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The Discovery Which was Only Recently Made is Creating Interest in Wireless Circles in the Old Country—Has an Important Bearing on Researches Now Being Made.

(Special Correspondence of the Daily Mail).

London, August 14.—It has only just come to light that wireless telephone messages sent out from the Marconi Experimental Station at Chelmsford in February and March last were heard in New York.

This discovery is causing great interest in wireless circles as it has an important bearing on the research at present being made in Transatlantic wireless telephony, which is on the eve of important developments.

Mr. H. M. Short, one of the Marconi Company's New York Staff, was experimenting with his receiving apparatus on one or two occasions during February and March when he heard someone speaking through the ether in English. At the time he had no knowledge of the Chelmsford experiments and thought the speech was from some American wireless station.

Recently a high official of the company visited New York and the Chelmsford experiments were discussed. Notes were compared as to dates and times and, as a result of further investigations, there is now no doubt that the English voice heard in New York was the voice of the man speaking at Chelmsford.

MACHINES DO OFFICE WORK

Orange, N. J., Aug. 14.—Thomas A. Edison today predicted the universal use of machinery in offices.

Replying to the speech of George M. Austin, who presented him with a commemorative silk flag at the 43rd anniversary convention of the invention of the Ediphone, Edison said with in a few years machines will do about everything in an office just as they do in the shops.

"Office workers will have better jobs and comparatively better pay, the more they use the automatic devices," he said.

"Do you know why the office worker is well satisfied as anybody?" Edison asked in discussing the present unrest. "It is because he sees and understands the problems of his boss and he's satisfied to see the president paid \$50,000 salary because he is close enough to know he earns his money."

Invested capital has increased enormously for each worker, while the value of manufactured goods has increased per worker in a much smaller proportion, Edison said.

OLD FIG LEAF IS THE STYLE

Paris, Aug. 14.—The first show of autumn fashions has scared off American buyers on account of the shortness of women's skirts.

The new style skirts put out by the Parisian designers are the shortest since the fig leaf days. One model, which the French dressmakers admit is "fairly daring," contains a skirt composed of front and rear panels reaching together only part of the way so that the slightest puff of wind blows them apart.

JUDGE BRODEUR MEETING WITH SOME OLD FRIENDS IN LONDON

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LONDON, Aug. 11.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur, Judge of the Supreme Court at Ottawa, who is visiting his son, an officer in the British navy at Portsmouth, and studying parliamentary customs here, told the Cross-Atlantic Service that "it is gratifying for Canadians visiting London to find their compatriots occupying high positions of state. Sir Hamar Greenwood is an old friend." The Judge is optimistic about the League of Nations and said he believed the United States elections would result in a Democrat being returned, which would automatically seal approval of the peace treaty and the consequent revival of the League.

BRITISH LABOR INTERESTS DO NOT BELIEVE THERE WILL BE WAR WITH RUSSIA

Assurance Given Labor Leaders by Premier Lloyd George That No British Troops Will Invade Russian Soil—Little Danger Now of a Nation Wide Strike—Much Depends on the Conference at Minsk.

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London, Aug. 14.—The danger of a general strike of British labor as a protest against Premier Lloyd George's policy with the Soviets has passed and labor believes the Russian crisis is over. Assurances have been given it through J. H. Clynes, the leader, that no British troops will invade Russian soil nor seek the destruction of the Russian government.

This word was given to me by Clynes after a forty minute interview with the Premier at noon in Downing street. "The crisis has passed," he said to me, "and I confidently believe the Allies will not declare war on Russia. Consequently there will be no nation-wide strike of protest in England. Poland must pay for the folly of launching a war against Soviet Russia. The Premier agreed with me on this, but declared he would not stand for the Bolshevik armistice plan to wipe out the Polish state. I assured him that British labor would not support the Soviet attempt to do this and I am confident the Bolsheviks will not be foolish enough to try to force impossible terms. All depends on the Minsk conference.

Interview With the Premier.

My interview with Lloyd George was so satisfactory that not a single British soldier will be sent to Russia, that I doubt if there is either French or British interference. If the Soviets attempt to impose impossible conditions at the Minsk conference, and I am sure they will not, then British labor will stand behind Lloyd George in opposition to this. However, if Lloyd George or Premier Millerand attempt to plunge us into war on any other pretext, all British Labor will strike, laying down their tools as a protest. I am sure there will be no war, consequently there will be no strike."

SAYS RETAIL PRICES WILL KEEP FALLING

Detroit, Aug. 14.—"Merchandise men finding the retail stores of the country overstocked with goods which, in many cases, are proving exceedingly unwieldy to dispose of in the face of curtailed purchases, are attempting to dispose of these surplus goods by sale after sale in various departments. Credit men must be on the alert that they will not be the victims of the merchandise man's desire to unload, by extending credit promiscuously."

Such was the warning extended to members of the Retail Credit Men's National Association, in convention in Hotel Statler, this afternoon, by J. R. Hewett, of Baltimore, Md. Joseph B. Auerbach, of New York city, saw the same depressing outlook in sales and credit conditions from the credit men's point of view. "Prices are falling," said he, "and they will continue to fall. The public is no longer so keen to buy merchandise at high prices. Today business failures are on the increase alarmingly. The market is glutted with many commodities, including silk, hides and textiles. The retail credit man should exercise the greatest caution. He should scan the accounts he already has very closely, and he should be extremely careful of new accounts; not, however, to the extent of turning away desirable trade."

RATS CAUSE MUCH DAMAGE

San Juan, P. R., Aug. 14.—Porto Rico has a rat population of 2,500,000—two to each inhabitant—and it costs the island \$15,000,000 annually to support them. This is the estimate of Maj. G. M. Corput of the United States public health service, chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico.

Each rat, according to Maj. Corput consumes provisions or damages crops and property to the extent of \$6 monthly. The recent census gave Porto Rico a population of approximately 1,300,000. On this basis each man, woman or child in the island contributes about \$11 annually to the support of the rat family.

Laundress Stole Linen Margaret Costello, laundress at the Algonquin Hotel, St. Andrews, was arrested on Thursday by Investigator Legett, of the C. P. R. Investigation Department, on the charge of theft of linen. Parcels of linen wrapped up ready for shipment, were found and the accused made a confession in which she gave the names of places where goods had been shipped. Thursday evening two waitresses were also placed under arrest.

OVERAWED BY BIG STORES IN THE U. S.

London, Aug. 14.—Miss Dorothy Cook, one of the party of English merchants who have just returned from a tour of the United States, inspecting the large retail stores of the cities, was "rather overawed" by the immense size of the stores, particularly in the West and Middle-West.

"They did not," she said, "show much in the windows—priced articles, I mean—but my! What did they have inside! The stores' principal feature, I think, are the vast open entrance halls. No sooner do you get inside than you are shot up to the roof or to whichever floor you want in the most breathless manner. The shop-girls and salesmen are exceedingly polite and well trained, and go out of their way to find what you want."

Mr. F. W. Cook, of Dudley, chairman of the Drapers' Chamber of Trade, said the organization and development of the tremendous stores in the United States have been reached by the perfection of the services rendered to the public. Manicure, dentistry, children's nurseries, cafes, restaurants, rest rooms, post, telegraph, phonograph, picture shows, candy stores—everything is placed in the services of the stores. The buildings are palaces, and occupy the best positions in the cities.

SOME JUDGES ARE DIFFERENT

Boston, Aug. 14.—As Chief Justice Rugg and the six associate justices of the Supreme Court have notified the State Auditor that they prefer to waive the salary increases provided by the Legislature in order not to be deprived thereby of pension privileges now open to them, the 15 judges of the Superior Court who have elected to receive the increase of \$2,000 given under the act will be paid \$10,000 a year apiece, the same salaries as those paid to the judges of the highest state tribunal.

The remainder of the 28 Superior Court jurists have joined with the Supreme Court judges in declining the increases, preferring to save their retirement allowances.

Woodstock Golfers Here. Ten members of the Woodstock Golf Club arrived in Fredericton this morning and play was commenced over a rather soggy course about 11.30 a. m. The visitors are Dr. Sprague, George Mitchell, A. E. Jones, C. J. Jones, W. Balmain, B. Stewart, R. F. Armstrong, H. V. Dalling, H. Drysdale and T. Jones. It is expected that the full course will be played.

YOUNG MAN WAS ELECTROCUTED WHILE WATCHING A BASEBALL GAME AT ST. JOHN LAST NIGHT

POTATOES AND SALMON EASED OFF IN MARKET

Large Attendance and Prices of Other Produce Remained Steady—Great Variety Offered Today.

The week-end market today was one of the largest this year, but despite the size of the market and the large quantities of produce offered, prices retained their usual high level. Supply and demand did not appear to control cost. A drop was noticed in potatoes, both old and new ones selling at \$6 per barrel. Salmon sold as low as 35c. per pound, and this is unusual, as the prevailing price has been 40c. a pound and today is the last day of the net fishing season.

Prices were as follows:
Butter, per lb. 55-60c
Eggs, per doz. 65-70c
Potatoes per bbl. \$6.00
Chickens, per pair \$2.00
Veal, per lb. 12-18c
Lamb, per lb. 20-25c
Beef, per lb. 12-16c
Salmon, per lb. 35c
Sweet corn, per doz. 40c
Fowl, per lb. 30c
Green peas (shelled) per qt. 30-35c
Cauliflower, per head 25c
Cabbage, per head 20c

WHERE SKIRTS ARE VERY HIGH

Chicago, Aug. 14.—After being tramped by crowds of Americans, Britons, and French, the Fairbanks, Doug, and Mary, reached Chicago on their return trip to Los Angeles. The honeymooners greeted a throng of curious Chicagoans with tired and bored expressions. Doug, actually frowned on photographers.

"We have had enough of dodging crowds in London and Paris," said Mary, "but this is worse. There was only one place we visited where we were able to get about without a crowd at our heels. That was Lape Como, Italy. We were very, very happy there."

"What did Mary think of Parisian styles?" "Scandalous," she said. "Why those Paris women simply have no taste at all in dress. They wear their skirts so well, they all have sunburned knees and their evening costumes simply beggar description."

Vacation on Tobique Miss Christine Tennant of the Department of Agriculture is leaving this evening for Gulguc, on the Tobique the home of her uncle, where she will spend her vacation.

Returned from Official Tour Dr. G. C. Melvin, of the Department of Public Health returned yesterday at noon from McAdam, Woodstock, Madawaska, and Grand Falls, where he has been on business connected with his department.

Premier Presented Prizes Hon. W. E. Foster and Brigadier General A. H. Macdonnell attended the finals of the New Brunswick Rifle Association annual shoot at Sussex yesterday when the premier presented the prizes to the victors.

Receivers for Boston & Maine A group of stockholders has made an application to Judge Edgar Aldrick of the United States district court of New Hampshire for the appointment of receivers for the Boston & Maine railroad system which operates in five states and in Quebec province. The complainants charge that the operations of the railroad have resulted in an annual deficit of about \$3,000,000. A hearing will be held at Concord on Thursday next.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Campbell and children returned last evening from P. E. Island, where they have been spending their vacation.

FRENCH AND U. S. VIEWS ON POLISH QUESTION IN COMPLETE ACCORD

PARIS, Aug. 14.—The French government's sending a note to the United States expressing pleasure that the French and United States views on the Russo-Polish situation are "in complete accord," it was learned today. The note, which is 800 words in length and signed by Premier Millerand, recapitulates the conclusions in the United States note to Italy, saying France "reaches an identical conclusion." It adds that France "never varied in its determination to support the principles so clearly formulated by the government of the United States." The French note says it was with these principles in mind that France recognized General Wrangel, anti-Bolshevik commander in South Russia, and decided not to approve the Soviet's terms to Poland unless they conformed to these principles.

THREE OTHER BOYS WERE BADLY BURNED

Shocking Tragedy at the Winter Port — Electric Wires Which Ran Through a Wire Netting Behind the Home Plate Had Become Worn, Causing a Short Circuit.

St. John, Aug. 14.—One boy was killed and three others knocked unconscious last evening at 7.30 by coming incontact with a wire netting that had short circuited with live wires, carrying about 700 volts. The accident occurred at Queen Square, West St. John, where the wire netting was placed by the city to protect onlookers from being struck by baseballs during a game.

The victims of the accident were Orlo Brown, eighteen years old, who was killed; Joseph Coram, Roy McLeod and Roydon O'Reilly, all of whom received burns about the hands and feet. The last three were made unconscious by the shock, but after first aid had been applied they recovered, and were conveyed to their homes. The three lads were visited by a press representative later in the evening, and none appeared to be much the worse for the accident, except for burns about the hands and feet.

According to witnesses of the accident a scrub game was going on in Queen Square. Behind the home plate an ordinary wire netting had been erected to protect the spectators from being injured by foul balls. Through the netting, near the top, pass four live wires, carrying a current which is estimated to be about 700 volts, and it is thought that the insulation of one or more of these wires became worn and the current consequently short circuited through the wire netting.

Harry Johnson, who was catching just before the accident, and who was an eye witness of all that took place, said that young Joe Coram, who is eight years of age, approached towards the diamond from the street and placing his hands leaned on the wire netting to watch the game. As soon as the young lad came in contact with the netting he received a shock so severe as to make him unconscious, falling under a bench that had been placed near the foot of the netting.

It seems that when Coram received the shock other boys rushed to the netting to investigate. Brown was among the number and received a violent shock from which he never rallied.

Dr. F. L. Kenney was summoned, but pronounced the boy dead. As coroner he empaneled a jury, and will hold an inquest.

AN OLD NOTE TURNS UP

Philadelphia, Aug. 14.—An unpaid note for four shekels in silver, bearing 40 per cent. annual interest for nearly 4,000 years, recently was found among the clay tablets at the University of Pennsylvania Museum by Dr. Leon Legrain. The note was given by a man named Bur-Mama to Il Shinnutum, in October, 1922, B. C., "the year in which King Rim-Sin occupied the town of Dur-Damigilisha."

There were four witnesses to the note. Instead of signatures the witnesses placed their seals on the document and were not liable for payment unless it was shown they knew the character of Bur-Mama was bad when they swore it was good.

Although comparisons are difficult, Dr. Legrain said, a shekel of silver at the time the note was made was equal to about \$100 at the present time.

Left for Winnipeg: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Villers left last night for Winnipeg and expect to locate there. Mrs. Villers formerly was Miss Lizzie Welch.