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The Weather

Maritime—Winds becoming strong south to west, milder, with light falls of snow or sleet, chiefly tonight and Saturday.

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CLAIM THAT LETTER GIVEN OUT TO NEWSPAPERS BY HON. MR. ROBERTSON WAS GARBLED

AN INJUSTICE TO ONE OF THE ACCUSED

Letter was Written by Karl E. Berg of Edmonton and Made Mention of a Shipment of Bolshevik Funds—Defence Claims That a Phrase was Intentionally Deleted—A Sharp Exchange Between Counsel.

Winnipeg, Dec. 5.—Protesting that a letter which had been handed out to the press by Hon. G. D. Robertson, the Minister of Labor, had been garbled; that as a result a gross injustice had been done to R. B. Russell, who is being tried for alleged seditious conspiracy, J. E. Bird, counsel for the defence, got the crown lawyers to read the letter, instead of the newspaper report, at last night's session of the court.

The letter was written by Karl E. Berg of Edmonton, to Russell, and was dated June 20. The portion which it was claimed had been garbled was as follows:

"I have been asked by some of the railroad men who are here if it is possible to bring you west to address a meeting of the railroad organizations here. If you can do this, let me know. The provincial committee will stand all the expense. I have just got in a shipment of Bolshevik funds for this purpose, one of the miners' unions sent \$250 for this purpose."

The contention of the defence is that the garbling had been done by the deletion of the concluding phrase: "One of the miners' unions sent \$250 for this purpose."

A Sharp Exchange.

A statement by Mr. Bird that this prosecution had been launched by ministers of the Crown, although backed up by the Attorney General, led to a sharp exchange between Isaac Pitblado, K. C., Crown counsel, and the Vancouver lawyer, Mr. Pitblado protesting that this was unfair, uncalled

JELlicoe STARTS TODAY FOR THE EAST

Will Visit Montreal, Quebec, St. John and Halifax—His Time Will be Filled at Each Place.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—Viscount Jellicoe, after a brief visit to the capital, will start tomorrow evening on his tour of Canadian eastern ports.

After spending three days in Toronto, the first city which he goes to, he will leave on Monday evening for Montreal. He should reach Montreal on Tuesday morning, and will remain there until Wednesday evening, when he leaves for St. John.

He will spend a day in St. John, going from there to Halifax.

On his return trip he will visit Quebec. His time will be well filled at each of the cities he visits. It is expected that he will be back in Ottawa on December 16 and that he will then start on the preparation of his report for submission to the government.

The report will deal with all phases of the naval question on which the government has asked to be advised.

for and improper and indicating that he was only too anxious to get the letter and not the version of it that had appeared in the press read and handed in as an exhibit.

Yesterday's sessions were notable for statements of policy that were made by both the Crown and the defence. Emphasizing the importance of evidence which he sought to introduce, A. J. Andrews, for the Crown, said what he wanted to prove was that the intentions of the accused, Russell, and those associated with him were:

1. To stir up strife.
2. To set class against class with the object of starting a revolution.
3. To bring about in Canada a Soviet form of government by means of a general strike.

Mr. Andrews claimed that it was absolutely necessary to submit evidence concerning meetings which had been held throughout the country.

Mr. Bird on the other hand, intimated that the defence would endeavor to prove that the arrest of eight strike leaders was ordered for the purpose of breaking up the strike and not as the result of any criminal offence.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE RUMOR THAT ALLIES MAY SOON OCCUPY TWO GERMAN CITIES

Troops May Occupy Essen and Frankfurt Unless Huns Agree to Final Terms of the Peace Treaty—The Departure of Field Marshal Wilson for Paris to Consult Marshal Foch Looked Upon as a Significant Incident.

London, Dec. 5.—There was a persistent rumor in the stock exchange this morning that the supreme council of the peace conference had threatened Germany that, unless the final peace terms were agreed to, Allied troops would occupy Essen and Frankfurt. Up to this time the market has not been affected by the report.

Official announcement that Field Marshal Wilson has gone to Paris in response to "an urgent summons to consult Marshal Foch in connection with the peace treaty" is regarded by some morning newspapers as of considerable significance.

BONAR LAW SAYS ALLIES HAVE THE POWER

TO INSURE RATIFICATION OF THE TREATY

It is printed along side of the address made in Glasgow last evening by Andrew Bonar Law, in which he said he believed the Allies had the power and if necessary will exercise it to insure ratification of the Versailles treaty by Germany. It is suggested that steps to exert pressure on Germany may be imminent.

There has been enough solemn finger wagging at the Germans who have come to believe it safe to defy the Allies, says the Daily Mail, in commenting on the situation.

"A wise and merciful course would be to tell them plainly that if within a fixed time they do not comply with the Allied conditions and fulfill the treaty terms, the blockade will be renewed."

COUNCIL CONSIDERS MILITARY ACTION NECESSARY TO BRING THE HUNS TO TIME

Paris, Dec. 5.—The supreme council of the peace conference this morning considered further the note to be sent to Germany regarding the signature to the protocol of the peace treaty, but did not complete the document.

Participation by Marshal Foch in the secret meeting of the supreme council yesterday clearly indicated that the council considers military action in case Germany should commit any new infraction of the treaty terms, according to newspapers here. During the meeting, says the Echo de Paris, Premier Clemenceau and Marshal Foch stated the unexpected departure of the German delegates from Versailles and the complicated points raised by the enemy leave no doubt whatever about the necessity of taking action.

PARIS PAPERS COMMENT.

It is remarked by the Petit Parisien that Germany considers it has gone too far, and the newspaper says an unofficial note has been received from Berlin, announcing that new negotiations will leave soon for Versailles.

Herr Von Simson Chief of the Delegates sent from Germany to sign the protocol of the treaty and whose departure for Berlin last week brought about strained relations between the Allies and the Berlin Government, will probably be among those sent, it is said.

U. S. AIMS TO CONTROL WEST INDIAN TRADE

Montreal, Dec. 4.—The United States aims not merely at business control of the West Indies, but hopes to annex them politically. T. B. MacAulay, President of the Canadian West Indian Society told the members of the Board of Trade here today in the course of an address on the necessity for a commercial union between the Dominion and the West Indies. He stated that he had strong reason to believe that American interests were at work in Jamaica to influence public opinion in favor of Union with the United States. Mr. MacAulay pointed out how by exchanging products the West Indies and Canada could reproduce the ideal trading conditions to be found in the United States. This internal exchange in the United States enabled it to keep away from an adverse balance of trade such as we have in Canada and in the West Indies.

Mr. MacAulay gave in detail a description of the development work that could be undertaken in the West Indies by Canadian enterprise.

Died Last Evening

The death occurred last evening at her home in Kingsclear of Mrs. Daisy E. Barton, wife of Frank H. Barton, a returned soldier on the Fredericton post office staff. Besides her husband she is survived by her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Armstrong. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon, service being held at the late home by Rev. W. J. Wilkinson at 2.30 o'clock and at the Church of England at 3 o'clock. Interment will be made at Springhill Cemetery.

Mr. G. S. Dearborn of St. John is in the city.

BANK CLERKS OF MONTREAL WILL ORGANIZE

Montreal, Dec. 4.—About five hundred bank clerks, including both sexes, gathered in the Central Y. M. C. A. last night for the purpose of forming a Bank Clerk's Association, when addresses were heard from labor leaders on the need of organizing. It was understood that the proposal had been made at a private meeting on Sunday to link up with the American Federation of Labor, but the exact constitution of the Association was not under discussion last night, the addresses being on principles only. A large number of those present subsequently enrolled.

Returned From Sussex

Mr. E. P. Bradt, Deputy Minister of Agriculture has returned from Sussex where he was in attendance at the opening of the Dairy Show. Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, Minister of Agriculture who also was in attendance at the Dairy Show has gone to Victoria Country.

Sketch of Moncton's Early Days

The Moncton Transcript in a recent issue printed a sketch of Moncton in its early days before even the first section of the Intercolonial Railway was completed and The Bend had not been selected as railway headquarters. The material used in preparing the sketch was from the collections of Mrs. Robert Entwistle who is mother-in-law of Mr. G. N. C. Hawkins of this city. Mrs. Entwistle left Liverpool for New Brunswick in 1854.

Mr. L. R. Rennie of Moncton is at the Barker House.

THE BLUENOSE PROVINCE WILL EMBARK ON BIG CAMPAIGN FOR RETURN OF HER EXILED PEOPLE

IRISH PROBLEM IS DIFFICULT OF SOLUTION

The Cabinet Reluctant to Accept Proposal for Two Legislatures—Premier Favors One.

London, Dec. 5.—The government is in difficulties over the Irish problem, according to the Daily Mail, which says:

"The full cabinet, it is stated, is reluctant to accept the committee's proposal for two legislatures with a uniting executive body, on the ground that the plan will not satisfy either Irish or American opinion. It is said that the Premier is now trying to induce his unionist colleagues to agree to a scheme for one Irish parliament with a dominion status, accompanied by an option that any county may vote for the retention of the existing status under the imperial parliament."

The conservative wing of the coalition is sharply disturbed over the Irish issue, says the paper, the younger members favoring a very bold Irish policy, while the Irish Unionist faction continues to be unalterably opposed to Home Rule in any form.

Lord Robert Cecil and Sir Edward Carson lead the respective groups. There is much conjecture which will capture Andrew Bonar Law as head of the whole Unionist party.

"It is clear, concludes the Mail, 'that the House of Commons is ahead of the government in its desire for an Irish settlement and would agree to proposals of a broad character.'"

A Popular Official

Mr. Fred Watham a returned soldier who was lately appointed station master of the C. N. R. at Stanley Village is making good in his new position. Mr. Watham is a native of Chatham and before going overseas early in the war was located at Doaktown. He is a young man of energy, always courteous and obliging and is not afraid to put himself out to please patrons of the people's railway. Strangers visiting Stanley all have a good word for Station Master Watham.

FUEL SHORTAGE ON THE C. N. R. IS DUE TO LAXITY OF MINE OWNERS

Toronto, Dec. 5.—The Canadian National Railways head office has issued the following statement: A Canadian Press despatch emanating from St. John yesterday, concerning the confiscation of coal by the Canadian National Railways from St. John dealers in that commodity, furnishes information considerably distorted when the real facts of the case are considered. The facts are that the railway has contracts with certain Canadian mines in the east for the delivery weekly of a definite tonnage in coal. When the mines adhere to this programme of deliveries to the railway, the latter has no fuel problem, but when there is failure on the part of the operators it becomes necessary for the railway to keep the wheels turning, and in order that dealers may get coal at all to intercept sufficient quantities of privately owned coal to make up the deficiency in the deliveries to the railway. Canadian National Railways would not have any fuel shortage if the mine operators in the eastern provinces lived up to the letter and spirit of their agreement with the railways.

BECKETT WAS KNOCKED OUT

London, Dec. 4.—Georges Carpentier, the French Champion knocked out Jos. Beckett, Champion of England, tonight in a brief and decided one-sided fight for the heavyweight championship. Seventy four seconds as announced by the official timer sufficed to decide weather Carpentier or Beckett should meet Jack Dempsey, the American heavyweight for the championship of the world in June next.

From the moment the referee S. J. Angle, called time, Carpentier had the battle entirely in his own hands. Beckett never had a chance of hitting the Frenchman, who landed blows with enormous strength whenever he felt inclined.

The Prince of Wales, Peers and

WILL HOLD THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL FAIR

Will be the Central Feature of an Old Home Summer to be Held in 1924—A Halifax Newspaper Man Who Saw Service in the War is the Author of the Project—Two Days' Conference Held at Halifax.

Halifax, Dec. 5.—Halifax is to stage the first International Exposition ever held in Canada, and Nova Scotia is to embark upon an unprecedented campaign for the return of her exiled sons and daughters. The Fair is to be the central feature of an Old Home Summer, to be held in 1924. The decision to enter upon the project of which Horatio C. Crowell, a Halifax newspaper man and former officer of the 38th Royal Ottawa Battalion, is the author, was reached yesterday at the final session of a two day's conference of representatives of every element in the life of the province, when the report of a committee of the Congress, providing for the preliminary organization of both fair and old home summer was unanimously adopted.

The following named were appointed to constitute the executive:

William Duff, M. P., of Lunenburg, chairman.

D. MacGillivray, supervisor of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Halifax.

G. Fred Pearson, managing director of the Chronicle Publishing Company, Halifax.

E. C. Whitman, of A. N. Whitman & Sons, leading fish exporters, Canoe.

A. Thompson, manufacturer, North Sydney.

Rev. J. J. Tompkins, Principal St. Francis Xavier College, Antigonish.

George E. Graham, general manager Dominion Atlantic Railway, Kentville.

Lieut. Col. J. L. Ralston, C. M. G., of MacLean, Ralston, Burchell and Paton, barristers, Halifax.

Dr. Cummings, principal of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College Truro.

An immediate result of the conference closing yesterday was the speeding up of all projects now under way throughout the province aiming at improved transportation, hotel and industrial conditions.

VILLA NOT CAPTURED

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 5.—Andres Garcia, Consul General here for Mexico, received a telegram from military headquarters at Chihuahua City yesterday which said that the reported capture of Villa was not true.

Will Spoil Skating

Much to the grief of skaters the snow promises to spoil the skating on the ice of the St. John River below the railway bridge. All day yesterday skaters were active on the river and on the pond in the rear of Wilnot Park which has held skaters since Monday.

Peersesses, Members of the House of Commons, high officials of state, and many women, most of them in evening gowns, looked the fighters over critically as they squared up.

MAY BECOME MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—The Morning Journal says: A well founded report is in circulation to the effect that Sir John Douglas Hazen, who served as Minister of Marine in the Borden Government from 1911 to the formation of the Union Government, is to enter the cabinet again within the next day or two, this time probably taking the portfolio of Minister of Public Works.

MAY RUN FOR THE COMMONS

London, Dec. 4.—Lady Beaverbrook, who before her marriage to Baron Beaverbrook was Miss Drury, of Halifax, N. S., as forecasted in a recent despatch has been invited by the Unionists of Ashton-Under-Tyne to stand for the House of Commons for the seat of Sir Albert Stanley. Sir Albert is resigning his seat and it is expected will be elevated to the Peerage.

Mrs. George Bishop of Hopewell Cape, Albert County, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. N. W. Brown, Carleton Street.

MISS AITKEN RESIGNS POST IN HOSPITAL

Rutland, Vt., Dec. 4.—Miss A. Aitken, Superintendent of the Rutland Hospital, resigned today following an investigation last Wednesday into an alleged anti-American incident which occurred at the hospital recently.

Miss Aitken, who is a sister of Lord Beaverbrook, was said to have supported Miss Anna McLane, of Woodstock, N. B., a student nurse at the institution, who, it was charged by other nurses had made remarks derogatory to the American flag.

THE LAURIER MONUMENT

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—The organization work which has for its object the raising of \$100,000 for a monument to the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier is proceeding well in all the provinces, according to letters which are reaching liberal headquarters in the capital.

Killed Two Deer

Mr. P. G. Morrow of Hartford, Conn., arrived here last evening after a successful hunting trip with Mr. W. H. Brown of Canac as guide. Mr. Morrow killed two fine deer.