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Russians Deny That An Alliance May be Made With Chinese

Described as Only Japanese Propaganda in Russian Circles at Geneva—Eugene Chen, Who Started the Rumor Has No Official Capacity in China.

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

GENEVA, Feb. 10—Hints of a Sino-Soviet military alliance were termed "Japanese propaganda without the slightest foundation" in Russian circles here today.

Dr. W. W. Yen, member of the Chinese delegation here who has been named Ambassador to Moscow, said that Eugene Chen had no official capacity. Chen's friends admitted he had been living in Paris incognito and that as an opponent of the present Chinese govt. he is ardently anti-Japanese and pro-Soviet. It was doubted that Chen would have made any such proposal as alliance, however. Chen sailed from Italy for China a month ago, according to his friends.

NO WORD YET OF FINGERPRINTS IN MURDER CASE

Inquest in the Amherst Murder Case to Start on Saturday—Suspects Held in Jail.

Amherst, N.S., Feb. 9—The R.C.M.P. today added more fingerprints to their rapidly increasing list, included in prints being those of Chief of Police Wetherbee, Deputy Chief Earl England, E. E. Smith, his son Wilson, and several others who had been around the Smith home here immediately after the brutal murder of Mrs. E. E. Smith had been discovered early Saturday morning.

In this way the police expect to avoid confusion which might arise if fingerprints additional to the blood-smeared marks which showed plainly where the murderer had groped around the victim's room are discovered.

Although snowdrifts diminished overnight, the police failed to locate the bludgeon which they think rendered Mrs. Smith unconscious before a keen knife thrust ended her life. The \$128 taken from her bedroom has not been found.

No Word Yet

While the local police and R.C.M.P. are expecting some word in regard to the fingerprints forwarded to Ottawa earlier in the week, no report was heard today.

This morning chief Wetherbee issued a number of summons in connection with the inquest which will be held here Saturday morning by Dr. J. R. Robertson, coroner. Among those who will appear on the witness stand are Chief Wetherbee, Deputy Chief Earl England, Patrolman Lorne Goodwin, R.C.M.P. Corporal Rockwell, Dr. J. W. Sutherland, E. E. Smith, Wilson Smith, Alex. Gallant, Herbert Gallant and Mrs. Alfred Feltham.

Although the offering of a reward has been suggested, it is not expected that any such action will be taken to ward this until word from Ottawa regarding the fingerprints of Daniel Turner, alias Cyril Spracklin and Harry Capner, held in the county jail here as suspects, is received.

HAVE CONFESSED

Arana, Va., Feb. 10—Harvey and Bryan, the youths arrested yesterday for an attempt to extort money from Col. Charles Lindbergh, have made a confession to the police.

TO CREATE NEW SCHOLARSHIP AT MOUNT ALLISON

Sackville, Feb. 9—A movement has been begun by the Federated Council of the Alumni and Alumae Societies of Mount Allison to mark the completion of 50 years of teaching with Professor Sidney W. Hunton will have completed at Mount Allison this spring.

The need of scholarships has been felt greatly at Mount Allison so it has been decided to create one of \$10,000 to be called the Sidney W. Hunton scholarship, and in the spring, in the name of Mr. Hunton, this sum will be presented to the university.

Interest has been aroused in the societies in every part of the world. Just recently a group in Japan wrote signifying its desire to participate. Other societies are busy making plans. The actual presentation ceremony will be an interesting affair. At convocation, Mrs. W. D. Herridge, wife of the Canadian Minister at Washington, will make the presentation. Outstanding students, yet to be chosen, will deliver addresses.

OLD BILL THE NAVY MASCOT, HAS A SON

Annapolis, Md., Feb. 10—Let joy be unrestrained throughout the Navy. Old Bill, the service academy's mascot has a son at last. No advent of a royal heir was ever hailed more joyously than was the birth of Old Bill's son at the academy.

Old Bill, pedigreed Angora, is the fourth in a direct line of male succession and he is getting on in years. Old Bill has been mated to many a full-blooded Angora—and all his progeny were daughters.

At last in desperation, academy officials mated him to a plain barnyard nanny goat boasting no proud ancestors, no pedigrees. Friday she gave birth to two sons and a daughter.

The best of the males will carry on the Navy's tradition as Old Bill the fifth.

Barret, Tex., Feb. 9—An expedition to explore the source of the Amazon River and which is to leave the United States soon, will have as one of its members Dr. Frank E. Nicholson, explorer.

POLICY OF NEW POLITICAL PARTY IS ASSAILED

Conservatives and Liberals in Parliament join in attack on C. C. F.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 9—Liberals and Conservatives united today in a general assault against Canada's newest political party, the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation and its leader, J. S. Woodsworth.

"The dogs of war have been let loose. How can we stand back any longer?" demanded Hon. W. R. Motherwell, former member of a Liberal Government. The reply came from Conservatives as well as Liberals—a general denunciation of Federation policies.

For the entire day, a Liberal, then a Conservative, would ridicule the Federation's platform, calling it nebular, disjointed, visionary "a jump in the dark", "unadulterated socialism" and an attempt to set class against class.

While members of the two old parties tore his platform plank from plank, J. S. Woodsworth, the slender, bearded leader of the Federation, lolled back in his seat. Once or twice, stung by sharp personal barbs, he demanded retractions, but as far as his policies were concerned, he considered them fair game.

The only defence of the Federation was presented by Humphrey Mitchell, Labor member for Hamilton East. "There is as much difference between the Labor movement and the tactics of the Third International (Communism) as between Capitalism and Communism," he said.

The debate took place on a motion moved several days ago by Federation members calling for establishment of a Co-operative Commonwealth "in which all natural resources and the socially necessary machinery of production will be used in the interests of the people and not for the benefit of the few."

Debate was not concluded and it is expected both Prime Minister R. B. Bennett and Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, leaders of the Conservative and Liberal parties, will speak before the division.

THREE BANDITS MADE BIG HAUL

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 9—More than \$325,000 in currency and Bank of America bonds were stolen by three bandits in a daring holdup at the main post office at Seventh and "K" Street here tonight.

The bandits surprised and disarmed a truck driver and an armed guard on the loading platform, in the rear of the post office building, grabbed a double-lacked sack of outgoing registered mail and vanished in the downtown traffic.

BEAR GOT FROZEN

Rockland, Me., Feb. 10—While skating on Jefferson Pond, Mrs. H. E. Porter's attention was attracted to a dark object muddled in the middle of the pond. Investigating, she discovered it was a black bear, which had become frozen in the slushy ice. A game warden freed the prisoner and it scampered away.

SCIENCE SEEKS ABSOLUTE ZERO IN EXPERIMENTS

California Expert Now Believes the Goal Is In Sight

WILL FREEZE ATOM
Helium Now Liquifies at 1,500 Degrees Below Zero

(By Leicester Wagner U. P. Staff Correspondent.)

Pasadena, Cal., Feb. 10—Absolute Zero, the point at which all matter ceases to move, has been the goal of physicists for centuries.

Yet in the new cryogenic laboratory at the California Institute of Technology here, scientists hope within the next few months to approach within a fraction of a degree of this rigid point, 459.4 degrees Fahrenheit below zero.

Physicists hope, by "freezing" the atom, to be able to determine what makes it "tick."

Temperature "Card"

Tech's new laboratory is under the direction of Dr. Alexander Goetz, a wizard at low temperature problems.

The steps taken in developing low temperatures are successively compression and evaporation. Elementary physics tells us evaporation lowers temperatures. Air is liquified by compression and evaporated, at the same time that hydrogen is subjected to the increasing cold. With the hydrogen liquified, it, too, is evaporated, and helium is liquified by the succeeding evaporation of the hydrogen.

Helium Evaporated

When the helium is evaporated, after having been subjected to an enormous pressure, the resulting temperature should closely approximate absolute zero.

Helium, which during the war cost \$1,500 a cubic foot, but now can be obtained for approximately a cent a cubic foot, liquifies at -452 degrees below zero, and evaporating drops another four degrees in temperature.

Through improved methods of evaporation, Dr. Goetz hopes to reach about -458.4 degrees below.

SAYS HANDS OF C.N.R. HAVE BEEN TIED TEN YEARS

Ottawa, Feb. 9—Parliament will remain supreme over the Canadian National Railways if the Senate Railway Committee adopts a motion of which Senator Lynch-Staunton, Hamilton, Ont., gave notice today.

"Parliament has no right to hand over this two and a half billion dollar enterprise to anybody," Senator Lynch-Staunton said. If his motion carried, a clause would be inserted in the bill supplementing the Duff Royal Commission recommendations stipulating the proposed board of trustees, who will manage the Canadian National would have no vested rights. Parliament then would be able to alter or amend the legislation appointing the trustees, retaining its supremacy.

The committee adjourned today until Wednesday when the chairman, Senator George P. Graham, expects the bill will be passed in its final form.

Criticising the record of the Canadian National management for the past 10 years, Senator Lynch-Staunton said the "hands of the Canadian National had been tied for 10 years—and had failed."

"Revelations far more scandalous than Beaucharnois," the Hamilton Senator said, had not caused a public outcry and there had been no complaint against the Canadian National because it had "too much patronage."

We're all fed up with that word "depression". Why not call it "the predicament" or something, just for a change?

2 French Airmen Are Now After the Non-Stop Record

Set Out From Marseilles This Morning on a 6,200-Mile Flight to Buenos Aires—Are Confident They Can Beat the Record Now Held by Great Britain.

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

ISTRES AIRPORT, Marseilles, France, Feb. 10—Two veteran French airmen, Lucien Boussoutrot and Maurice Rossi, left here today on a projected non-stop flight of 6,200 miles to Buenos Aires, which, if successful, will win the world's long distance flight record.

The fliers left the French air base here at 7.49 a.m. The record the Frenchmen sought to break was won only two days ago by Great Britain from the United States when Squadron Leader Gayford and Flight Lieut. Nicholletts flew 5,340 miles from England toward Capetown.

"I am confident I can beat Gayford's record," Boussoutrot said. "Reports indicate that the weather is good at least to mid-Atlantic."

The French Air Ministry had re-established a prize of \$40,000 for fliers winning the distance record for France.

HOUSE WILL DISCUSS THE SOVIET BARTER

Ottawa, Feb. 9—Reports of a \$4,000,000 exchange of Canadian steel rails for Russian oil reached the House of Commons today. Samuel Factor (Lib., Toronto-West Centre), asked if the Government had been asked to sanction the barter. Hon. Hugh Guthrie, who was leading the Government in the absence of Hon. R. B. Bennett said he had not heard of it, but would make enquiries.

The House will set aside a day, possibly next Tuesday, to discuss the proposed barter of \$8,000,000 worth of Canadian cattle and hides for Russian oil and coal, it was intimated today. John Vallance, (Lib., So. Battleford) will move tomorrow for a copy of every letter and memorandum in the Government's possession relating to the barter scheme. It is understood that the Government will pass the motion and expediate presentation of the letters so the Opposition may have them in time for next week's debate.

The Toronto Liberal did not elaborate on the steel rail barter, but indicated the industry itself would make a request to the Government. It probably would be on the same general lines as the exchange of Russian oil for Canadian aluminum which took place last summer.

12 PERSONS CLAIMED SAME LOST PURSE

sen's faith in the honesty of the average man and woman has been considerably shaken!

The certified public accounts found a purse containing \$200 in bills and several papers. He notified a newspaper and in 24 hours 12 persons claimed the purse. The rightful owner, David Katz, municipal railway track laborer, described the contents of the billfold in such detail that Sorenson said there was no doubt that he was the owner.

Several claimants were stumped on the denominations of the bills. One woman said she lost a purse containing \$205 and a driver's license. The purse Sorenson found had no driver's license.

CAPT. MOLLISON NEGOTIATES THE SOUTH ATLANTIC

Intrepid Scotch Aviator Brought His Plane Down Yesterday at Natal, Brazil.

Natal, Brazil, Feb. 9—Captain J. A. Mollison scored another signal victory over fatigue, mileage and time today when he brought his little plane down here in time for supper after a 1,750-mile hop across the South Atlantic Ocean which was the last lap of his 4,800 mile journey from England.

The popular British aviator concluded this, his latest great flight, in good health and high spirits.

"She's a sweet little ship," he said with a caressing glance at The Heart's Content, just after it had finished the trans-Atlantic flight from Thies, Senegal, on the west coast of Africa in roughly 81 hours. His total elapsed time from Lympe Aerodrome, England, which he left Monday morning, was three days and ten hours.

Modest Airman

His habitual aversion to praise was evidenced again today when he told distinguished members of the reception committee of his flight. Much praise was given his plane, while of his trip he only said, "That was easier than the North Atlantic, but I had good weather most of the way."

The flight was his first big venture since he crossed the North Atlantic from Ireland to New Brunswick last August in 24 hours, the first solo flight in that direction across the ocean. That flight also was made in The Heart's Content.

The 4,800-mile trip was made in four hops. From Lympe the smiling pilot flew to Barcelona, Spain. The next day he continued to Villa Cisneros, Africa, and on the same day jumped down the west coast of Africa to Thies, in Senegal, on the most westerly tip of the continent. He left Thies at 12.50 this morning and arrived here at 6.20 this evening, Greenwich time (1.20 p.m. P.S.T.).

Large Docket

The February docket of the New Brunswick Appeal court is one of the largest on record in this province. Including remanets, the docket will likely amount to over twenty cases.