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CANADIAN MISSION IS GIVEN CLOSE ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF TRADE

Have Been Engaged During the Week in a Series of Important Conferences—Purchase of Supplies to be Made in Canada to Replace Allowances Made to the Germans from Old Country Stock—Advance Credits to be Granted.

(Special cable from John W. Dafeo.)

Paris, Feb. 7.—Apart from their participation in the affairs proper of the peace conference gathering, the Canadian mission has been occupied during the past week with matters economic in character which closely affect the interests of Canada. Dr. Robertson, representing the Department of Agriculture, and Mr. Lloyd Harris, of the trade mission here, have been in Paris and in co-operation with Sir Robert Borden and Sir George Foster have been engaged in a series of important conferences. These included a lengthy interview with Lord Reading. A matter of most pressing interest relates to the arrangements for the sale and distribution of foodstuffs throughout Europe, which has been considered during the past week by the Supreme Council of Supply and Relief.

Sir John Beal, who is the active British representative on this body, has kept in close touch with the Canadian ministers and trade representatives, and Dr. Robertson also saw Mr. Hoover in connection with Canada's interests, particularly with respect to the purchase of Canadian meats.

Dr. Robertson Thinks All Canadian Bacon Available for Export Will Soon be Taken

As a result of certain decisions by the Supreme Council, which have been given effect by arrangements made at Spa with the German representatives, considerable supplies of meats and fats will be sold from the Allied stores to Germany. These will be drawn from the heavily stocked reservoirs of meat supplies in England, and purchases to replace Germany's allowance will be in Canada and the United States.

Canada's proportion of the purchases to be thus made will be larger than the rate which prevailed in war time. Dr. Robertson said that the immediate resumption of the importation of bacon from Canada to England was to be expected and the prospects were that the whole of the exportable Canadian bacon surplus will be taken in the near future.

Present Restrictions of Trade Between Canada and England Soon to be Removed

Sir George Foster, with Mr. Lloyd Harris, has been engaged in a series of conferences with the French government to arrange the terms of an advance credit of \$5,000,000 granted the Canadian government and the distribution of products to be purchased therewith. There have been interviews with the Belgian government along similar lines, and progress has been made towards a settlement of preliminaries as to the use of the credit granted by Canada to that government. Belgium's needs are for both manufactured goods and food products, and certain raw materials for reconstruction purposes.

Sir Robert Borden has been busily negated during the past week. He had two lengthy interviews with Premier Lloyd George, one in company with Mr. Lloyd Harris at which the possible removal of the present restrictions of trade between Canada and Great Britain was discussed.

WAS CAUSED BY INTERNAL PRESSURE

Boston, Feb. 7.—"Bursting from internal pressure exceeding its structural strength" is given as the cause of the collapse of a molasses tank in the North End on January 15—resulting in 19 deaths, in findings announced tonight by Chief Justice Wilfrid Bolster of the municipal court.

PROTEERS WERE ARRESTED

Constantinople, Jan. 30.—The Turkish government has arrested forty members of the Union and progress party, who are charged with profiteering on the massacre of Armenians, the deportation and spoliation of Greeks, and the ill treatment of allied prisoners of war. These under arrest include Hussein Djahid Bey, former Vice-president of the Turkish parliament.

A CUT IN WAGES.

Jerome, Ariz., Feb. 7.—Mining companies of this section tonight rescinded an order for a cut in copper miners' wages of 75 cents a day. The reduction was to have gone into effect tomorrow, but final decision has been withheld until next week, when a lesser decrease may be made.

LAWRENCE STRIKERS ARE COOLING OFF

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 8.—The Arlington Mills, in the vicinity of which a number of strikers and sympathizers have been arrested during the past few days, were closed all day today and several other large textile plants operated only part of the day, in accordance with the plan to reduce the working time to 48 hours a week. As a consequence there were few persons on the streets and the morning disturbances which have kept the police on the alert since the strike for 56 hours pay for 48 hours work was inaugurated on Monday, were missing.

Mill agents said today that they expected increased forces next week. Those plants which remained open throughout the strike have operated with about fifty or sixty per cent of their normal forces, according to the agents. Many operatives who remained away are believed to have done so through fear of trouble and the agents look for their gradual return. In addition, intimations are said to have been given that strikers of some nationalities might soon report for work.

Appointed Clerk.

It is understood that at the recent meeting of the provincial government Mr. G. Y. Diblee was appointed Clerk of the Legislature in succession to the late Mr. H. B. Rainsford. Mr. Diblee has been clerk assistant for over twenty years and for the last three sessions acted as clerk.

CORP. M. J. BLAIR OF MARYSVILLE DEAD AT ST. JOHN

Served Overseas Two Years—Lately With Military Police—The Surviving Relatives.

Marysville, Feb. 8.—Word has been received here of the death at St. John due to tuberculosis following a severe attack of pneumonia of Corp. M. J. Blair son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Blair of this place. The deceased had returned a few months ago from overseas where he served for upwards of two years. He has been engaged in police duty in Fredericton and vicinity in connection with the military regulations and proved a very efficient young man. The late Corp. Blair is survived by his parents, a wife, three brothers Herman, Leo, and Allen, and six sisters Mrs. M. Sears, Margaret, Catherine, Agnes, Stella, and Gladys. The funeral took place this afternoon with full military honors.

The Knights of Pythias will entertain their lady friends and others on Thursday evening February 20th.

Mr. E. S. Pettigrove has returned from a trip to Calais.

Capt. McLean's and Capt. Minue's teams were tie in the bowling match at the Dawson Club Alleys last evening. The score was Minue 1187, McLean 1155. Capt. McLean's team won two strings and Capt. Minue's quintette won one string and the pin-fall.

Is Now Recovering

Rev. Thomas Marshall, of Fairville, is recovering from a somewhat severe sickness, which came on after his return from Toronto. Rev. Mr. Marshall formerly was Methodist pastor here.

Applicants Dissatisfied With Salary

Chief of Police Finley has received several applications for the position of policeman on the local force. The applicants on learning the salary and the rent of houses in the city almost all gave that "fadeaway" smile and made their exit, showing their dissatisfaction with the present salary.

A. O. H. Whist Party

The A. O. H. held an enjoyable whist party last evening at the A. O. H. Hall, Regent Street. Miss Agnes Feeney was the winner of the ladies' first prize while Mr. Lorraine won the gentlemen's. Miss Maroney and Edward Belliveau carried off the consolation prize. After the card party a short dance was held.

Held Surprise Party

An enjoyable surprise party was held last evening for Miss Pauline Barker daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Barker at their home in North Devon last evening. A number of friends gathered and presented the young hostess with a fountain pen. After the presentation refreshments were served the party breaking up at an early hour.

PEACE CONFERENCE DEALING WITH MATTER OF BOUNDARIES

Allied Nations Likely to Present a Solid Front When Delegates of Central Powers Enter the Conference—Disputes Have Been Settled by Mediation.

Paris, Feb. 8.—The most difficult problems now under consideration at the peace conference relate to the new boundaries to be created and which have aroused the aspirations of many nations, especially the little ones, for the territory of their neighbors. It is regarded as necessary that the associated powers shall present a solid front when the delegates of the Central Powers are admitted into the conference. If they do not present a solid front it is felt in some quarters that the enemy, defeated on the field, might succeed by cunning and intrigue in causing dissension among the associated powers and in getting better terms for themselves by offering tempting alliances. The main efforts of the conference leaders, therefore, are being directed toward the consolidation of their own forces and in gaining adhesion to the fundamental principles which are to govern the future relations of states.

Harsher Terms for the Huns.

A great deal has been done to settle the various territorial disputes by mediation and in endeavoring to have such disputes submitted to the society of nations when it is organized. The notable success in this direction has been in the conflict between Italy and Jugo-Slavia over territory in the eastern Adriatic. As these difficulties are overcome, however, others appear in the shape of demands by some elements for the imposition of harsher terms on Germany than are contained in the present armistice agreement, not only for the present, but also for the future. Some of these proposals are that Germany be kept blockaded indefinitely, even after the signing of the final peace treaty, in order to permit France and Belgium to rehabilitate their injured industries so as to be able to compete with Germany in the world's markets.

Armistice With Germany To Expire on February 17

CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS ARE TAKEN OFF

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—The Naval Department today issued an announcement to the effect that all censorship regulations restricting the use of wireless telegraphy to and from ships in the west Atlantic and in the Pacific are now completely removed.

The regulations for bidding the use of any private or amateur wireless stations throughout the Dominion are still in effect. The trans-Atlantic wireless censorship regulations are still in force and only press messages are being handled by this service.

A Good Egg Record

Stanley Tripp son of James Tripp of Tripp Settlement is the proud owner of seventeen Banded Plymouth Rock pullets which laid 264 eggs during the month of January. Stanley is a member of the Boys and Girls Poultry Club of Keswick Ridge and hatched the pullets from eggs supplied by the poultry division of the Agricultural Department. He has beaten out all other members of the club in the matter of egg production.

Appointed Secretary

Rev. Waldo C. Machum, B. A., of Port Maitland, N. S., has been appointed general secretary of the Baptist Board of Religious Education which is the new name of the Sunday school and young people's board. Mr. Machum will take up his duties as field secretary in a few weeks and the board is looking for ready and generous response to his leadership, on the part of pastors, superintendents and young people's leaders. Mr. Machum has written the notes on the young people's logic for the Maritime Baptist for the past year and will continue this work with his other duties. His address for some time will be Port Maitland, N. S. Rev. Mr. Machum is a native of Devon and a U. N. B. graduate.

Week-End Market

A large country market gathered this morning at Phoenix Square. Meats were plentiful, beef and veal selling rapidly. Beef brought from 12 to 15 cents a pound, while veal sold from 14 to 19 cents. Pork brought the usual price of 22 cents. Chickens sold for 50 cents a pound and one farmer who had a nice twenty-three pound turkey at 55 cents a pound drew a large crowd. Eggs sold for 65 to 70 cents. Butter at 55 cents, turnips at \$1 a barrel and potatoes at the regular price of \$3. Wood and hay were plentiful, the former bringing \$12 to \$14 a load and the latter \$16 to \$18 a ton.

Miss Jeanie Hodge is leaving on Monday evening for London, Ont., where she will visit the Misses Massey.

Matter of an Extension is Considered by Supreme War Council, But No Decision Reached—German Commercial Fleet to be Turned Over to the Allies, But Allotment of Steamers Has Not Yet Been Agreed Upon—Hun Blockade May be Lightened.

Paris, Feb. 8.—Many important matters were before the Supreme War Council, comprising the council of the great powers and the military commanders on all fronts, when it met today to consider primarily the extension of the armistice with Germany, which expires on February 17. Although the final decision went over until tomorrow, the session was interesting from the number of subjects demanding attention that were presented by the naval and military chiefs.

Reports were made to the council by the military high commands on the subjects of demobilization and the relative forces of the power so be maintained in the occupied region. The Versailles military council also submitted a report to the military forces available for the disturbed regions of Turkey.

Further Drastic Terms May be Imposed On Huns When the Armistice is Extended

The naval branch of the council presented recommendations formulated as the result of consultations among the British, French, Italian and American naval commanders, bearing mainly on the turning over of the German submarines, blockade restrictions and the surrender of the German commercial fleet. This fleet, it is said, is ready to be turned over, but the Allies thus far have not agreed upon the allotment of the steamers among the various Allied nations, nor upon the compensation for the use of the vessels.

The commission on blockade also presented a report favoring the lightening of the blockade in the Mediterranean and Adriatic. A tendency was manifested in some military quarters to impose further drastic terms upon Germany when the armistice was extended, but no decision was reached today.

War Council Meeting This Afternoon to Further Deal With Armistice Terms

This was regarded in some quarters as significant of the gradual change from war conditions to those of normal peace times. After the session the following statement on the proceedings was issued:

"The President of the United States of America, the Prime Ministers and Foreign Ministers of the Allied and associated powers, the Japanese representatives and the military representatives of the Supreme War Council, assisted by naval authorities and technical advisers, met at the Quai D'Orsay between 2.30 and 5.30 p. m. They discussed the terms of the extension of the armistice with Germany. The president of the United States of America and the representatives of the Allied and associated powers will meet at 3 p. m. to continue this discussion."

BIG LOAN FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF BELGIUM

New York, Feb. 8.—Arrangements have been completed for a loan of \$50,000,000 to Belgium by an American syndicate including J. P. Morgan & Company, it was learned here today. No announcement was made as to the rate of interest, but it was reported to be seven per cent. Leading banks in Belgium will draw bills which will be accepted by the financial interests participating in the loan, and the proceeds will be used to purchase American cotton, leather and other raw materials needed for reconstructing Belgium.

VETS TO MEET IN MONTREAL

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 8.—At a meeting of the executive of the Dominion Association of Army and Navy Veterans last night, the second annual convention of the Association was set for June 15 at Montreal. This date has been submitted to the absent members of the executive for their approval.

MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTIES

Ottawa, Feb. 8.—Casualties among Maritime men include the following: Died—Capt. W. T. Ruggles, Annapolis Royal, N. S.; A. Baker, St. John. Ill—R. Specht, Barton, N. S.; L. F. Rioux, Grand Falls, N. B.; H. Toser, Silliker, N. B.; C. N. Rowley, Aylsford, N. S.

GOLD EXCHANGE WITHOUT ACTUAL SHIPMENT

Washington, Feb. 8.—Willingness to undertake development of an international gold exchange fund to facilitate financial transactions between nations without actual shipment of gold, was expressed today by the Federal Reserve Board in its report for 1918. This arrangement would be similar to that now maintained by the board to settle balances between banks in the United States.

The fund might be developed among the Entente nations and a few leading neutrals, "but it is conceivable that all civilized nations may eventually be participants," said the board. The gold would be deposited in trust in some bank or banks to guarantee exchange obligations, and it was proposed that the fund should be limited to current commercial and exchange transactions.

This is one of the suggestions for future financial developments growing out of successful domestic war operations of the Federal Reserve system, which they proved in detail.

DEPORTING BOLSHEVISTS

London, Feb. 8.—The government is quietly arresting and deporting "undesirable aliens" who are believed to be Bolshevik propagandists in Great Britain according to Daily Sketch which says that several have recently been sent out of the country, including M. Soermus, a Russian violinist who has been touring Wales and who is alleged to have been interspersing his recitals with Bolshevik propaganda work. M. Soermus is a son of a wealthy Russian land owner, and had participated in the Russian revolution.