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British Dominions To be Consulted in Re Signapore Base

Imperial Authorities, in View of the Partial Success of the Naval Conference, Do Not Want to Proceed With the Work—Dominion's Have Contributed Towards the Cost.

(Special to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

LONDON, April 30—The British Dominions are to be consulted about the future of the Singapore naval base.

The British Government in view of the partial success of the recent naval conference do not want to proceed with the work, but as the Dominions contributed payments for the construction of the base, the question of what shall be done with the money has now arisen.

In this connection, it is suggested that Singapore should be converted into a depot for airships and aeroplanes as part of a scheme for inter-imperial communications.

Epoch Making Event

London, April 30—Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald sat in the cabinet room at 10 Downing street today and chatted for fifteen minutes with Prime Minister James Scullin, inaugurating the Anglo-Australian telephone service.

HON. H. BOSTOOK SENATE SPEAKER PASSES AWAY

Vancouver, April 28—Hon. Hewitt Bostock, Speaker of the Canadian Senate, died late last night at his home in Monte Creek, B. C., according to word received here. Senator Bostock was unconscious for some hours before his death. The cause of death was uraemia. Mrs. Bostock, his two sons and three of his daughters were with him at the end.

The Senator was ill upon his arrival at Monte Creek, from Ottawa, Saturday, and had to be assisted from the train, but it was not until late yesterday that the seriousness of his illness became known to the public.

One of the leading figures in Canada's parliamentary circles is removed by the death of Senator Bostock. Entering the House of Commons as Liberal member for Yale-Cariboo, B. C., 34 years ago, he gained popularity from the first and was soon a power in the Liberal party. He was a government minister and Liberal leader in the Senate before appointment as Speaker of the Upper Chamber.

ITALY TO BUILD NEW WAR CRAFT

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Rome, Italy, April 30—Construction of 29 new warships was approved today by the cabinet. The warships approved include one cruiser, two scout ships, four destroyers, and 22 submarines.

CREW RESCUED

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Leghorn, Italy, April 30—The crew of the motor fishing boat Polaga was rescued with difficulty today when the vessel sank in heavy seas after it was rammed by the steamship, Colonne Boazzoli, as the latter was leaving port.

E. LEFLUR, K. C. NOTED LAWYER PASSES AWAY

Ottawa, April 29—Eugene Lafleur, K. C., one of Canada's most distinguished barristers, died here shortly before 6 o'clock tonight from pneumonia. Coming to Ottawa from his home in Montreal the middle of last week to conduct a case before the Supreme Court of Canada, Mr. Lafleur was stricken and from the first there were grave fears that he could survive because he had not a robust constitution and was 74 years of age. However, for a time, he seemed to be getting the better of the disease and even this morning he appeared to be on the mend.

Mr. Lafleur was prominently connected with most of the largest litigations, which Canada has had in recent years. He was to have acted as the Dominion's representative on the board of arbitration which is to investigate the "Tm Alone" dispute with the United States.

Death came very suddenly. Mr. Lafleur had been in fairly good spirits and had been able to take nourishment only a few minutes before he died. Shortly before 6 o'clock his heart failed. With him at the bedside were his daughters, Mrs. J. Parsons and Miss Floet Lafleur; his son, Gilbert, and the latter's wife, all of Montreal. His brother, Dr. H. A. Lafleur, also of Montreal, had visited him several times in the last few days, but was not present when death came.

COMMUNIST LEADERS ARE UNDER ARREST

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

London, April 30—All communist leaders at Bucharest, Roumania and fifty communists at Sofia, Bulgaria, have been arrested in connection with arrangements for May Day demonstrations, a Vienna dispatch to the London Daily said today.

THE OLD SCHOOL QUESTION HAS COME TO LIFE

Interesting Debate in Parliament Yesterday Over Alberta Natural Resources Bill.

Ottawa, April 29—The old school question, which agitated Parliament a quarter of a century ago when Sir Wilfrid Laurier was Prime Minister, came to life once more in the House of Commons today. The bill which approves the agreement providing for return of the natural resources to the Province of Alberta was before the House for second reading. It will receive further consideration tomorrow.

C. H. Cahan, Conservative member for St. Lawrence-St. George, who was one of the chief critics of the Manitoba bill yesterday, again took the floor. He addressed his remarks both to the Alberta and Saskatchewan natural resources legislation.

"After a lapse of nearly a quarter of a century, I regret to see that, in the express terms of the Saskatchewan agreement, and by the terms of the amendment to the Albert agreement of which we have notice, the right to have even a half hour's religious instruction after the close of the secular school, is placed in the melting pot," asserted Mr. Cahan.

"It is proposed by the enactment which is before this Parliament that the Government of Alberta or the Government of Saskatchewan, as the case may be, will, when these agreements are authorized by statutes of this Parliament, appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council to have it decided that the meagre rights conferred in 1905 for one-half hour's religious instruction after the close of the secular school, are unconstitutional and invalid."

View Not Accepted.

For the Government, Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice, refused to accept Mr. Cahan's contention that the rights now enjoyed by Roman Catholics in Alberta and Saskatchewan were in danger. Already the constitutionality of the Alberta and Saskatchewan acts, relating to schools, had been tested out in the Supreme Court and sustained.

Later, Hon. R. B. Bennett, Conservative leader, entered the debate. He criticized the method adopted by the parties to the natural resources agreements, declaring that the proper procedure would be to apply to the Imperial Parliament for amendments to the British North America Act. The process actually adopted was to make agreements which were ultra vires of Dominion and Provincial parliaments and have them legalized subsequently by the Imperial Parliament. Regarding national parks, he protested against creating an area within a province which was not subject to the laws of the province.

Hon. C. A. Dunning, Minister of Finance, followed Mr. Bennett. He was proud, he said, to have a part in an occasion which he considered historic. The agreements wiped out the last vestige of inferiority from the Prairie Provinces.

Debate was adjourned by Dr. Murray MacLaren, Conservative member for Saint John-Albert.

In City Today.

F. T. Lavoie, M. L. A., Northumberland County, is in the city today on business. He is registered at the Windsor Hotel.

NINE SAILORS DROWNED WHEN STEAMER SANK

A Shipping Accident Reported Off Coast of Spain

TWO FISHING BOATS LOST

Crew of Another Craft Was Rescued With Difficulty.

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)
Gijon, Spain, April 30—Nine sailors were drowned in shipping accidents last night and this morning. The Mariivi sank off the coast, drowning Jose Manuel, Agreda and Andres Perez, a fireman.

The first of two fishing boats returning to Cotuna was wrecked and went down with the loss of Emilio Priego, Constante Martinez, Manuel Somoza, and Domingo Crespo, Jose Villarin and two others.

BELCOURT MAY BE SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Ottawa, April 29—A new Speaker for the Senate, which position was made vacant by the death of Hon. Hewitt Bostock, will probably be filled by the Government before the Senate reassembles on May 13. Premier Mackenzie King intimated this today.

While the Prime Minister did not indicate who was likely to get the position which carries with it the same salary as the Speaker of the House of Commons—\$6000 a year, and \$3,000 living allowance—the general belief on Parliament Hill is that Senator N. A. Belcourt will be appointed. Senator Belcourt has usually been acting Speaker whenever Senator Bostock was absent and is at present acting Government leader in the Senate during his absence of Senator Dandurand.

HAS HIS FRIEND ARRESTED AND HELPS HIM OUT

Seattle, April 30—Axel Quist suspected Al Lindberg of stealing some of his turkeys, so he gave Al a trouncing. Al had him arrested on an assault charge. The judge fined Quist \$25.

Quist turned to the prosecuting witness.

"Say, Al," he said, "lend me \$25, will you?"

"Sure, old pal," replied Lindberg, who paid the fine. Al and Axel left the court room arm by arm.

DISCOUNT RATE IS REDUCED

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Brussels, Belgium, April 30—The National Bank today reduced its discount rate on half percent to three percent for accepted bills and one per cent to four per cent for loans and advances.

Car Struck Boy.

George Burden, 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Burden, 485 Charlotte street, received injuries yesterday afternoon, in front of his home, when he was struck a glancing blow by a passing car. The young lad was playing ball with some of his boy friends, and in retrieving the ball went into the path of the car. This morning the lad was taken to the hospital where an X-ray was taken. He is resting fairly comfortable this afternoon.

Japan Opposed to Convention For Promoting Peace

Delegate Nobumi Ito, Goes on Record Before Security and Arbitration Commission of the League of Nations—Long Discussed Project of League Air Force is Advanced a Stage.

By HENRY WOOD, British United Press Staff Correspondent

GENEVA, April 30—Japan went on record before the League of Nations today as opposing a world wide convention for strengthening the means of preventing war.

Nobumi Ito, Japanese delegate, told the security and arbitration commission of the League that his country has been convinced that the best end would be attained by bilateral and regional treaties for strengthening security.

Geneva, April 30—The long discussed project for a League of Nations air force was a step nearer realization today.

The League's commission of arbitration and security considered the proposal yesterday and despite German opposition insisted it was imperative that the league lay foundations now for the eventual possession of the fullest and freest communication.

PACHYDERMS ANGERED BY JAZZ MUSIC

Philadelphia, April 29—The real "low down" on the private life of the elephants at the Philadelphia Zoo, as revealed by C. Emerson Brown, the director, brought shouts of laughter to the 400 children who attended the Junior Forum at the Penn Athletic Club.

Brown said that so temperamental are the pachyderms that they can not stand jazz music, but they wave their ears peacefully when strains of a classical character are rendered.

He showed moving pictures of a band playing for the elephants a few years ago. "All went well," Mr. Brown recalled, "until modern jazz was offered. One of the elephants got so mad that she filled her trunk with water and showered it over the musicians."

Pictures were shown of Lizzie, an Indian elephant, nine feet tall and weighing four tons.

"Lizzie," Brown said, "is a one man elephant. She will do anything in the world for Louis Brecker, but nothing for anyone else."

"In fact," Brown continued, "when her special attendant was away for a few days some time ago, she tossed aside with her trunk another man who tried to take his place. He was injured."

POLITICAL ACTIVITY IN CARLETON CO.

Woodstock, April 29—The campaign for the coming general election is well under way in Carleton county. Both the Government and Opposition parties are holding committee meetings for organization purposes and both sides have selected the time and place for their county conventions. The Opposition party will be held first being set for next Monday at a local theatre. The Government force will convene at the same place one week later.

Considerable speculation is rife concerning both tickets. Indications are that both the members from the southern and central portions of the county, F. C. Squires and E. W. Melville, will again be chosen to stand for the run, but it is said that B. Frank Smith has no desire to run again. It is taken for granted that Hon. W. P. Jones, leader of the Opposition, will head the ticket for that party. Several other names are prominently mentioned as possible running mates for Mr. Jones.

The temperance forces of the county are showing an active interest in the campaign and have called a meeting at Hartland for the latter part of the week.

RED LEADERS GET TERMS OF IMPRISONMENT

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Rome, April 30—Sentences varying from 18 months to ten years nine months were imposed on five communists convicted of plotting against the state of distributing subversive leaflets on August 1, 1929. One denigrant was acquitted.

Motored to City.

Clifford McQuarrie, and Frank Seeley, of Hartland, N. B., motored here this morning and will be here for several days on business. The two reported the roads in good shape for the time of year, and said they had no difficulty whatever, in the trip.

GHANDI'S SON TO SERVE A YEAR IN PRISON

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Delhi, India, April 30—Devi Das Gandhi, son of Mahatma Gandhi, leader of the Indian Independent campaign, was sentenced to a year rigorous imprisonment today on charges of seditious propaganda.

Is at Headquarters.

Brig. Gen. F. W. Hill, commissioner of the New Brunswick Provincial Police, arrived here last night from his home in Saint John. Gen. Hill will make his permanent residence in this city, commencing on May 1st, it is understood.