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Nickel Purchases By Germany Being Debated at Ottawa

View Taken In Some Quarters That the Quantity Sought Would Permit A Big Arms Program; Do Not Regard Visit of German Agent as a War Alarm.

OTTAWA, Oct. 27—How far will a few thousand tons of nickel—say from 3,500 to 5,000—go in setting a nation up in armaments in a big way?

Official circles here are debating the question informally as the result of a visit earlier in the week of an agent of German interests, declaredly industrial, to Canada to purchase 10,000 tons of nickel matte. According to technical experts here this means 3,500 to 5,000 tons of pure nickel, depending upon the grade of ore which has gone in to the matte.

While the purchase is regarded as distinctly interesting, and there are two views respecting it, official circles generally are not inclined to interpret it as being in the nature of an alarm of war. Nickel alloys for armament purchases run from two to six per cent, and while they admit that the quantity of the metal which Germany is purchasing would permit an extensive armament program, they doubt whether it could be described as being upon a war scale.

They further incline to the view that if the nickel was wanted for any such purpose, it would not have been so openly purchased.

Business Conditions Are Improving in the Dominion

No Less Than 17,890 People Added to the Payrolls During Month of September.

Ottawa, Oct. 26—Reflecting brighter business conditions, Oct. 1 saw 17,890 more Canadians absorbed into industry than Sept. 1 the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports. It was the sixth consecutive month to record increased employment.

In a monthly survey of employment conditions, the bureau of Statistics received reports from 8,240 employers of labor. These showed that 834,348 men and women were on payrolls, compared with 816,458 on Sept. 1. The increase is the largest reported at Oct. 1 since employment records first were gathered in 1921.

The bureau estimates that 134,000 persons have been added to the payrolls of the reporting firms since April 1 an average of 16 for each establishment during the six months.

Against Usual Decline

Activity has frequently declined between September and October in the 12 years of the record, the bureau's report continues, the change on the average being a fractional reduction. The gain this year is therefore unusually interesting, particularly so "because it is the largest advance reported on October 1 since the record was commenced in 1921," states the bureau. The index (based upon the average for the calendar year 1926 as 100), stood at 90.4 on Oct. 1 of this year, compared with 88.5 on Sept. 1 last and 86.7 on Oct. 1, 1932.

HOOVER GOES FISHING

San Diego, California, October 27—Ex-President Herbert Hoover and a party of friends have embarked on a yacht for Lower California on a fishing trip. They will try for sword fish.

WINTER SETS IN ALONG THE U. S. SEABOARD

Mercury Eight Degrees Below Zero in the Adirondack Region.

New York, Oct. 26—Winter staged a rehearsal along the New England seaboard today, sending temperatures in many localities down to record October lows. Unsettled weather prevailed in the middlewest and southern United States.

In the Adirondacks, temperatures of eight above zero were recorded following a 24-hour snow. It was the coldest day in 10 years. Freezing weather prevailed over upper New York State. Highways near Owl's Head were clogged with three-foot snow drifts.

In Massachusetts and other New England states the temperatures mounted into the upper 30's during the day. The New York Weather Bureau reported the biting winds which struck the northeastern states 36 hours ago were raging 500 miles out at sea.

RUMORED FRANCE MAY DOMINATE THE BALKANS

Athens, Greece, October 27—Fears here that France, by enlisting Bulgaria in the Little Entente (Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Rumania) may be able to dominate completely the Balkans reached a point Thursday where they were openly expressed in the official organ of the Greek foreign office.

Referring to the Bulgarian tendency at rapprochement with France, the paper says: "The unhappiest memories of the Balkans for a century arise from the struggles for influence among the two Christian empires."

A GOLD RUSH REPORTED ON IN CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles, Oct. 27—A gold rush in this state almost equalling that of '49, has been the result of the Roosevelt Program. Southern California is swarming with men and women out for the yellow metal. Soft handed office workers and old time miners are included in the list. A number of mines, long abandoned, have been reopened. Pumps and other mine equipment is selling fast.

REPAIRING STORM DAMAGE ON THE N. B. HIGHWAYS

Traffic Operating Over Routes No. 9 and No. 10 Detour Between Saint John and Norton.

Repairs are being made to all highways damaged as a result of this week's storm which swept New Brunswick and today Highways No. 9 and No. 10, the most seriously affected on the main trunk highway system in the province are open to traffic.

Announcement was made this morning by A. W. Barbour, Deputy Minister of Public Works, that the water, which had covered section of No. 9 Highway between Fredericton and Sussex, had receded and motor traffic was now operating on that highway.

There are still two detours necessary on No. 2 Highway between St. John and Norton and according to Mr. Barbour, it will be a day or two before the repairs to this section of the highway are completed.

A temporary bridge at Big Aldouane in Kent County, was washed out during the storm and a detour is required at this point on No. 11 highway, three miles north of Richibucto.

DIED THIS MORNING

The death occurred here this morning of Leah J. Stevenson, at the age of 63, after an illness of one month. Deceased was the wife of Robert Stevenson, retired ice dealer. She was the daughter of James Ashfield of Devon, and leaves to mourn her husband, Robert S. Stevenson; three sons, Eugene E. of Edmundston; Ernest O. and Donald R. of this city; one daughter, Mrs. Mrs. Charles Underwood, of Presque Isle, Me.; two sisters, Mrs. Allen Thomas of Tay Creek; Mrs. Wesley R. Taft, of this city; two brothers, Murray and Allen of North Tay. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon with service from the late home 57 Saunders Street at 2.30 o'clock. Rev. George Telford will conduct and interment will be made in the rural cemetery extension.

REWARD RUMORED

The Mounted Police reported no progress in the search for Lyle Bonnard in the Tracyville woods at present time this afternoon. A crowd of almost two hundred persons are engaged in the search today. About fifty, left here at dawn by cars for the scene. It was rumored about today that a reward of \$100 is offered for the person finding the missing man, dead or alive.

Mr. D. K. March of Montreal is visiting friends in the city today.

U. S. FARMERS WILL GET LOAN ON THEIR CORN

Federal Aid on Stored Crop To Go to Five States

50 CENTS A BUSHEL

Corn Hog Production For 1934 Likely To Be Reduced

Washington, Oct. 27—The Agricultural Adjustment Administration replied today to demands of corn belt farmers with by George N. Peek, chief administrator, that the Commodity Credit Corporation would lend 50 cents a bushel on corn in the States having farm warehouse acts. This basis will be for No. 2 December corn at Chicago.

Farmers are required as a condition to accept the administration's corn-hog production control program for 1934, involving a 20 per cent cut in litters farrowed and marketed.

In return for these reductions, rental payments of 30 cents a bushel will be made on the estimated yield of acreage taken out of cultivation, and \$5 a hundred-weight for the reduced output of swine. The loans announced today would "be in the nature of an advance" to farmers joining the reduction program, Mr. Peek said.

JUDGMENT WAS RESERVED IN LOCAL SUIT

The collision case in which Wilfred H. Sullivan, local man is suing for damages of \$4,970.25 from Vernon Rogers, driver and owner of a truck, was completed yesterday with the case reserved for judgment in chambers on a matter relating to answers to questions which the court had given the jury.

Yesterday the jury in the civil action assessed Sullivan's total damage claim at \$1,500.25. The man had suffered a fractured leg and two broken fingers in the accident which occurred on May 31, 1932. The jury deliberated two hours and forty-three minutes before bringing in a verdict.

One-third of the blame for the accident was attached to the plaintiff, the remaining two-thirds being attributed to the defendant. C. L. Dougherty and R. B. Hanson, K.C., M.P. were counsel for the defendant. Mr. Dougherty submitted that a verdict for the plaintiff would be inconsistent.

The date for the hearing was set for November 6 at 11 o'clock. Pending the outcome of this, Mr. Justice Richards who is presiding at this adjourned session of the September term of the King's Bench for York county, did not enter a verdict. Court was adjourned yesterday until ten o'clock on the morning of November 9.

Several cases remain on the September docket, all civil non-jury actions. One is the suit of MacDougall and Cowans Holdings, Ltd. which company took over the assets of the bankrupt firm of MacDougall Cowans vs. C. F. Tilley, Saint John, formerly of Fredericton. The plaintiff company claims the sum of \$58,142.27. The case will be argued on Monday, November 27. Timms, Bennie Wiggins vs. William Illingworth; Eliza Devere Belyea vs. Fred W. West; Maritime Electric Co. Ltd., vs. General Dairies, Ltd.; and Maritime Electric Co. Ltd., vs. Fredericton Dairies, Ltd.

QUEBEC BY-ELECTIONS

Quebec, October 26—Premier Taschereau announced yesterday that provincial by elections in the counties of Wolfe and Nicolet would be held on November 14th. The Legislature will meet in January.

U. S. Government Likely to Boost Tax on Liquor

Little Chance of the Ardent Selling Below the Price in Canada—The Excise Tax on Whisky May Be Doubled.

WASHINGTON, D.C. Oct. 26--It appears at this moment that Canadians who want a drink after the repeal of prohibition in the United States, now set for December 5, will find their own liquor cheaper south of the border than in the Dominion.

In fact, they may be able to find good Scotch selling for less in the United States than they must pay for their own rye at home.

Thus may be reversed the trend of the last 13 years, during which United States residents flocked to Canada to do their drinking, and the tide of would-be merry-makers may flow in the opposite direction.

But such a reversal promises to be short-lived, if it ever is allowed to exit. All the talk in Washington points to at least a 100 per cent increase in the excise tax, now \$1.10 a United States gallon, even if the import duty of \$5.00 is allowed to stand unchanged.

It must be emphasized, furthermore, that everything written about the United States liquor course beyond the mere fact that repeal seems assured, must be placed on an "if and when" basis.

Premier Albert Sarraut Has Formed a New Ministry

Former Premier Daladier Accepts Post of Minister of War—Financial Restoration Is Pledged.

Paris, Oct. 27—Premier Albert Sarraut early today announced formation of a new ministry for France which varied little from the cabinet of former Premier Daladier.

With himself as premier and minister of marine, he chose former Premier Daladier as minister of war, and Joseph Paul-Boncour to succeed himself as minister of foreign affairs.

Georges Bonnet was also chosen to hold his former position as minister of finance. The other ministries were announced as follows:

Vice-premier and minister of justice—Albert Dalimier, former minister of colonies.

Minister of the interior—Camille Chautemps (same post).

Minister of agriculture—Henri Queuille (same post).

Minister of commerce—M. Laurent Eynac.

Minister of posts and telegraphs—Jean Mistler.

Minister of public works—Joseph Paganon (same post).

Minister of labor—Eugene Frot (same post).

Minister of education—Francis Pietri.

Minister of air—Pierre Cot (same post).

Minister of merchant marine—Jacques Stern.

Minister of Pensions—Hippolyte Ducos.

Minister of health—Philippe Marcombes.

Financial Policy

Pledged to continue a policy of financial restoration, Premier Sarraut worked ceaselessly since his designation as premier by the president to

SCOTLAND YARD TAKES NO STOCK IN SCARE STORY

Discredits Report of An Attempt on Life of the Viceroy's Son.

London, Oct. 26—The powers-that-be at Scotland Yard tonight splashed cold water on the sinister picture of a vengeful Indian, with murder in his heart and a vicious 18-inch knife in his hand crouching on the roof of the home of Viscount Ratendone, with designs on the life of the son of the Viceroy of India.

After the most exhaustive investigation, the C.I.D. let it be known they were satisfied that no Indian, nor indeed any colored man, was involved in the alarm that shook staid Victoria Square in the early hours of today.

But the furore that started with the announcement of Dorothy Flattau, novelist neighbor of the Viceroy's son, that she had challenged such a person and in turn had been threatened by him before he fled, actually resulted in discovery of a knife such as she described, along with a long file, on the Viscount's roof, and muddy fingerprints on the window of the bathroom.

Residents of Victoria Square were satisfied that the intruder was an Indian seeking revenge for some fancied wrong or other.

C. B. Andrews, of Saint John, district passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, is a visitor to the city today.

form a cabinet replacing that of M. Daladier, which fell Monday.

George Bonnet, in accepting again the financial portfolio, stressed the "imperious necessity of financial restoration" and added that "M. Sarraut is in full accord with me."