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U. S. Reply in the I'm Alone Case Has Been Prepared

Document Needs Only the Approval of Secretary of State Stimson, to Become the Government's Formal Defence of Coastguard Action—Important Points Raised by Canada.

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

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12—The United States' draft reply to the Canadian protest against the sinking of the rum smuggler I'm Alone has been prepared and needs only Secretary of State Stimson's approval to become the government's formal defense of the coastguard.

Canada's Representations.

The representations on behalf of Canada were presented by Hon. Vincent Massey, the Canadian Minister.

One of the points raised is understood to be based on the contention of the schooner's master, Capt. J. T. Randall, that the pursuit did not begin, as the coast-guard reported, within one hour's sailing distance from the coast established by the treaty as the limit within which search and seizure is permitted. On another point, the Canadian Government is understood to take the position that, while the right of "hot pursuit" of a suspected vessel is recognized by international law if begun within the three-mile limit, the treaty does not sanction such pursuit if begun outside that limit.

FEAR BOYS WILL NOT BE FOUND ALIVE

Are on Board of a Naval Training Vessel Some where in the Arctic Region.

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

Copenhagen, April 11—Parents of a number of Danish youths missing for several weeks aboard the naval training vessel Kobenhaven were losing hope today that their sons would be found alive. The steamer Deucalion was dispatched from Table Bay, Africa, on a searching cruise for the Kobenhaven on Wednesday in the belief the training vessel was aground on some small anti-Arctic island. The Kobenhaven last was heard from when it sailed from a South American port several weeks ago continuing its world cruise.

Work Started

From U. N. B. Notes—The program of improvements to the college field, where the college sees all the important things like football games, track meets, pep-rallies, etc., is expected to begin in the very near future with funds provided by Carleton F. Tilley, of Fredericton, the Students' Union and the Alumni Association, to say nothing of the Forestry Association, which has spent every Saturday this term out in the bush cutting out about 30,000 feet for the new bleachers. In this program is included re-sodding the football field, erecting new goal posts, reconditioning the track, which is in fiendish condition at present, and building the new bleachers and generally changing the contour of the place so that the old frads won't know it from Soldiers' Field.

A scientist has given out a statement that there is no such thing as time. By hustling a little he got it into the early newspapers all right

PROPHECY MORE BUSINESS FOR ST. JOHN HARBOR

St. John April 12—That he was much impressed with the future possibilities of the port of Saint John, and that he expected the business through this port to grow, was the statement made by Lieutenant Colonel Thomas A. Vien, K.C., L.L.D., deputy chief commissioner of the Board of Railway commissioners, with arrival here on Thursday with Hon. H. A. McKeown, K.C., chief commissioner, on his first official visit to the Maritime Provinces. Lieutenant Colonel Vien also expressed his opinion that Canadians should do all they could to see the Canadian products went through Canadian ports.

Yesterday the commissioners were the guests of J. M. Woodman at a luncheon on the Canadian Pacific steamship Duchess of Bedford, and in the afternoon were the guests of Major-Gen. the Hon. H. H. McLean, K.C., V.D., Lieutenant-Governor, at his residence at Rothesay. Today they will make a trip of inspection of the harbor, and also will confer with a delegation from the Board of Trade in regard to the general interests of Saint John.

TELLS WHY HE BANNED FLIGHT ACROSS OCEAN

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

Paris, April 12—Laurent Eynac, French Minister of aviation, explained the reason for his recent ban on trans-oceanic flights in a speech at a dinner given by the new air Afrique society today.

"Voyages for study and expeditions on a practical order are far preferable to flights hastily undertaken with machines which do not respond to present needs," Eynac said.

Three French aviators Richard, Lacouette and Cordonnier who recently completed an air survey of Northern Africa, were guests of the society.

C.N.R. ESTIMATES ARE TABLED IN PARLIAMENT

New Hotel at Halifax to Be Completed by the Fall of the Present Year.

Ottawa, April 11—An estimate of \$9,550,645 was tabled in the House of Commons tonight by the Hon. James A. Robb, Minister of Finance, to provide during the fiscal year 1929 for the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, the West Indies service of the Canadian National Steamships and the railway operating under the Maritime Freight Rate Act. For the C. G. M. M. 696,000 is to be provided for out of this estimate to meet probable deficits and capital expenditures, and for the West Indies steamship service \$945,000.

For payments to the Canadian National, Canadian Pacific and other roads affected by the 20 per cent. reduction in freight traffic tolls brought about by the Maritime Freight Rate Act, a sum of \$3,110,000 is provided. Under the provisions of that act the eastern lines of the Canadian National government meets the deficit on the Railways and for this purpose \$4,526,645 is contained in the estimates.

Steamship Lose

The Canadian Government Merchant Marine, Ltd., now the Canadian National Steamship, Ltd., had an operating loss in 1928 of \$1,097,083, as compared with \$720,735 in the previous year, according to the annual report tabled by the Hon. Charles A. Dunning, minister of railways and canals.

For the hotel system of the company several important items have been included in the estimates. For completion of the Chateau Laurier, at Ottawa, \$1,000,000 is being asked. When completed the hotel will have 552 guests rooms.

YORK COUNTY ROADS CLOSED

The closing of roads in York county was made this morning by B. H. Kinghorn, Chief Highway engineer and indications now, are that there will be no difficulty in enforcing the strict regulations of the road until they are reopened some time during the last of the present month or the early days of May. Here have been very few violations so far throughout the province, with respect to road rules. In a few cases where such occurred, fines were imposed.

The Department of Public Works has issued calls for tenders for road contracts in various parts of the province. These will be received at the office of the Chief Highway Engineer up until five o'clock, Friday the third of May. These roads contracts take in parts of Albert county, Northumberland, Queens, St. John and Charlotte, and York County. In York County the district for road work is at Thomaston Corner, to Coburn, a distance of a little over four miles.

R. B. HANSON, K. C. ON SICK LIST

Ottawa, April 11—R. B. Hanson, Conservative member in the House of Commons for York-Sunbury, is rather seriously ill at his rooms in the Chateau Laurier with acute tonsillitis. Dr. F. W. McKinnon, physician to the Chateau, is in attendance. While there is no cause for alarm, he will be obliged to be absent from Parliament for some time.

DIVORCE STORY IS CONFIRMED BY POLA NEGRI

Will File Papers at Once in Suit Against Her Husband.

HAS NO HARD FEELINGS

Says Hubby Wants His Freedom and So Does She.

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

Paris, April 12—Pola Negri, motion picture actress confirmed reports today that she would file papers for divorce from her husband Prince Mdivani, before leaving for London to fill a picture engagement. She said she had no hard feelings against her husband.

"My husband and I are still friends" she said. "We have nothing with which to reproach each other except incompatibility of temperament. He wants his freedom, I want mine."

LEFT STRICKEN HOUSE IN THEIR NIGHTCLOTHES

The house and barn belonging to Robert Hamilton at Marysville, were completely destroyed by fire in a conflagration which occurred between eleven and twelve o'clock last night, and in which the efforts of volunteer firemen and others were entirely unavailing. Mr. Hamilton and his wife and five children were barely able to escape from the house in their night clothes before the fire swept through the wooden building like mad burning all in its path. There is no known cause for the outbreak, though it is suspected that the fire came from overheated pipes.

Neighbors of the Hamiltons could see the fire spreading before the inmates themselves and warned them of their danger in time to escape. Mr. Hamilton, the owner of the properties was able to save one cow from the barn. Furniture, farm implements, etc. were all destroyed in the wake of the blaze. Mr. Hamilton's house is situated about one quarter of a mile from the schoolhouse. The damage is estimated in the vicinity of one thousand dollars.

EIGHT HIT HOME RUNS, BUT BABE'S NAME MISSING

Tulsa, Okla., April 12—It's a rare New York Yankee ball game in which none of them to the credit of Babe Ruth's big bat. That's what happened yesterday when the Yanks bowed to the Tulsa Oilers, 12 to 9. Eight circuit drives were made, four by each club but the Babe was forced to content himself with a pair of singles.

Popular Captain

Friends hereabouts will learn with pleasure of the appointment of H. D. "Bus" Woods, University of New Brunswick junior and popular athlete to the captaincy of the track team of the college for the 1929 track meet to be held here in May and in which all the well known colleges in the Maritimes will compete. "Bus" has been very prominent in U. N. B. athletics for the past three years, and has been a member of the football team, track team, as well as a star at basketball. When necessary this tall young junior can wield a mean tennis racket, though his athletic activities are mostly in the rougher sports. His specialties on the track are high jumping and the sprints.

Leon Trotsky is not Wanted in Germany: Given Blunt Refusal

Exiled Soviet Chieftain Made Application For Permission to Reside in Berlin—The Reich's Cabinet Refused the Application After Careful Examination of all the Circumstances.

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

BERLIN, April 12—Leon Trotsky, the exiled Soviet chieftain was definitely barred from Germany today when his application for permission to reside in Berlin was refused by the Reich's cabinet.

The government was blunt and brief in its refusal. It issued a communique today which made its stand on the subject final "the cabinet discussed the question of Trotsky's entry into Germany. After a thorough examination of all the circumstances the cabinet decided not to grant Trotsky's application".

To Study Oil Industry.

Moscow, April 12—President Barinoff, of the largest Soviet oil production trust Aznaff was expecting to day to leave soon for the United States to study the oil industry there. A group of associates was to accompany him.

OWNERS OF THE I'M ALONE WANT A LARGE SUM

Toronto, April 11—It is understood, says a special despatch to the Toronto Telegram from Ottawa, that about \$250,000 will be sought as reparation by those who controlled the Canadian vessel I'm Alone and her cargo of liquor, sunk in the Gulf of Mexico by the United States coastguard.

The despatch says: "The liquor is claimed to have been the proverbial 'pre-war' stuff, to which high value attaches. It is appraised at \$150,000, while the schooner was of the fast sailing auxiliary type, and also held to be valuable.

"It is understood that, in part, the owners of the cargo are Montreal people, and, on their behalf, a leading lawyer-M. P. is acting. If the claim of Canada, that the vessel, being 200 miles at sea, was utterly beyond United States jurisdiction, is admitted by the American Government, the question of reparation will be simplified. If it is not, then the process is not so clear, because the procedure in the American courts is very involved and subject to all sorts of arresting circumstances."

HIS HOLINESS TO GET AUTO AND AIRPLANE

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

Rome, April 12—A papal airplane for use chiefly in courier service will be presented to the Pope shortly it was learned today. The plane will be the gift of a group of industrialists at Milan, where Catholics already have informed the pope of their decision to give him luxurious automobiles.

Toronto, April 11—Completion of half a century as an ordained minister is being fittingly marked today by Most Rev. Neil McNeil, archbishop of the Roman Catholic diocese of Toronto. He was born at Mamou, C. B., Nov. 1, 1851. A special mass was held at St. Michael's Cathedral this morning.

WEEKLY EGG PRODUCTION 70.8 PER CENT

Hens in New Brunswick Egg Laying Contest Are Shelling Out at a Very Smart Clip.

The 200 birds entered in the New Brunswick Egg Laying Contest which is conducted at the Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton, laid 992 eggs for the week with 1053.8 points. This is a weekly production of 70.8 per cent as compared with 69.5 per cent. for the previous week and brings the total eggs to date to 14325 with 14216.2 points.

The Barred Rocks owned A. T. Reed, Rollingdam, lead in production to date with 1006 eggs and 1067.2 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by John Woods, Bloomfield Station, are in second position with 853 eggs and 868.2 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by Wm. Sansom, Durham Bridge, are in third position with 855 eggs and 851.2 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by the Experimental Station, Fredericton, are in fourth position with 795 eggs and 806.2 points.

The Barred Rocks owned James Monahan, Elmsville, and A. T. Reed, Rollingdam, tie for the first position in points for the week. Monahan's hens laid 59 eggs with 66.4 points and Reed's hens laid 57 eggs with the same number of points.

The White Wyandottes owned by Mrs. R. H. Moxon, Lower Mauderville, follow in the next position for the week with 51 eggs and 60.9 points.

The Barred Ricks owned by John Wood, Bloomfield Station, are next in position for the week with 59 eggs and 59.3 points.

Hen No. 1 owned by A. T. Reed, Rollingdam, leads to date with 120 eggs and 138.1 points.

Hen No. 10 owned by Wm. Sansom, Durham Bridge, is in second position with 125 eggs and 136.8 points.

Our idle wonder for the day is as to whether Diogenes' tub was the type with an outboard motor.