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## COMMITTEE OF THE LORDS FINDS THAT MISS TENNANT'S CHARGES WERE UNFOUNDED

### NO IMMORALITY IN THE WOMEN'S AIR FORCE

Story of Scandals Described as Contemptible and Its Author Deserving of the Gravest Censure—Miss Tennant Was Incapable of Seeing Things in Their True Perspective—Was No Intrigue or Obstruction, as Alleged.

Montreal, Dec. 9.—A London cable to the Gazette says it is doubtful if there has ever been a more outspoken report than that just issued by the House of Lords committee on the inquiry into the circumstances attending the dismissal of Miss Douglas Pennant as commandant of the Women's Royal Air Force.

The report is unanimous. The committee finds all her charges regarding obstruction, opposition and intrigue are unfounded. Rumors of general immorality at the W. R. A. F. camps, which for months has been hanging over the women who served at these camps, have not been supported by any evidence.

As regards Miss Pennant's particular accusation that immorality was rife at Hurst Park camp, that it was connived at by the officials, and the suspicions thrown by her on Colonel Janson and Miss Glubb, the report declares the story is contemptible, and characterizes the launching of it as "deserving of the gravest censure."

Another scathing sentence describes Miss Pennant as "very reckless in her imputations" and with "incapacity to see things in their true perspective," her distortion of events "reached its climax when she accused Sir Auckland Geddes as being a party to the intrigue."

### All Quiet at Minto

The strike of coal miners at Minto is proceeding quietly. A report today was to the effect that the majority of the strikers were out of the place after rabbits. Mr. William Hayes, U. M. W. representative at Minto wishes to correct the impression that he advised the miners to strike previous to their voting on the matter. He states that he gave no advice or direction until after the vote had been taken and then advised them to proceed in an orderly manner.

## TOWNS IN THE MIDDLE WEST ARE SUFFERING FROM A COLD WAVE

**Scarcity of Soft Coal Adds to the Trouble—Worst Storm in Years is Sweeping Over Nebraska—Thermometer Down to 27 Degrees Below Zero.**

Chicago, Dec. 9.—Central and western states, where scores of towns have reported that they virtually were without coal last night were experiencing extremely low temperatures and heavy snowfalls.

Railroad officials in Nebraska reported that the worst storm in years was sweeping over that state, with train service on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy between Lincoln and Denver at a standstill.

The Southwest last night was in the grip of a gathering blizzard with the mercury falling rapidly in Missouri, Kansas, eastern Colorado and parts of Oklahoma and Texas.

The coldest December day in Butte, Mont., was reported yesterday when it registered 22 below, while in the northwest it was as low as 27.

Severe suffering among livestock is expected as the pastures in many states are buried under a coat of ice. Attempts are being made to round up cattle and drive them to shelters.

No relief for the next twenty four hours was indicated in weather forecasts. The cold wave was reported to be moving eastward and is expected to reach Chicago and the lower lakes by tonight with zero temperature Wednesday morning.

## CLEMENCEAU AND LLOYD GEORGE WILL CONFER IN LONDON ON SERIOUS PROBLEMS OF THE HOUR

Love Feast to Welcome Deputies From Alsace and Lorraine

Developed Into a Vocal Pitched Battle—Socialist Members Were the Disturbing Element—Inspiring Address by Premier Clemenceau.

Paris, Dec. 9.—Premier Clemenceau will go to London tomorrow night to confer with Premier Lloyd George on "serious questions of the present hour" according to several newspapers this morning.

The love feast scheduled to welcome the return of the Deputies yesterday at the first session of the newly elected Chamber turned into a vocal pitched battle when the socialists attempted to read their political party declaration. This came after the speeches of Premier Clemenceau, Jules Siegfried, the oldest member of the Chamber, and Jean Francois, the youngest Deputy, who had been selected by the members from Alsace and Lorraine to speak for them.

### SOCIALISTS MEMBERS GIVEN THE FLOOR BUT HAD DIFFICULTY IN GETTING A HEARING

Albert Thomas, Socialist, ascended the tribune said terrific "booming" but he was unable to make himself heard for fifteen minutes. Finally, obtaining relative measure of silence, he succeeded in saying a few words. Alexander Verrene, socialist, also managed to speak for a few moments. The house then voted to placard throughout France the addresses of Premier Clemenceau, M. Siegfried and M. Francois, ignoring those of M. Thomas and Verrene.

The deputies, with the exception of eight socialists, who remained seated, among them Marcel Cachin, listened to the delegation of M. Francois, standing. The seated socialists were "booed" by deputies and spectators alike.

The only vote taken was upon the posting of the speeches in which the socialists were crushed.

### CLEMENCEAU URGES THE DEPUTIES TO FORGET PARTY POLITICS AND WORK TO BUILD UP FRANCE

M. Clemenceau's speech was very brief. "We must rebuild France; let us hasten to commence; we must work and forget party politics," was the substance of his plea.

While M. Thomas speaking, Marshal Foch rose from his seat in the balcony and left the Chamber. General Mangin remaining throughout the session, as did the Earl of Derby, the British Ambassador and all the heads of allied missions in France.

The declaration on behalf of the Alsatian Deputies by M. Francois, began with a quotation from the Alsace-Lorraine declaration read in February, 1874, in the national assembly at Bordeaux, and continued: "The Bordeaux protestation renewed in 1874 in the Reichstag by the newly elected deputies from the annexed provinces has lost none of its force."

### THE HEART OF ALSACE LORRAINE HAS NEVER CEASED TO BELONG TO THE FAMILY OF FRANCE

"Today, on the morrow of our liberation, we the legitimate heirs of the Bordeaux protesters, at the moment of taking possession of their seats, vacant for half a century, wish to signify to Germany and the whole world that the heart of Alsace-Lorraine has never ceased to belong to the family of France and now feels profound joy on re-entering therein."

"We wish solemnly to record that no protest has been raised by our two provinces against the Versailles treaty, which gives us back our French nationality. On the contrary the candidates of every list presented, even those who were defeated, proclaimed in their programmes manifestos and speeches their unflinching affection for their country, France."

The declaration expresses gratitude at France's heavy sacrifices and saluted "the great Lorrainer" who was president of the republic during the long war, and also M. Clemenceau, the last representative of the Bordeaux protest and concluded:

"Alsace and Lorraine will resume their guard along the frontier of the Rhine. They will not fail in their mission as the advance sentinels of French thought."

## XMAS BUYERS ARE FLOCKING TO LONDON

London, Dec. 8.—With the closing of the motor show there is now a little more room in London and hotels in Bloomsbury and elsewhere can find space for the traveller at two or three days' notice.

That however, will not last for long because Christmas shopping and festivities are soon going to draw great numbers to town. Stationers' windows are dressed already with Christmas cards and diaries and the pastry cooks' plum puddings.

In another week or so Regent street and Oxford street will start their Yuletide displays and women will come in from all over the country for a round of shopping and theatres. Money is plentiful in England and London is gathering in a great deal of it, part of it to the coffers of stock brokers and company promoters in the City and almost as much to hotels, shops and theatres in the West End. The consequence is that theatre seats are at a premium.

Rents of City and West End offices are rising steadily and life in the town grows harder daily for quiet people with fixed incomes.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Drastic nationwide regulations in lighting and heating similar to those in effect during the coal shortage of 1917, were ordered tonight by Fuel Administrator Garfield. The limitations are effective immediately.

## TORONTO'S CIVIC WELCOME TO LORD AND LADY JELlicoe WAS A PLEASANT FUNCTION

### RUSSELL TRIAL CONTINUED AT WINNIPEG

Dentist Tells of Inconvenience Caused by Shutting Off the Water Supply—Other Evidence.

Winnipeg, Dec. 9.—When Dr. W. H. Gardiner, a dentist who has a suite of offices on one of the upper coors of the Somerset block, on finding that his water supply was cut off as a result of the strike, went to talk to the strike committee of the seriousness of the situation for patients of doctors and dentists, he was told that if privileges were granted to some they would have to be extended to others, and that this was what the strike committee were not prepared to do, and that it was inevitable when great issues were involved that some should endure hardships and even death.

Testimony to the above effect was given by Dr. Gardiner at last night's session of the trial of R. B. Russell, charged with seditious conspiracy.

Evidence as to how the milk supply was cut off, and how by means of volunteer aid it was soon restored, was given by James Carruthers, general manager of the Crescent Creamery Company. Mr. Carruthers testified to writing letters to the trades and labor council and the strike committee, asking consideration for "the innocent babes, the sick in the hospital and the wounded soldiers," who would suffer greatly if the milk supply was cut off. To these letters, he showed, no attention had been paid; in any case, he got no acknowledgment and the desired action was not taken.

### SUMMARY OF MORNING NEWS

The Hague, Dec. 9.—It is probable now that all the missing members of the American steamer Liberty Glo are safe, according to the Captain of the vessel.

Rome, Dec. 9.—Gibriele D'Annunzio is elected deputy for Fiume. The post assures Italian Government that he will not undertake any expedition or go beyond the armistice lines.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Action on the peace treaty by the Senate is improbable until after Christmas, it was learned tonight.

## SETTLEMENT OF COAL STRIKE MAY OCCUR WITHIN 24 HOURS

**Proposal from President Wilson to be Considered by the Executive Board of the United Mine Workers This Afternoon—Court Proceedings for Contempt Likely to Stand Over.**

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 9.—Settlement within twenty-four hours of the strike of 400,000 bituminous coal miners of the country which had its inception more than five weeks ago, was confidently predicted today.

At two o'clock this afternoon the executive board and scale committee of the United Mine Workers of America were scheduled to go in session to consider a proposal made by President Wilson to John L. Lewis, acting President, and William Green, Secretary-Treasurer of the organization, Saturday night. The proposal was approved by the miners' officials, who received it while in conference with Attorney General Palmer in Washington, and agreed to urge the executive board to accept it as a basis for settlement of the strike.

The hearing of contempt charges against the union officials was set for ten o'clock this morning, and while Government attorneys would not make any statement, except that the miners would be required to appear as scheduled, it was generally believed that the proceedings would be postponed pending the outcome of the meeting of the executive board today.

### TRIBUTE TO NAVY AND MERCANTILE MARINE

The Admiral Suggests That the Men Folk and Youth of Canada be Educated in the Potential Importance of Sea Force for Canada—Overseas Dominions Must Do Their Part—Visit to University of Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—In a ceremony lasting less than half an hour, Viscount Admiral Jellicoe and Lady Jellicoe yesterday afternoon received a civic welcome in the City Hall. An address from the city was read by Mayor Church, paying a tribute to the British Navy and Mercantile Marine. Admiral Jellicoe expressed his thanks for Toronto's kindness and hospitality to Lady Jellicoe and himself.

The pleasant affair at the City Hall was followed by a reception to the visitors at Convocation Hall given by the Women's Canadian Club of this city. Admiral Jellicoe addressed the Ladies. He suggested that they educate first their men folk and then the youth of Canada in the potential importance of sea force for the Empire.

"Bring home to your male kind," he said, "that nothing should ever assail our sea communication. Sea transportation must be borne in ships but Great Britain should not bear it all. The ships might belong to Canada, New Zealand or other portions of the Empire."

A visit to the University of Toronto was included in this afternoon's programme of Lord and Lady Jellicoe and they left last night for Montreal.

### Basketball Game Last Night

The George Street Baptist basketball team defeated the team of St. Pauls Presbyterian Church by a score of 57 to 32 last evening. The match was a one-sided one the Brunswick Street church team showing the better team-play.

### Ploughing Out the Gutters

City Engineer McDowell has introduced an innovation in the matter of removing snow from the gutters in order to keep them clear of snow for a thaw. This is ploughing the snow out toward the centre of the streets and afterward levelling the ridge.

Mr. W. B. Jones of Chatham is a guest at the Queen.

Col. and Mrs. E. W. Sansom of Stanley are at the Barker House.