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Soviet Russia and U. S. Ready to Join In Peace Movement

Norman Davis Tells the Geneva Conference That His Country Is Ready To Reduce Its Navy—M. Litvinov, the Russian Foreign Commissar, Offers a Suggestion.

GENEVA, May 29—Republican United States and Communistic Soviet Russia have joined forces in a strong effort for world peace by keeping the faltering Disarmament Conference alive.

Norman Davis, representing President Roosevelt, told the Conference that his country is willing to reduce its navy, join an international agreement for control of the traffic in arms, and consult with other powers in case of trouble.

Maxim Litvinov, Soviet Foreign Commissar, proposed that the conference be transformed into a permanent body for the preservation of peace, meeting regularly, and indicated that Russia is prepared at last to join the League of Nations.

A REDUCTION IS MADE IN THE TAX ON BEER

Finance Minister Rhodes Announces Changes in the House of Commons.

Ottawa, Ontario, May 29—The excise tax on malt used in the manufacture of beer has been reduced from 7 1/2 cents a pound to six cents. Hon. E. N. Rhodes, minister of finance, moved an amendment to the budget to this effect tonight. He stated it would result in a reduction of about 3 1/2 cents a gallon on a gallonage basis and he had been informed it would make possible the return of the five cent glass of beer. A corresponding reduction was made in the tax on malt syrup used in the manufacture of homebrews.

Previously, the minister said, there had been dual taxation on malt—the gallonage tax and the excise duty. It had been decided, in order to simplify the operations of the department, to levy only one tax and make it commensurate with the total of the two having due regard to the reduction that was being made.

The combined taxes formerly had amounted to something like 17 1/2 cents a gallon. Under the new tax this would run in the neighborhood of 14 cents. To Hon. W. D. Euler, (Liberal, Waterloo North), the minister said that since there was 40,000,000 gallons of beer consumed annually in Canada, the revenue accruing from the taxation would be quite substantial.

Mr. Euler protested that the beer tax was greater than that on wines, a circumstance which he did not think right.

In addition the tariff on imported beer was reduced and the imposts against ingredients for home brew came down. The changes will come into effect July 1.

Just Nosing Around

Racine, Wis., May 30—Caught in a vacant house, Don Mitchell, 20-year-old Negro, told police this story: "I've often admired that house and I figured I would move into it some time, but it seemed I was always too busy to look at the inside. So as I was passing by one night I said to myself: 'Here's the house, take a look around,' and I did, even if I had to crawl through the window to do it."

THE STUMPAGE RATES MAY BE INCREASED

Premier Tilley To Make An Announcement Following Meeting of the Provincial Government.

Saint John, N. B., May 30—A hint that stumpage rates in New Brunswick may be higher next season was given by Hon. L. P. D. Tilley, premier and minister of lands and mines, to lumbermen who attended the conference with English timber representatives here yesterday.

"After you have heard so much about the fine market offered by Great Britain," he said, "You will not be surprised if the stumpage rate is increased. I expect I will be able to announce the rate following the government meeting this week, so you will get it well in advance and be able to figure on it when you estimate your costs."

Another important suggestion made by Premier Tilley at both the afternoon conference and the evening banquet was that the New Brunswick Lumbermen's Association and the Board of Trade should make a vigorous effort to have the reduced bridge toll charge for transfer of export shipments from the east to the west side of Saint John harbor, apply to all shipments regardless of distance of origin.

WOULD OUST WOMEN OUT OF WORKING CLASS

Brussels, May 30—Under a drastic bill which has been laid before the Senate, Belgian factories, shops and offices would be prohibited from employing women.

The measure, which is sponsored by three Christian Democrats, Fr. G. Rutten, Paul Segers and Cyrille Van Overbergh, would deprive 400,000 women of their positions, it is estimated.

The only ones who would be exempt would be agricultural and home workers, servants, private secretaries to professional men and women in posts of high responsibility.

California kidnappers will hereafter get their sunshine from violet ray machines.

PROGRESS MADE WITH CENTRAL BANK BILL

The Price of Shares Has Been Reduced From \$100 to \$50—Recapture Clause Rejected.

Ottawa, Ont., May 29—Shares of the proposed Canadian central bank would appreciate to one and a half times their pay value within two months after issue, Hon. Ian MacKenzie (Liberal, Vancouver Central) declared before the banking and commerce committee this afternoon. He unsuccessfully advanced an amendment that would empower the minister of finance to buy back shares held by the public at any time, at the issue price. The amendment was defeated by a vote of 11 to 7.

Hon. E. N. Rhodes, minister of finance, was not impressed by Mr. MacKenzie's argument. He believed there would be no such appreciation in market value of the shares, in view of the fact that the interest payable would be fixed at a maximum of either five or six per cent. In any event, it would always be within the power of Parliament to recall the shares if it so desired.

Reduced From \$100

The committee adopted a motion by J. L. Bowman (Conservative, Dauphin), which would fix the minimum denomination of shares at \$50 instead of \$100, thus giving the smallest investor an opportunity of becoming a shareholder. Another accepted amendment, moved by G. G. Coote, (U. F. A., MacLead), would require an act of Parliament to authorize any increase of capital stock above the \$5,000,000 provided in the bill. The original bill left this power with the government.

The new bill is still far from being through its committee stage. There are more than 40 clauses, and only about half have come under review. A few of these have been held up. A few of these have been held up, white notice of amendment has been given to some of those yet to be considered.

OWNER GOT A GLASS OF BEER FOR HIS LAND

Salisbury, Eng., May 30—Pepper Box Hill, a Wiltshire beauty spot, has been saved for the nation—but all its former owner got out of the deal was a glass of beer.

The hill, which comprises seventy acres, was owned by E. V. E. Parsons. The public subscribed \$3,200 for the land to be transferred to the National Trust.

By law, any one who buys a portion of a farm on which there are tithe arrears, becomes liable for the whole arrears. So that the National Trust would not face this liability, Parsons took the fund and paid the arrears and all transfer fees.

"That left me three and one-half pence," he told a meeting of farmers here, "so I put a half penny to it—and had a glass of beer."

A HEAT WAVE

Chicago, May 30—Portions of the middle west are in the grip of a terrific heat wave. At one point in Minnesota yesterday the mercury registered 108 degrees.

QUINTUPLETS MAY BE SENT TO CHICAGO FAIR

An Offer of \$50,000 Said To Have Been Made, It Is Reported

ARE DOING WELL

A Noteworthy Event, Says a Chicago Authority

Gorbeil, Ontario, May 30—It is reported that Mr. and Mrs. A. Oyila Dionne, the parents of the quintuplets born here on Sunday, have had an offer of \$50,000 to exhibit the children at the Century of Progress exhibition at Chicago.

Red Cross Association officials have been asked to aid Mr. and Mrs. Oyila Dionne in taking care of the five baby girls born to Mrs. Dionne on Monday. Dr. A. R. Dafoe, of Callander, the attending physician, has asked the association to provide help so that the quintuplets may have every chance of surviving.

A nurse is attending the family but Dr. Dafoe is anxious that they shall be looked after both day and night. He believes that, if proper care is provided, all the babies, the largest of which weighs only three pounds four ounces, have a good chance of surviving.

Noteworthy event

Chicago, Ill., May 30—Birth of five children at once, such as occurred Monday near Cordell, Ontario, is very rare. Medical historians said that only 30 cases have been recorded in the last 500 years.

Dr. Morris Fishbein, editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association, added that in none of the cases on record have all the children lived more than 50 minutes.

"If the five girls born to Mrs. Oliva Dionne lived longer than an hour or so," said Dr. Fishbein, "then it is truly a rare and noteworthy event."

"Most of such births occur long before the normal time, simply because of pressure and the children are unable to survive."

No ratio of quintuple births has been computed, Dr. Fishbein said, because they are so rare. Twins, the Association records showed, occur once in 80 births. Only one case is recorded in which all four quadruplets lived to adult age, he said.

There are only six cases of sextuple births on record, he continued. Medical history, he added, goes back about 500 years and covers all civilized countries.

SHAPELEY VIEWS NEBULAE AS GREAT BALLS OF STARS

London, May 30—We live in a great ball of stars and not in a watch-shaped stellar galaxy as astronomers supposed, Dr. Harlow Shapley, director of Harvard College observatory, in delivering the Darwin lecture here today, said. There is now increasing evidence that some types of stars are so distributed as to make the Milky Way galaxy nearly spherical.

Our neighbor galaxy, the great nebula in Andromeda, is also a great ball of stars. As in the Milky Way, the greatest portion of Andromeda stars fall into an elongated flattened spiral form with long diameter about four times the short diameter. When Harvard astronomers made measurements along the lesser axis with an instrument sensitive to very fine differences in light, it was found to be about five times as long as previously shown on photographs made with large telescopes.

A man may not want to be a farmer to make money; he wants to be his own boss. And he is, so long as he doesn't annex a mortgage. z

Britain will Make A Payment of Some Sort to U. S.

Negotiations Pending Between the United States Authorities and Ambassador Lindsay at Washington—Conference May Be Held To Thrash Out the Terms of a Final Settlement.

LONDON, May 30—A strong hint that Great Britain is willing to make a payment of some sort on June 15th of its war debt if it could be assured of participation by the United States in a conference to thresh out a final settlement of the whole problem was given in official circles today.

Should President Roosevelt hold that a token payment would not keep Great Britain from default then, it was believed here, the Government would not make a payment of any sort.

Negotiations are still continuing between Sir Ronald Lindsay, ambassador to Washington, and United States officials there, it was learned officially.

This led to a belief in political circles of London that a so-called "bargain" payment may depend on the summoning of a conference on the entire issue.

Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, informed the House yesterday that he hoped to make a statement on the debt question shortly.

FOREIGN NEWS AT A GLANCE

TOKIO—As Japan prepared for preliminary naval discussions at London, well informed sources indicated the empire will not demand naval parity with Britain and the United States at the 1935 naval conference, but will be content with a higher ratio.

DUBLIN—One year from today, as a result of final passage of the bill by the Dail Eireann, the Irish Free State Senate will be abolished. By then, President De Valera hoped to establish a republic.

GENEVA—Paraguay informed the League of Nations that it would cease to apply the rules of international law to Bolivia, its antagonist in the bitter Gran Chaco war.

TOKIO—Officials expressed concern at a Brazilian move which would limit Japanese immigration. No official protest was expected, although the Japanese ambassador will be instructed to deal "tactfully" with the situation.

PARIS—A serious wheat problem developed in France with the closing of the Corbeil flour mill, the nation's largest, along with numerous others—all shut down with large surplus stocks of flour.

CANNES—After public honors by four nations, the body of Brand Whitlock, American diplomat and author, was lowered into a grave today while only his widow stood by.

ROME—Italy thrilled today to the glad official tidings that Crown Princess Marie Jose will present King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Elena with a grandchild, who if a boy, may one day be king of Italy.

VIENNA—Chancellor Dollfuss' new decree empowering courtmartial to try all crimes involving explosives was answered quickly today by the bombing of five telephone booths at Graz and the explosion of bombs in the electric works at Granau. Both cities are Nazi strongholds.

TECH. CAMPS AT THE UNIVERSITY FINISH TODAY

Engineering Camp Completed Annual Summer Work Today.

Post-enaenial activities at the University of New Brunswick concluded today as the engineering students of the University completed their usual summer work. This practical phase of the course has been under the direction of Professor E. O. Turner assisted by Mr. Edward Hagerman. Problems of surveying and Hydrographics were features of the course and as a part of their course the students gauged the Keswick River. Astronomical observations, adjustment of instruments and railroad surveying were carried out. The usual number of young men, totalling eighteen, took the course being somewhat larger than the Forestry Camp, a practical course afforded Forestry students of the University which concluded a few days ago. This latter had a total enrollment of eight or nine students and they carried out the usual activities of surveying, forest mensuration and planting under the direction of Professor J. Miles Gibson, Dean of the Forest School.

The engineering students during their course performed work for the Experiment farm and for the city. Professor Turner intimated today that several of the boys had been successful in securing work, one of the young men having secured a position with the Geological Survey of Canada.

GOAT EATS UP AUTO LICENSE

Van Nuys, Cal., May 30—This letter was received by E. E. Hack, head of the San Fernando police division: "Please send me an auto driver's license. I am J. R. King, American; weight 140; color eyes blue; height 5 feet 9 inches; 924 Reseda boulevard, North Los Angeles. My goat ate up my other license.

"P. S. I don't drink."