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Twenty-Two People Lost Their Lives in Tokio Holocaust

Fire Early Today Swept Through Twenty Buildings in the Densely Populated Fukagawa Tenement District. — French Debt Payment Now Waits on Action by Washington.

(Special to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

TOKIO, Dec. 23—Twenty-two persons, including fifteen children, were burned to death today when fire swept through twenty buildings in the densely populated Fukagawa tenement district.

Most of the dead were trapped on the upper floors of the flimsy frame structures as the flames leaped from building to building, cutting off all escape.

French Payment Shelved

PARIS, Dec. 23—Payment of the \$19,261,432 French war debt installment to the United States defaulted Dec. 15th, was definitely shelved today until Washington agrees to reopen negotiations for debt revision.

LLOYD GEORGE HEARD FROM IN THE COMMONS

The Little Welshman in a Fiery Mood and Intimates That He's Ready To Go To Jail.

London, Eng., Dec. 22—In defence of his stand that if Cabinet secrets are to be revealed, they be wholly made public instead of only partially, Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George stood announced tonight as ready to go to jail if necessary on the issue of further disclosures.

The tense scene which accompanied his announcement in the House of Commons today was occasioned by the warning of Lord Hailsham, Secretary for War, and others in the House of Lords, that disclosures of Cabinet secrets made the offender liable to two years' imprisonment. Leading disclosure by several members, including the former Liberal leader himself, during debate in the House, of proceedings in Lloyd George's Cabinet in connection with the 1923 British-United States debt settlement.

Demand by Lloyd George that that time that Cabinet minutes be published in full was refused.

In A Fiery Mood

In fiery mood today the little Welshman referred to the passages in the House of Lords. It was a new thing, he said, when the Lords threatened members of the Commons.

"I beg to say," Lloyd George continued, "that if partial disclosure is given again I shall without any hesitation take the responsibility of publishing the whole transaction." Others would be sent to jail with him, he said, "including two or three members of the present Government."

Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald also came in for hot words from the war-time Premier. Recalling that Mr. MacDonald absented himself from the Commons during a recent debate on unemployment, on the plea of indisposition, Lloyd George added:

"It was able to travel to Lloes-mouth and speak there on unemployment on the very night that the House was debating the question."

That bit of advice "make haste slowly" was written long before the present speed age, but it seems to apply all right.

HUNT FOR SEA GOLD MAY BE RENEWED SOON

Stockholm, Dec. 23—A 200-year effort to recover \$5,000,000 worth of gold from the wreck of a Russian warship near Finland may be revived soon.

It was learned that Count Wachmeister, of the Swedish navy, an aide-de-camp to the Crown Prince of Sweden, had completed a trip to Finland in an effort to determine the exact spot where the ship went down with its cargo of gold in 1719.

Wachmeister, it was reported, conferred at Helsingfors with the curator of the museum there and was said to be convinced that he knew the exact location of the wrecked vessel.

BOY PEEPED UNDER SANTA CLAUS' BEARD

Halifax, Dec. 22—And so they booked Santa Claus over at the police station on a charge of causing actual bodily harm.

It happened because the skepticism of one of the older pupils at Upper Tantallon School is tinged with curiosity. Santa was busy distributing toys and candy. The skeptical one, a lad of 15, thought it was a case of mistaken identity.

He reached out and, lifting the benevolent gentleman's long white beard, peeped underneath. This was unethical, Santa thought. According to police information, he smote the youth lustily upon the ear.

The lad's retaliation took the form of the charge already referred to. It indicates that during his Upper Tantallon visit Santa Claus was using the alias of "Harvey Dauphnee."

"TO GO THE PACE"

Pretoria, South Africa, Dec. 23—Native chiefs wanting "to go the pace" henceforth will not be allowed credit above \$50 without official sanction. The Government says many of them lack an adequate appreciation of financial responsibility.

Many a girl sings herself out of a prospective husband.

CANADIANS ADVISED TO HOLD THEIR APPLES

Ottawa, Dec. 22—Canadian fruit shippers are strongly urged, in a bulletin issued today by the Department of Agriculture, to withhold shipment of apples to the British market until late in January. The United Kingdom market is flooded, the report says, and the demand is reported to be the lowest in years.

The statement follows:

Information received from the Canadian fruit trade commissioner indicates that conditions on United Kingdom apple markets are not favorable at present, the demand is reported as the lowest for years and there is no sale except for barrelled stock of the highest quality. There is a general over-supply of both boxed and barrelled apples on all markets. At Cardiff accumulated supplies of Virginia stock, together with an over-supply of Scotians, has stagnated the market and a large proportion of shipments were held unsold.

Hull is reported to be heavily supplied and boxes are selling very slowly. Quotations received have verified these statements and with the exception of a few varieties, prices are maintaining very low levels, particularly for barrelled stock. In view of the heavy supplies on hand and the poor demand the barrel situation is not expected to improve until late January and it is strongly advised that shipments be held until that time.

MAY ARREST MEMBERS WHO ARE ABSENT

Washington, Dec. 22—The Democratic leadership of the United States House of Representatives has decided to order the arrest of members absent from next Tuesday's session in the event that a quorum is not present upon reconvening after the Christmas holidays.

Because of the failure of the House to establish a quorum today, which is half its membership, Speaker John Nance Garner and Representative Henry Rainey of Illinois, the Democratic leader, tonight determined upon the move to compel attendance.

Kenneth Romney, sergeant-at-arms, was directed to serve warrants on all absentee members, in the event that half of the members were not present at 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday.

Died This Morning

The death occurred at an early hour this morning of Mrs. Annie R. Rogers, aged eighty-six at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dell Munro, 375 St. John Street. The deceased, an invalid for the past fourteen years, had suffered from a lingering illness. She was a very well known lady and her death is mourned by a large circle of friends and admirers. She is survived by two sons, James E. Rogers, manager of the Staples Electrical store in this city, and Earl Irvine Rogers, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Montreal; three daughters, Mrs. Dell Munro, Mrs. Arthur Swan, and Mrs. Charles Elgee, all of this city. She is also survived by ten grandchildren. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon from the late home at 3.30 o'clock. Rev. J. W. Bartlett will conduct the services and interment will be made in the rural cemetery.

MAGNIFICENT 'KREUGER FOLLY' NOW FOR SALE

Palace in Paris, Most Costly Site is Without Tenant

HAS JUST BEEN COMPLETED
The Great Buildings French National Property

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

Paris, France, Dec. 23—The "Kreuger Folly" is for sale. An \$80,000,000 franc general European headquarters which workmen have just finished in Paris and which was destined to become Ivor Kreuger's own home and the central offices of his \$800,000,000 enterprises.

For his headquarters, Kreuger chose the most costly piece of ground in France, one corner of the famed Place Vendome where the morning sun cast a long shadow of Napoleon over the Kreuger doorway from the great bronze pillar atop which rests the Roman Napoleon in toga and laurel leaves.

This famed spot and the two great buildings which close it in from four sides, are French national property and the government forbids tampering with the exterior of the buildings, classed as national monuments. Kreuger, however, had expensive ideas of what his central offices should look like. It cost him a fortune to respect the law and yet to meet his own tastes.

To meet the government's requirements, he left the street wall standing and tore out the old buildings from behind, then built on a palace behind the old gray stones. The beauty of the 17th Century architectural gem is unbroken.

Hard Bargainers Lose

There were several tenants in the old buildings who had long leases and refused to move. One, in particular, asked 12,000,000 francs (half a million dollars) damages to give up the site for the three years remaining under the lease. The price was excessive so Kreuger refused.

He built his building around the storeroom of the recalcitrant tenant at an extra cost of 1,000,000 francs. Anxious to get his flat for himself, Kreuger then started negotiations. At a cost of 8,000,000 francs he bought up the tenant's lease but immediately sold the tenant 8,000,000 francs of stock in Kreuger and Toll interests, which is worth little today.

Now the great palace is completed but empty. There is no longer any need of a general office building and its construction was so luxurious that few tenants care to rent it. The building cost 80,000,000 francs to build but could be had today for less than half that.

Funeral Today

The funeral of the late George Foss who passed away suddenly at his home in Devon Tuesday night was held this afternoon. Prayers were offered at the late home at 2.10 and a service was held in the United Baptist Church at 2.30 o'clock. Rev. D. C. Kaine conducted the services. The mourners were Rainford: Foss, Elmer Foss, John Foss, Myshrahl Foss, Daniel Boyd, Albert Estabrooks, Lyman Till George Yeomans, Garnet Campbell, Maynard Yeomans, Henry Staples, George Staples, Charles Bird, Wallace Bird, Andrew Watters, Albert Watters, Lester Foss, Ernest Foss, James Barnes. The pall bearers were Rainford Foss, Elmer Foss, John Foss, Myshrahl Foss, Henry Staples, and Charles Bird. Interment was made at Sunnybank cemetery.

"Japanese Yen at New Low"—headline. What price Manchuria?

Plan to Colonize Land in Florida With Jobless Men

Foreigners Unable to Earn a Living in United States To Be Placed on a Tract of Land Owned by Circus Man — Treasury Plan is Aimed at Canadians.

(Special to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—A plan to colonize 33,000 acres of farm land owned by John Ringling in Harasota county, Florida, with foreigners finding it difficult to make a living in this country, was announced today at the circus man's office. It was proposed to colonize the tract with Slavs, Italians, Hungarians, Germans and other Europeans.

To Debar Aliens

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23—Comptroller-General McCarl today approved the Treasury plan to prohibit employment of alien labor on federal building construction within 154.7 miles of the Canadian border.

QUAKE UPSETS MAYOR OF RENO AND HIS BEER

Reno, Nevada, Dec. 23 — Despite Mayor Ed E. Roberts's objection to paying more than five cents for a glass of beer, the earthquake which shook this vicinity last night caused the mayor to spend 25 cents for a bottle of brew.

These quakes are a darned nuisance", he stormed. "I was drinking a bottle of beer at home when the quake knocked the bottle over on the dining table."

"It only cost me a nickel to make the bottle of beer, but it'll cost 20 cents to launder the table cloth. I guess it would be as cheap to pay a quarter for a bottle of beer at a bar."

The mayor has been urging Reno bars to sell beer for five cents a glass. They now charge 25 cents a bottle.

Will Reside Here

George E. Stopford who has been a citizen of Saint John for some time has arrived here to join Mrs. Stopford and they are the guests of their son-in-law Dr. John Stephens of the U. N. B. Mr. Stopford, who resided here some years ago and is well known to many people plans to make his permanent home here. He is the son of an English army officer and was born in India during the progress of the Indian Mutiny. His father was killed in action and the mother and baby succeeded in making their escape from the country. Mr. Stopford along with J. S. Armstrong E.E. of this city was employed on the engineering staff of the Chignecto Marine Railway forty years ago. Since that he has been engaged in construction work in various parts of Canada.

Still Negotiating

Capital hockey executives are sure at least two of the north shore players they have been angling for, namely Clint Gammon, and Al Taylor. Both will be here tomorrow and will practice with the team. The executive are still negotiating for "Kick" McCann, and "Red" Cook. McCann who has a good position at Dalhousie is loath to jump too quickly, though arrangements have been made for his shift to this city. Cook on the other hands will not be able to be here until December 28. The team will practice at the Arctic Rink tonight.

Disillusion is recreation if that is what the agitator needs it is

HARPELL CASE AT MONTREAL NEARING CLOSE

T. B. Macaulay, President of the Sun Life and the Accused Give Testimony.

Montreal, Dec. 22—Both Thomas B. Macaulay, complainant, and James J. Harpell, defendant, gave evidence today as the trial of Harpell for criminal libel against Macaulay entered its final stages. Each precipitated lengthy arguments between opposing counsel over the admissibility of evidence.

Mr. Harpell created a mild sensation when he protested about the handicap he and his lawyers were laboring under in not being able to get what they considered important evidence before the jury. "We have lots of evidence but we can't get it in," he said.

The Sun Life president volunteered full details about the loan of \$9,375,000 his company was credited with making to Insull Utilities Investments Inc. in 1929. It was not really a loan, he said, as no money had changed hands. The Sun Life had 25,000 shares of stock in the Commonwealth Edison Company which Samuel Insull offered to buy at \$375 a share. This represented a profit of more than \$6,000,000 to the company and, as Insull was unable to pay at the time, he was given the shares on the security of his note and other collateral. Later the purchase price was paid in full.

At one stage of Harpell's evidence he asked Chief Justice R. A. E. Green-shields for a "word." Then he startled the courtroom with the declaration "Mr. Macaulay was a crook 25 years ago and he is a bigger crook today."

The prosecution is based on statements published in Harpell's magazine, The Journal of Commerce, and in his book, Industry, Commerce and Finance.

CHIMPANZEE IS JUST A CRYBABY

Milwaukee, Dec. 23—Sensitive is "Mary Lou," only chimpanzee in the Washington Park Zoo.

"Her sensitiveness," said Edmund Heller, director, "is almost pathetic. If you speak gruffly to her or even 'look daggers' at her she will break down and cry because she doesn't hate."