exploration work."

"3—During the whole course of the expedition, Mr. Stefansson pursued a policy of wild extravagance. He had the reputation of buying everything in sight at almost any price asked. He certainly raised the standard of living in the Arctic. The expedition was supposed to cost \$75,000. It actually cost over half a million."

"4—In the spring of 1915, Mr. Stefansson sent me word that the government had given him full control over the expedition, that the government had no authority to recall him till he was through with his work, that the members of the southern party were not to be concerned about any orders from the government."

KNOCKED WATCHMAN OUT AND STOLE THE ALCOHOL

Boston, Mass., Jan. 14.—In broad daylight yesterday afternoon three men knocked the watchman unconscious at the storehouse of the Suffolk Export Company at 128 Sidney st., Cambridge, placed a strip of adhesive plaster over his mouth, trussed him up with ropes and then moved 15 barrels of alcohol, valued at \$370 (nonbootleg prices), to an automobile truck and escaped without being noticed by anyone besides the watchman.

The watchman, John Nugent, 32, of 662 Columbia road, Dorches, lay senseless for more than two hours after his assailants had made their getaway. He then came to, succeeded in releasing himself from the ropes with which he was tied, removed the adhesive plaster from his mouth and phoned for the police.

Officers were immediately dispatched to the warehouse and interviewed Nugent. They picked up the tracks of the truck in the snow, trailed them through Sidney st. to Putnam av, thence to Brookline st, across the Cottage Farm Bridge to Commonwealth av, where they were lost in the multitudinous tracks of the heavy traffic on that street.

Nugent's story to the police is that he was alone in the building at 2.30 p. m. when there was a knock on the door. He answered the knock and saw a big truck standing by the curb. On the sidewalk were three men. One of them asked him where the manager was. While he was answering the question, he said, he was suddenly struck from behind by one of the other men by what felt like the butt of a revolver. He sank to the steps unconscious.

After lying there for two hours he came to and, after phoning for the police, noticed the absence of the 15 barrels of alcohol. He said that his instructions from the manager, Frank E. Bell of 55 Nottingham road, Brighton, were that he was not to allow anyone in the place during the manager's absence.

Parliament is Likely to Hold Autumn Session in Future; Railway Problem

HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY LEAGUE GOING SHORTLY

Organization Meeting Probable Next Week—Informal Basketball Series Talked of at Present.

The Interscholastic Hockey League will be reorganized next week Sussex High already has communicated with Fredericton High relative to a suitable date and Wednesday next may be the day with St. John the place.

The league for the past few seasons has been composed of Fredericton High, Sussex High, and Rothesay Collegiate. Those teams will be in and it is possible that St. John High will come in although handicapped by lack of rink accommodation.

It has been proposed that informal basketball series be played among the schools represented in the hockey league the matches being played on the same day as the hockey matches the players being largely members of the hockey teams. It is hoped that this will develop into an organized basketball league in 1923.

Definitely Decided
This morning it was decided definitely that the meeting would be held at St. John in the Y. M. C. A. Building a ten o'clock in the morning. It will be advocated by Fredericton High that the C. A. H. A. rules be adopted as they have been in the P. E. I. league. The entrance of St. John High is favored by the local school which has the same team as in 1921.

HOSPITAL KITCHEN SHOWER GREAT SUCCESS

Tae kitchen shower for the Fraser Memorial Hospital held under the auspices of the Hospital Aid was a grand success in every way. The utensils received exceeded expectation both in quantity and quality. Many ladies outside of the Society assisted to make the affair the success it was. Music was furnished by Messrs. Cain and Titus and was much appreciated. Mrs. G. C. VanWart and Mrs. Harry G. McNally presided at the prettily arranged table, Mrs. John Hawthorne looked after cake, Mrs. D. Richards ushered the guests to the dining room. Those serving were Mrs. Harry Chestnut, Mrs. Harold Babbitt, Mrs. Charles Weddall, Miss Waycott, Miss Helen Babbitt, Mrs. W. D. Gunter, Mrs. D. J. Shea, Miss Stairs, Miss Louise Sterling, Mrs. Stewart Neill, Miss Hanson, Miss Harvey and Miss Barry. Colwell & Jennings furnished the tables, Daughters of the Empire and Women's Institute, the dishes.

There was a large number present who expressed themselves as very much pleased with the hospital.

H. J. Grenier of Montreal is a guest at the Barker House.

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP TO HAVE FAIR TRIAL

No Pronouncement Made Yet at Ottawa—New Minister of Railways Will Approach the Situation With Caution—Present Heads of the G. T. May be Retired.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—Fall sessions will probably be the rule after the spring session which will commence in February on March. The premier and finance minister both favor a session starting before Christmas in order to get the debate on address out of the way and committees appointed before the holidays. Both also look with disfavor on all night sittings. "Steady does it" is their motto and one of the rules to be followed in the future will be adjournment every night at eleven o'clock.

So far as the railway policy of the government is concerned no public pronouncement has been made beyond the premiers promise that a fair trial would be given to public ownership. Hon. T. A. Crear's revelations as to the stand the Progressives will take in relation to the King government have a bearing on the railway situation. They give further color to statements made by some Liberals that the new administration will proceed at as early a date as possible to the inclusion of the Grand Trunk in the Canadian National Railways. A preliminary to this, it is said will be the retirement of some of the present heads of the Grand Trunk Railway. However the new minister of railways and canals, Hon. W. C. Kennedy, believes in approaching the situation like a business man. He is looking at all phases of the problem and will act only when his mind is made up as to the men under whose auspices the united system will show the best results.

WEEK-END MARKET

Fair Sized Market With Meats in Abundance—Eggs Scarce.

The week-end market this morning was fairly large with meats the great feature. There was a surplus of various kinds of meat. Eggs were scarce and the price was stiff. Prices ruled as follows:

Beef, per lb, 4 to 10 cents.
Mutton, 6 to 12 cents per lb.
Lamb, 10 to 15 cents per lb.
Chickens, 35 to 45 cents per lb.
Butter, 38 to 40 cents per lb.
Eggs, 65 to 70 cents dozen.
Turkeys, 60 cents per lb.
Fowl, 20 cents per lb.
Geese, \$2.00 each.
Apples, \$2 to \$6 per barrel.
Potatoes, \$2 per barrel.
Hay and wood also were on sale at varying prices, wood showing a downward tendency.

F. H. Moore of Moncton is in the city.

HON. CHAS. STEWART MAY FIND A SEAT IN NORTH WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—"The difficulties being experienced by Hon. Charles Stewart, former premier of Alberta, to gain admission to the King ministry through an Alberta constituency, has led to the possibility of North Winnipeg being opened for the minister of interior," says the Winnipeg Free Press this afternoon.

"According to a report from a Liberal source, a movement is on foot to arrange for the retirement of E. J. McMurray, M. P. elect for Winnipeg North, should Mr. Stewart be unable to obtain a seat in Alberta," the article says.

C. F. Mount, secretary of the North Winnipeg Conservative Association, when interviewed on the subject, said: "The Conservatives of North Winnipeg will not permit the return of a cabinet minister unopposed. Should Mr. Stewart seek election here he will certainly find opposition."