

FRENCH CABINET HAS RESIGNED

JAP SAILORS MAY HAVE DROWNED

GREEK KING REFUSES TO ABDICATE

Wants Action of National Assembly Confirmed by a National Plebiscite — Proclamation Issued Against Dethronement of Dynasty

PREPARING FOR A PLEBISCITE

(Special Cable to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)
Bucharest, March 26—(Bulletin)—King George of Greece announced today he will refuse to abdicate the Greek throne until a national plebiscite confirms the action of the Assembly at Athens in dethroning the dynasty and declaring a republic.

Proclamation Issued.

(Special to the Daily Mail)
Athens, March 26—The Greek constitutional committee issued a proclamation today against the dethronement of the dynasty alleging that a republican militaristic minority was responsible for the Assembly's action.

It urged the Greek people to make any sacrifice to support their constitutional rights.

The preparations are under way to hold a national plebiscite.

JAPANESE SAILORS LOST THEIR LIVES

(Special Cable to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)
Dungeness, England, March 26—Twenty three Japanese sailors are believed to have drowned when the German steamer Heindal struck and sank the Japanese cargo boat Tokufunin Maru in a dense fog off the Kentish headland at midnight last night. Sixteen of the Tokufunin Maru's crew were saved.

NEW JUDGE WAS WARMLY CONGRATULATED

Bathurst, March 26—His Honor A. F. LeBlanc the new incumbent of a judgeship in the Supreme Court Bench of the province, recently sworn in by Sir J. Douglas Hazen, Chief Justice, held his first court here. Prior to the opening of the business of the session, N. A. Landry, K. C. extended the congratulations of the Bar of Gloucester county to the new judge. It was particularly fitting, he said, that it should be himself who extended congratulations to Judge LeBlanc, as he was the brother of the late Sir Pierre Landry, C. J., who had preceded the new judge to the bench. Brief congratulatory remarks were addressed to the new judge by Geo. Gilbert, K. C., J. L. Ryan, C. T. Richards and Harold Ramsay. Judge LeBlanc replied briefly, thanking the gentlemen who had spoken for their congratulations and assuring them that he would do his best to live up to the high traditions of the New Brunswick courts.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. F. P. Regan, K. C., of St. John is here on business with the Legislature.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. FitzRandolph who have been spending the winter in New York returned home yesterday.

WANTS CHINA TO RECOGNIZE THE SOVIET DELIVERED

A NOTE TODAY

Says Russia Has No Intention of Exceeding Original Agreement.

By RAY MARSHALL.
British United Press Correspondent.

Peking, March 26—Soviet emissary Karakhan today delivered a note to Dr. Wellington Koo, new Chinese foreign minister, insisting that China sign a preliminary agreement drawn up by Karakhan and former minister Wang or begin all over again at the bottom and recognize unconditionally Russia before negotiations are resumed. The Russian note states that Russia has no intention of exceeding conditions contained in the original agreement and indicates little hope of resumption of negotiations.

It is learned that a strong Chinese element opposing recognition of Russia depended upon developments in the internal political situation to break down negotiations. Their hope has been realized and now China's politicians are fighting among themselves.

ROUND THE WORLD FLIERS OFF FOR LYONS

(Special Cable to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)
LeHavre, France, March 26—(Bulletin)—The British round-the-world fliers took off for Lyons shortly after eleven a. m. today. The weather was cloudy and unfavorable.

FREDERICTON BILLS AGREED TO THIS MORNING

Committee Room, March 26, 1924.
The Municipalities Committee met this morning with Mr. Doucet in the chair and took up consideration of the bill relating to the Town of Hartland, which was agreed to with slight amendment.

The bill relating to Debuture Issue by the Town of Sunny Brae was allowed to stand.

The bill relating to the Town of Campbellton, the bill to enable the City of Fredericton to issue debentures to instal a new unit of the Water System, the bill to enable the City of Fredericton to take over Wilmot Park and the bill to enable the City of Fredericton to make grants for public charitable and educational purposes, were agreed to without amendment.

The bill respecting Permanent Sidewalks and Highways in Lancaster was allowed to stand. Mr. McKenna drew attention to a section which would authorize the Lieut. Governor-in-Council to fix and determine on application by councillors the proportion of cost to be contributed by the Canadian Pacific Railway, N. B. Telephone Company and other public utilities. He objected that the power should be general or should not be given at all.

PANTOMIME CAT IN A SUIT

London, March 25—One of England's most famous pantomime cats figured in a remarkable court case. It was alleged by the "cat" who is Timothy Playford that a man in one of the boxes at a performance tried to push him off a rope ladder. He might have fallen twenty-five feet a moment hung suspended head downward. Then he scrambled back into the box but only after suffering a wrenched knee.

The "cat" sued for damages saying that the offending spectator was in a merry condition. It was suggested in court that even pantomime cats have nine lives.

Premier Poincare and Colleagues Surrender Reins of Government

Resignation Has Been Accepted by President Millerand — Crisis Was Precipitated by a Comparative Minor Issue — Policy Towards Germany Has Provoked a Storm of Criticism.

(By Webb Miller, British United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, March 26—Premier Poincare today presented the resignation of his cabinet to President Millerand. President Millerand accepted the resignation. Defeat and resignation of Raymond Poincare, former president and several times Premier of France, came on a comparatively minor issue today, after the Premier had survived storms of criticism for his policy towards Germany and his fiscal program. The Government's pension bill was presented in the Chamber by Count De Lasteyrie, who made it a question of confidence in the government. By a narrow margin of seven votes, the deputies defeated the measure. Poincare immediately met with his ministers and after some discussion of re-forming the cabinet went to the Elysee and presented the resignation of the entire cabinet to the president.

PUBLIC ACCTS. COMMITTEE MET TODAY

The Public Accounts Committee of the House of Assembly held a meeting this morning with Hon. Fred Magee in the chair. After considering a communication from Dr. J. V. Anglin, Supt. of the Provincial Hospital concerning matters connected with that institution and hearing the Comptroller General, W. A. Loudoun, with regard to the methods employed in creating sinking funds, the committee adjourned until next Tuesday morning.

Dr. Anglin had been expected to appear before the committee in regard to accounts owing the province from certain municipalities. He sent two communications which gave the required information and was excused from attendance although prepared to be present at a later date.

Mr. Peck asked the Comptroller General concerning the method pursued in establishing the sinking funds.

Satisfactory progress was made in covering the annual report of the Comptroller General.

INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE.

Mt. Allison and University of New Brunswick Teams To Meet Tonight.

Dr. C. C. Jones, Chancellor of the University of New Brunswick will occupy the chair at the City Opera House tonight when the debating teams of that University and Mount Allison will meet in the Maritime Intercollegiate series. The judges are to be C. F. Sanford of St. John, Prof. W. McL. Rogers of Acadia University, Wolfville, and R. T. Hayes, M. P. P. of St. John.

The subject is "Resolved that the Covenant of the League of Nations should be amended to exclude all provision for the use of military, naval or aerial force in the settlement of international disputes."

The U. N. B. team which will support the resolution is composed of A. E. L. Booth, leader, J. D. B. Harrison and A. A. Wishart. The Mt. Allison team which will take the negative is composed of F. M. Meekelader, W. B. Perry and K. B. Palmer.

One never knows how many semi-professional architects there are in the world until one starts building a home.

CONFESSES STEALING HER GUEST'S PEARLS

Berlin, March 26—Czecho-Slovakia has supplied a scandal over stolen pearls which has stirred society throughout Central Europe and is causing many women to wear imitation jewels, even when attending balls given in private homes. At Graz, Czecho-Slovakia, the Countess Herberstein attended a ball given by Major Conrad von Conradstein. She wore a pearl necklace valued at \$9,000,000 kronen.

The string on which the pearls hung broke during a dance and the pearls scattered over the floor. All the pearls supposedly were picked up and put into a box, but the countess discovered later that many of the most valuable were missing. She had her hostess arrested, and the hostess confessed the theft and told where she had sold the pearls.

Will Go To Manitoba.

Frederick Garfield Goodspeed from Senior Assistant Engineer, Public Works, St. John has been promoted to District Engineer, Grade 2, Winnipeg, Man. Mr. Goodspeed is a graduate in Arts of Acadia University and a graduate in Civil Engineering of the University of New Brunswick. While at college he played on the football teams and was rated as one of the best forwards in the game. He is a member of the Engineering Institute of Canada. During the war he held the rank of major. Mr. Goodspeed resides on the Manawagonish Road, Lancaster. This is the second promotion this year from the office of Geoffrey Stead, H. F. Bennett having been sent to Halifax. Mr. Goodspeed is a brother of C. N. Goodspeed of this city and Bertrand Goodspeed of Penniac.

Graduated at Brooklyn.

Miss Mary K. Carten and Miss Mary A. Cain both of Fredericton were graduated in nursing at St. Mary's Hospital School, Brooklyn recently. Miss Cain was awarded the John C. MacEvitt medal for charting. Sr. Mary's is the oldest registered Catholic hospital in America and is conducted by the Sisters of Charity of Mount St. Vincent.

F. S. Sharpe of the Bank of Montreal staff has left for Sydney, C. B. where he has been transferred.

A CUP BATTLE WAS STAGED IN A CAFE

A RIOT CALL WAS SENT IN

The Air was Filled with Flying Missiles Hurlled at the Guests.

Boston, March 26—Cups and plates were used as missiles in a merry battle at Child's restaurant early today that sent a man and a woman to a hospital, broke much crockery and a plate glass window and required police reserves to quell the riot.

Cup Hit Woman.

The injured persons are David Rosenfield, Mattapan, a Fulton street business man and Mrs. Helen Jacobson. Rosenfield sustained cuts on the face and head and Mrs. Jacobson was hurt when her head stopped a flying cup. Rosenfield was later taken to the Lagrange street station, where he faces charges of intoxication.

As the police tell the story, Mrs. Jacobson was the storm centre of the free-for-all battle.

Early today she entered the restaurant, accompanied by several women. Her husband, Marcus, remained outside for a few minutes to chat with friends.

When he entered Mrs. Jacobson, so the story goes, told him she had been insulted by some men at a nearby table.

Jacobson stepped over and demanded an apology. While it is not a matter of official record, apparently the apology was not granted. At any rate the free-for-all battle was on directly afterward and the air was soon filled with flying missiles.

Innocent guests sitting at nearby tables found themselves a target for flying cups and plates and scurried to cover. A wild heave sent a plate crashing against one of the large plate glass windows and through it to the street.

The men attaches on duty were unable to effect a peaceful settlement and a riot call was sent in to the Lagrange street station, a short distance away.

In a few minutes a squad of husky policemen appeared, peace was restored and he wounded were cared for.

WILL BUILD BRANCH LINE TO VANCEBORO

Ottawa, March 25—Hon. G. J. Graham, Minister of Railways, intends to bring down twenty-six different bills for the branch lines programme of the C. N. R. it was announced today. Last year they were all covered in one bill which was rejected by the senate.

By bringing down a separate bill for each branch line, there will be an opportunity for parliament to discriminate between the different branch lines, if so desired. In all the bills, it is intimated the three-year provision of last year will be included.

The lines provided for in the bills which the Minister of Railways will submit to the House include:

Nova Scotia.

From Sunny Brae to Guysboro, 67 miles. Estimated cost \$3,500,000. From Lockport station on the Halifax and Southwestern, to the town of Lockport, four miles. Estimated cost \$161,000.

New Brunswick.

From Kingsclear, on the St. John and Quebec Railway to a point on the St. Croix River, opposite Vanceboro, Maine, 41 miles. Estimated cost \$2,123,000.

SUBWAY WORKERS TO STRIKE

London Likely to be Left Without Transportation Facilities Except Taxicabs and Pirate Busses by Friday of This Week.

CONFERENCES BEING HELD

(Special Cable to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)
London, March 26—Unless London's tram and bus strike is settled by Friday night, subway workers will walk out as well, it was officially announced today. This would leave the city without transportation except for taxicabs, and a few "pirate" busses.

The locomotive men's union announced that its members employed on underground systems have been ordered to quit work Friday night. Meanwhile conferences in which the government has taken part, have proved fruitless.

The government has introduced a traffic bill in the Commons which it hopes may lead to a settlement.

RUSSIA HAS NO WAR LIKE INTENTIONS

By JOHN GRAUDENZ.

British United Press Correspondent.

Moscow, March 26—Regarding reports of the red army mobilization and troop movements, emanating from Japanese sources, the British United Press was officially authorized today to state that Russia "never threatened to mobilize her army, never moved a single soldier, nor undertook any steps which could be interpreted as being war like intentions."

Such statements were merely invented to scare China and delude Chinese public opinion, the Russian government declares.

S.S. D. J. PURDY LAUNCHED AT METEGHAN, N. S.

Yarmouth, March 25—The launching took place at Meteghan yesterday at one o'clock of the new motorship D. J. Purdy built there by the Meteghan Marine Railway and Shipbuilding Company for the Crystal Stream Shipping Company of St. John N. B. The new craft is one of the most perfectly constructed vessels ever put afloat from a St. Mary's shipyard and is a great credit to the builders. The ship is of a three deck model and measures 150 feet on deck, 27 wide, but owing to the craft being built for service on the St. John River it has only a seven foot draft. The vessel throughout is beautifully finished in native woods and her accommodations are particularly suited to the service which the ship will perform. The new craft will be towed to St. John where it will be equipped with powerful crude oil engines of the latest type which with the very fine lines of the ship it is estimated will give a speed of seventeen knots or more.

Penalty Imposed.

A resident of a western parish, arrested for creating a disturbance in a local hotel Monday night was convicted in the police court this afternoon and given a penalty of fifteen dollars fine or thirty days in jail.