

Japs and Russians Attempt to Come to An Agreement

CONFERENCE TO BE HELD

Cabinet Decides to Open Preliminary Negotiations — Paris Mill Workers on Strike.

(Special to the Daily Mail)
Tokio, June 7—Decision of the Japanese cabinet to open preliminary negotiations to a formal conference at which Japan and Russia would attempt to reach an understanding today paved the way for interchanges between Japanese foreign office representatives and M. Joffe, representing Russia.

The cabinet has voted to enter into such exchanges. The exchanges will be confidential and it was expected will cover detailed terms in which Japan would be willing to come to the formal conference which are broken off several months ago and which Russia has requested be resumed.

Mill Workers' Strike
Paris, June 7—Mill workers at Bagnères in the Hautes Pyrénées are on strike against daylight saving time.

The workers contend they are compelled to go to work in the cold of early morning and return home during the blazing sun.

METHODISTS HELD DISTRICT MEETING

Fredericton District has had Successful Year — Reference to Death of Late Rev. J.J. Colter

The annual District Meeting of the Methodist Church was held Wednesday evening in the newly renovated vestry of the Fredericton Methodist Church with Rev. T. Arnold Wightman in the chair. The attending clergymen were as follows: F. H. Holmes, Fredericton; Dr. Richard W. Weddall, Fredericton; J. J. Pinkerton, Marysville; Ernest Westmorland Nashwaak; Levi J. Leard, Stanley; J. Spencer Gregg, Boiestown; Willis B. Laird, Keswick; Frederick W. Sandon, Shetfield; Alonzo D. McCully, Oromocto; Henry Penna, Gagetown.

Rev. T. Spencer Crisp, Young's Cove, was upon motion excused on account of pastoral duties that required his attendance in his field.

The recent death of Rev. J. J. Colter was noted and a beautiful obituary read by Rev. Dr. Weddall and a sympathetic letter was sent to his widow.

Asked to Resume Duties
Rev. James W. Howe who has been in Military service was upon motion asked if he would not respond to the call to take up the pastoral work since there are many vacancies in the circuit supply.

The moral and religious character and the competent abilities of the Ministers of the District for itinerant work were in each case considered and passed without reproach.

Upon motion it was agreed that Rev. Dr. Weddall and Henry Penna continue in supernumery relation.

Laymen in Attendance
The following laymen were in attendance: Messrs. Frank Richards, James M. Lemont, Chas. A. Sampson, Fredericton; W. W. Maxwell, Devon; Geo. W. Kimball, Oromocto; Wm. Munro, Nashwaak; John Dennison, Stanley; David Moore, Gagetown; Arthur Lawson, Queenstown.

Rev. F. A. Wightman, Rev. F. H. Holmes and Messrs. Geo. Kimball and J. M. Lemont were chosen a committee on Location of Church Property.

Committees
Rev. F. H. Holmes and J. J. Pinkerton were chosen to act on Stationary Committee at the annual conference. The following committees were also reported:—

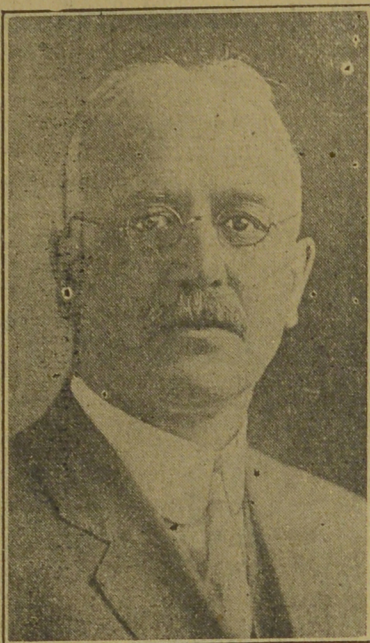
Lay Agencies—Rev. E. A. Westmorland and Thos. Boulter.

Contingent Fund—Rev. F. A. Wightman and H. E. Peters.

Sustentation Fund—Rev. A. D. Mc

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ON TOURIST TRIP



Premier Veniot of N. B. who was presented with Key of City by Mayor Curley of Boston this morning

WANT GREAT BRITAIN BACK IN ENTENTE

(Special to the Daily Mail)
PARIS, June 7—France and Belgium want Great Britain back in the Entente. They hope to bring about resumption of the old cordial relations of war time harmony with agreement upon the next German reparations. Plans for seeking British cooperation as well as that of Italy were formulated at Brussels on Wednesday between Premier Poincaré and Belgian Foreign Minister Jaspar. It was Belgium who proposed advances to Britain that are believed likely to lead to a renewal of the entente that fought the war.

SEDITION CHARGE AGAINST BRUCE IS DISMISSED

Glac Bay Magistrate Releases Him — Not Enough Evidence.

Sydney, N. S., June 6—The charge of seditious utterances against Malcolm Bruce, editor of the Worker, Toronto, was formally dismissed by Magistrate A. B. McGillivray at Glac Bay Town Hall this afternoon. His Honor declared that after reading the testimony he was unable to find evidence sufficient to warrant committing the accused for trial by a higher court. Bruce was, therefore, discharged and released from his bail bonds of \$1500.

The information charged that Bruce said he hoped to see the day when the Union Jack would be dragged in the mud, at a mass meeting of miners in Glac Bay on May 6 last.

Attorney-General W. J. O'Hearn instructed Crown Prosecutor Malcolm Patterson, Sydney, to investigate the Bruce case and if it were justified, to have him arrested on a charge of sedition. A warrant for arrest was later sworn out, but before Bruce could be apprehended, he had returned to Toronto where he was nominated to contest a city seat at the coming Ontario provincial election. Later he returned to Cape Breton and gave himself up for trial.

Gubernatorial Reception

On Tuesday the 5th at Government House, St. Stephen, some six hundred people of Calais, Me., St. Stephen and neighboring towns, paid their respects to Hon. W. F. Todd and Mrs. Todd at a reception. The entertainment was one of the most successful of its kind ever held, the residence of His Honor lending itself well to the reception of guests and the arrangements being excellent.

UNIVERSITIES IN ENGLAND ARE HARD UP ARE SEEKING LOCAL GRANTS

Feeling Strain of Financial Commitments — Attempting to Increase Revenue.

London, June 7—Universities of Great Britain are feeling the strain of financial commitments and are endeavoring to devise means for increasing their revenue. The definite opinion of Sir Theodore Morison, Principal of Armstrong College, Newcastle-on-Tyne is that the Treasury grants have saved the universities of England. Without the assistance they have received from the State he holds it would have been almost impossible for them to have come through the war crisis.

It was at the annual conference of the universities of Great Britain and Ireland in King's College London, that Sir Theodore Morison made this statement in the presence not only of the heads of all the chief universities including Oxford, but also the President of the Board of Education Maj. E. F. L. Wood. None denied the assertion. The head of Armstrong College was reviewing the financial outlook of the universities, and he said that as there were three beneficiaries of university development; namely the State, the individual—meaning the student—and neighborhood in which the university is situated they should contribute pro rata to the benefits derived. In respect of universities and university colleges of the normal type the assistance which they have received by way of Parliamentary grants during the last few years as indicated in the annual governmental report on grants has varied between one-third and one half of their total incomes.

Asks Local Aid.

The Principal of Armstrong College holds that the local people should do more than they have done hitherto for their own universities. They should make it their business to get the principle generally recognized that a university should receive not less than the proceeds of a penny rate (2 cents) from the country borough in which it is situated and the proceeds of a halfpenny (1 cent) from the counties and adjacent boroughs which make use of it.

CONTINGENT FROM N. B. TOURIST ASSOCIATION HAS ARRIVED IN BOSTON

(Special to the Daily Mail)
Boston, Mass., June 7—The contingent from New Brunswick Tourist Association arrived at eight o'clock, leaving by the steamer Governor Dingley and are certainly having the time of their lives. We were met at the wharf by a delegation from the Boston Canadian Club and escorted to Hotel Bellevue which is their headquarters. At ten o'clock Premier Veniot accompanied by a heavy body guard called upon Mayor Hurley and the Premier was presented by His Worship with the key of the city. Afterwards the party were photographed for the newspapers. At one o'clock the whole contingent called upon Governor Cox at the State House and were most cordially greeted. At one o'clock the visiting members of the Canadian Club and others were guests of city authorities at an elaborate luncheon at Hotel Bellevue. Speeches by Premier Veniot and others followed.

This afternoon the visitors are sightseeing. In the evening they will attend a public meeting at Ford Hall where Premier Veniot will deliver an address on New Brunswick. The expedition is proving a great success and will prove a splendid advertisement on all sides. Officials of the Eastern Steamship Company are being warmly praised for their enterprise and hospitality. At the annual meeting of the Tourist Association yesterday C. C. Avard of Sackville

ATTACK ON ORTHODOXIES OF PRESBYTERIANS SOME PLAIN STATEMENTS

Dr. Van Dyke Calls Wine Abstinence 'Absurd'—Upheld Truth of Evolution.

New York, June 7—Attacking certain orthodoxies affirmed by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church among them the doctrine of total abstinence, Dr. Henry Van Dyke, former United States minister to The Netherlands, in a sermon at Park Avenue, Presbyterian Church upheld the divine truth of evolution and indirectly referred to William Jennings Bryan as among those who talked too much and read little.

Cripples the Church.

Under the vocal leadership of a gentleman from Florida late from Nebraska a sincere earnest devoted but frequently mistaken man an attempt it made to do things which it would seem to me cripple the church said Dr. Van Dyke. One of these mistakes is to declare war between religion and science by denouncing the evolutionary hypothesis of man's physical nature as anti-scriptural and atheistic. You might as well denounce the Copernican system of astronomy on the same grounds." Dr. Van Dyke deplored the attempt by the General Assembly to impose on the Presbyterian Church a pledge to total abstinence from wine. Discussing it, aside from the question of national abstinence he said.

To say the use of wine is per se sinful is to tell a lie and contradict the Bible. For a Christian church to impose a pledge which would have excluded Jesus Christ from its ministry and membership is manifestly so absurd as to border on the blasphemous."

In closing Dr. Van Dyke referred once more to the gentleman from Florida "the church authorities and possible consequence of his sermon.

But if they wish to turn me out, there shall be no quarrel with you in regard to your right to take such action. Heresy trials I hate, they are the meanest form of publicity. Tell me to go with authority and I will go with a regretful quietness that will make the folded tents of the Arabs seem like a loud noise."

K. OF P. ELECTION

Fredericton Lodge No. 6 Chose A. B. Belyea, Chancellor Commander

At the regular weekly meeting of Fredericton Lodge No. 6 Knights of Pythias held at Castle Hall last evening the following officers were duly elected for the ensuing term:—

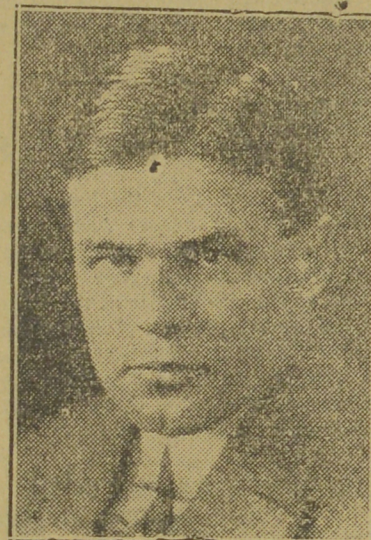
C. C.—A. B. Belyea.
V. C.—Wm. Warren.
Prelate—F. Clarkson.
M. of W.—Oscar Harris.
M. at A.—J. McKenzie.
I. G.—G. J. Rosborough.
O. G.—Geo. Segee.
D. G. C.—Geo. Tennant.
Grand representatives—Oscar Harris and Ewart Atkinson.

Left for Cape Breton

Brennan and King who were left field and pitcher for Casey's Boston team here last evening left this morning for Cape Breton where they have signed for the season with one of the clubs.

De Valera Changes His Tactics to Circulating Political Propaganda

IN BUDAPEST



E. W. Beatty, President of C. P. R. who interviewed Premier of Hungary at Budapest This Week.

IS AGAIN IN THE OPEN

Irish Rebel Chief Has Abandoned Campaign of Destruction—Clash at Leipsig.

(Special to the Daily Mail)
London, June 7—Eamonn De Valera, the Grey Fox of Ireland's underground warfare has come out into the open again. His appearance in Dublin has followed his order to irregulars to lay down their arms. It is believed that shifting his tactics from secret Guerilla fighting in efforts to overthrow the free state he is appearing openly to fight for the Republican cause on a basis of political propaganda, abandoning his campaign of destruction. Should De Valera follow this course the Irish Free State will be faced by new problems. As long as De Valera remained a semi-fugitive the Free State virtually ignored him.

Fatalities at Leipsig.

Berlin, June 7—Six persons were killed and twenty four wounded in a clash between demonstrators and Police at Leipsig. The Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung reports that an engine and sixteen cars have been blown up at Lintorf. Extreme pessimism marked the receipt Wednesday night of the news of the Franco-Belgian agreement at Brussels.

German Marks Seized.

Berlin, June 7—The directors of the Reichsbank announce that since the end of February French and Belgians in the Ruhr have seized 270,336,250,000 German Marks.

LOWER ST. MARY'S W. I.

Mrs. Chas. Bird Elected President—Institute in Flourishing State.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute of Lower St. Mary's met at the Barker's Point School House last night with a good attendance of members. Much important business was transacted including the election of officers which resulted as follows:—

President—Mrs. Chas. Bird.
Vice-president—Mrs. Fred Close.
Sec. Treas.—Mrs. E. G. Merritt.
The four directors elected were Mrs. R. T. Scott, Mrs. Exa Dunbar, Mrs. Thomas Hanson and Mrs. Arthur Rice. The auditors appointed are Mrs. Henry Carman and Mrs. Chas. Hamilton.

The retiring officers read their different reports which were very encouraging the books showing a good healthy balance on hand. The past three years in which this branch of the Institute has been in existence it has made great advance and its influence for good is being felt through out the community. In the past year the receipts and expenditures were as follows:—

Money received \$575.42, paid out, \$403.87. There is a balance in the bank of \$144.58. When it is taken into consideration that the Women's Institute of Lower St. Mary's have installed the electric lights in the bridge and part of the road with an eight-day clock attached the showing is a remarkable one and proves the business-like methods adopted by this branch of the organization.

Graduated in Law

Miss A. Gertrude Adams daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Adams of Brockton, Mass., was one of a class of thirty-three graduated by the Portia Law School in Boston, a women's institution. The course covered four years. Miss Adams has not yet been admitted to practice. She is a native of Fredericton and in her younger years attended the public schools here. She and her family have many acquaintances here.

Sentence Suspended.

One drunk was arrested last night He was before the police magistrate this morning and was let go on a suspended sentence.

GERMANY DELIVERS PLAN TO ALLIES

(Special to the Daily Mail)
BERLIN, June 7—Germany is delivering to the allies this afternoon her new solution of the reparations dispute. Couriers from Berlin have arrived in the allied capitals and will simultaneously lay the new reparations offer in the hands of the Foreign Minister. The note bears out previous unofficial predictions as to its contents except in the section relating to consumption taxes.

NEW PREMIER ALL READY TO ACT RE EUROPE

Baldwin is Determined to Force Settlement—Waiting for Chance.

London, June 6—Premier Baldwin is waiting only for a favorable opportunity to make a determined effort to secure a permanent settlement of the problems of reparations and interallied debts.

For more than a week he has been making inquiries in financial and diplomatic circles on the soundness or otherwise of the Bonar Law scheme which was rejected by France in January and whether Great Britain in view of the fact she has now funded American debt and that France is already in occupation of the Ruhr can afford to continue in support of this plan.

Baldwin has a mass of information on these points but there is every indication that he will decide to support the Bonar Law scheme in a slightly modified form.

The Time Has Come.

The Premier thinks that the time has come when Britain must take a firm hand in the settlement of the problems that now confront Europe and he is not inclined to allow matters to drag on indefinitely. Postponement of settlement may in his opinion lead to the collapse of Germany which will retard the trade recovery of Britain.

He is definitely in favor of concerted allied action and emphatically against the isolated enforcement of the right of individual creditors.

TORY ORGANIZER RESIGNS

Halifax, N. S., June 6—Dr. Colonel Joseph Hayes, announced tonight his resignation as organizer and secretary of the Liberal Conservative Association of Nova Scotia. Dr. Hayes will devote his time to private interests.

CHINESE CABINET RESIGNS

Peking, June 6—The Chinese cabinet resigned today.