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# The Daily Mail

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THE WEATHER  
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Maritime: Moderate to fresh  
south and southwest winds,  
local falls of snow or rain, but  
mostly fair today; Friday sta-  
tionary or slightly lower tem-  
perature.  
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## MESSAGE TO CONGRESS BY PRESIDENT WILSON SEVERELY CRITICIZED IN BRITISH PRESS

**BIRMINGHAM POST  
MAKES CAUSTIC COMMENT**

Leading Conservative Organ of  
Provinces—Sanction of the  
People Has Been Obtained by  
European Govts.—League of  
Nations the Only Alternative  
to Ruin.

(By Sydney B. Cave, staff correspond-  
ent of the Daily Mail, by Cross-  
Atlantic Newspaper Service.)  
London, Dec. 16.—An outspoken  
editorial on President Wilson's mes-  
sage to Congress appeared yesterday  
in the Birmingham Evening Post, the  
leading provincial Conservative organ.  
The editorial says the President's mes-  
sage suggests that he is disappointed  
with European politics and describes  
as an ungenerous taunt his assertion  
that diplomatic conferences are char-  
acterized by "wanton rejection of the  
principle of democracy, and the sub-  
stitution therefore of the precept of  
autocracy, asserted in the name of, but  
without the sanction of the multi-  
tudes."

This taunt has no foundation in  
truth in Great Britain or France. In  
Italy the people are behind both the  
Government and the League. Of course  
that mistakes are being made nobody  
denies. The United States may be  
able to afford to stand aloof. Our  
troubles are such, however, that we  
certainly cannot do that. The United  
States may calmly contemplate new  
wars, but our wounds are too recent  
for that. The United States may be  
able to renew their old competition  
in building armaments for Europe  
and that will spell ruin. The only al-  
ternative to ruin yet suggested is em-  
bedded in the League. The very fact  
that the United States stands aloof is  
a further reason for going forward  
with it in all earnestness and sincer-  
ity. But it is impossible that the Uni-  
ted States can wholly ignore European  
affairs, and if it finds aloofness im-  
possible then it will find also it has  
to reckon with the League and may  
even find it desirable to become a  
member of that League. But it will  
be for the new administration rather  
than President Wilson to choose be-  
tween these two policies.

## PARCEL POST RATES TOO LOW

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Because freight  
rates have gone up and express rates  
are likely to do so, as the result of the  
hearing just concluded, representa-  
tions are being made that the parcel  
postage ought likewise to be increas-  
ed. This view is being put forward  
particularly by retail merchants, who  
maintain that the mail order houses  
are not cutting extensive into local  
trade, but also that they are getting a  
service below cost. The volume of  
parcel post business is increasing very  
materially and the doubling of the reg-  
istration charge has been followed by  
an increase rather than a decrease in  
parcels sent with that security.

## MONCTON TIMES HAD BIG FIRE

Moncton, Dec. 15.—Fire which broke  
out in the basement of the Daily  
Times office tonight caused damage  
that will keep the newspaper from  
working in all departments for several  
days. The flames were first noticed  
at 10.15 o'clock by Frank Gillis, Cana-  
dian Press operator, who saw the  
smoke coming through the floor. In-  
vestigation showed that the whole  
front basement was on fire. The fire  
department was summoned and after  
a fight of two hours and a half the  
fire was extinguished.

The loss is estimated at between  
\$15,000 and \$20,000, covered by insur-  
ance. The origin of the fire is un-  
known.

T. M. Jones of Woodstock is at the  
Queen.

## GOVERNMENT REFUSES TO DIVIDE TAXES

**Premier Makes Full Statement  
in Reply to St. John Re-  
quest—Grand Falls  
Matters.**

St. John, Dec. 16.—The mayor and  
city commissioners appeared before  
the provincial government in session  
here last evening and asked that the  
government consider the proposal of  
sharing with the city the revenue  
obtained from the taxing of motor  
vehicles and places of amusement and  
the fines obtained in the local police  
court under the prohibition act. Pre-  
mier Foster explained the impracti-  
cability of sharing the revenue from  
any of these sources with the city.  
The government held a late session,  
concluding its work this morning so  
that the members will leave today  
for their homes.

**Amusement Tax**  
With reference to the division of  
the revenue from the amusement tax,  
the premier pointed out to the city  
fathers that the amusement tax in  
New Brunswick was the smallest of  
any province in the dominion, being  
only half of that imposed by some  
provinces, and if the city wished to  
share this tax there would have to be  
an additional levy and therefore the  
amount might just as well be obtain-  
ed by some other method.

**For Upkeep of Roads**  
In connection with the city's request  
for a share in the revenue obtained  
from the tax on motor vehicles, the  
premier explained that this tax was  
recognized as a purely provincial one  
and the revenue obtained from it was  
for the improvement of roads, and al-  
so certain roads had been built an-  
ticipating returns from this source. It  
would be different if the municipalities  
helped in the upkeep as they did in  
some of the provinces but in New  
Brunswick the government looked after  
the upkeep of all the roads.

**Prohibition Fines**  
Regarding the request with refer-  
ence to the fines obtained by the en-  
forcement of the prohibition act, the  
premier pointed out that the fines col-  
lected by virtue of this act in the city  
of St. John did not pay for the cost  
of its administration in the city. He  
said that the government would be  
very glad to hand over to the city the  
administration of the act within the  
city's borders and let the city look after  
the whole revenue, but that such a  
proceeding would be against the pur-  
pose for which the law was enacted,  
namely to take it out of the hands of  
the municipalities and center it in the  
government. The government ex-  
pressed a willingness to make arrange-  
ments satisfactory to the city to reim-  
burse it for the maintenance of those  
convicted for violation of the act,  
while residing in jail.

**Grand Falls Matter**  
Most of the time at the afternoon  
sitting was taken up with a discus-  
sion of the development of water power  
at Grand Falls. All the members of  
the government with the exception of  
Hon. Dr. J. E. Hetherington, were  
present, as was Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith,  
chairman of the New Brunswick Hy-  
dro-Electric Commission. Philp T. Dodge  
and G. F. Underwood appeared  
before the government as representa-  
tives of the International Paper Com-  
pany, owners of the water power  
rights at Grand Falls.

Another delegation, consisting of F.  
W. Tweedie, J. W. Brankley and Geo.  
Watt, appeared before the government  
and requested a grant for the Agri-  
cultural Society of Chatham for the  
purpose of holding an exhibition in 1921.

Although no official announcement  
was made in regard to the develop-  
ment of water power at Grand Falls,  
Mr. Dodge said after the meeting that  
he did not think that anything would  
be done by his company for some time  
yet. He said that it would be a very  
expensive undertaking as it would  
cost approximately \$15,000,000 to de-  
velop power, and erect a mill. The  
matter however, is still in abeyance,  
Mr. Dodge said.

## GERMANS ARE SEEING WAR LIKE PREPARATIONS BY THE ALLIES IN RHINELAND

**Have the Belief That Allied Troops Will March Inland in Case  
Germany Refuses to Make Prompt Payment of the War  
Indemnity—Socialistic Newspaper Sounds a Note of Alarm**

(By Viggo Toepfer, staff correspondent of the Daily Mail, by Cross-Atlantic  
Newspaper Service.)

**BERLIN, Dec. 16.**—Huge militaristic plans on the part of  
France and Belgium in the occupied zone of Germany, it is  
feared here, are intended as preparations for an immediate  
advance into the interior in the event of Germany's failure to  
pay the war indemnity promptly. A notable article appearing  
in the leading German socialist newspaper "Vorwaerts," ex-  
pressing this apprehension has created considerable sensation  
here and in neutral countries.

### THE EXPENSE IS HEAVY.

The article says in part: The budget estimates now sub-  
mitted to the Reichstag give the appalling figure of 15,000,000-  
000 marks for expenses of the occupation troops and Entente  
commissions. It is only a rough estimate, and it is doubtful if  
this sum will be sufficient. Certain it is that this is the mini-  
mum amount which we shall have to find for the occupation  
armies and the commissions which are having a good time in  
starving German towns.

"As Socialists we, of course, assert that the victors have no  
right to occupy parts of Germany after the war and to subject  
the population to panic laws, but most emphatically we also  
deny the necessity of sending such armed masses to Rhineland.

"According to private information reaching us from a most  
reliable source, an army of 410,000 to 510,000 soldiers occu-  
pies the Rhineland. Such a powerful force is not needed to  
hold in check a harmless, disarmed population; it loses its  
character as an "army of occupation," and it threatens the  
adjoining parts of the German Republic.

**Extensive Preparations.**  
"This impression is strengthened  
by the fact that the military heads of  
the Entente are making preparations  
which cannot possibly have anything  
to do with the purposes of the occupa-  
tion. These preparations indicate the  
approach of huge masses of troops, far  
in excess of the present numbers. The  
mere mention of some of these will  
justify our conclusions. Near Treves  
a vast site for an army bakery to sup-  
ply daily bread rations for 4,000,000  
men has been commandeered.

And the present army of occupation  
numbers 510,000. The existing Ger-  
man aerodromes do not meet the re-  
quirements of the Entente militarists,  
so they are increasing them. Are we  
to believe that these aerodromes are  
intended for the use of an occupation  
army in a peaceful country? New  
drill grounds, new maneuvering camps  
are demanded, new barracks are being  
built.

"The armies which set out to kill  
Prussian militarism are now practising  
militarism on an increased scale.

These gigantic constructions can  
certainly not be intended for occupa-

tion purposes only. We might also  
mention the munition depot planned  
near Kaiserslautern, which is to cover  
an area of 600 hectares, sufficient for  
an army of millions. Then there are  
the tank depots, pontoon bridges over  
the Rhine, etc. All these preparations  
are not made at haphazard; they form  
a well considered military system,  
based on far-reaching plans. It should  
not be overlooked that these prepara-  
tions are not carried out by Americans  
or Britons, they are almost exclusively  
of French and Belgian origin.

"For the Rhinish population these  
plans mean the expropriation of thou-  
sands of acres of fertile land with its  
concomitant—the impoverishment of  
our food.

"But what will these preparations  
mean for Germany? The answer is:  
We may expect forcible measures at  
the right moment. Let us make it  
plain that the preparations on the  
Rhine are serious realities. Do our  
comrades in the Entente countries  
know of these military preparations by  
their government? The Rhinelanders  
appeal to all friends of peace in the  
world, an expect that this appeal and  
warning will not prove ineffective.

## MEMORIAL FOR ANIMALS LOST IN WAR

(Special to Daily Mail, by Cross-At-  
lantic Newspaper Service.)

London, Dec. 16.—A memorial cost-  
ing \$150,000 for all animals lost in the  
war, including Canadian and American  
horses and elephants, killed while on  
heavy transport duty, and even mice  
and small birds used for the detection  
of poisonous gasses, will be erected in  
the west end of London.

The Royal Society for the Preven-  
tion of Cruelty to Animals of Britain,  
which is appealing for support of the  
idea, has announced that subscriptions  
will be sought from Canada through  
newspapers and associations co-oper-  
ating with American societies for a  
similar movement in the United States.  
British horse casualties in the war to-  
talled 346,130, of which thousands came  
from Canada.

C. J. Jones of Woodstock is at the  
Queen.  
C. A. Newland of St. John is in  
the city.

## MOUNT A. GOES AHEAD WITH CAMPAIGN

Sackville, N. B., Dec. 14.—That the  
Board of Regents of Mount Allison in-  
tend to throw all of their energies in-  
to the proposed endowment campaign  
was evidenced at a joint meeting of  
the Board of Regents and their Zone  
Chairmen held at the University to-  
day.

The most minute details of the plan  
of campaign were discussed and it was  
decided that the plan of organization  
should be carried into every Methodist  
Church in the Maritime Provinces, for  
while Mount Allison Institutions are  
not restricted to students of Methodist  
faith, it is the only Methodist Univers-  
ity in the entire British Empire with  
the power to confer degrees. In addi-  
tion it is at Mount Allison that the  
great majority of Methodist Ministers  
of the Maritime Provinces have re-  
ceived their theological training.

At a joint meeting here today, prac-  
tically every quarter of the Provinces  
was represented, the following mem-  
bers being present: Col. Frank M.  
Black, General Campaign Chairman;

## BIG SHIPMENT OF BRITISH AIRPLANES HAS BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THE U.S. BY THE COURTS

## VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFF IN M'DONALD CASE

**Jury Gave Affirmative Answer  
to Only Question After Be-  
ing Out Some Ten  
Minutes.**

In the New Brunswick Court of Di-  
vorce and Matrimonial Causes the  
jury Wednesday afternoon brought in  
a verdict for the plaintiff in the case  
of Evelyn Ward McDonald vs. John  
Penwick McDonald. The jury was out  
not more than ten minutes. The only  
question left to jury was that of adu-  
ltery between the defendant and Mrs.  
Jossie Black of St. John named as co-  
respondent. The answer to that was  
in the affirmative.

W. S. Tompkins of Fredericton was  
foreman of the jury. The other mem-  
bers were Wesley Fraser, Prince Wil-  
liam; Guy McMurray, Lake George;  
Thomas Moss, Cross Creek; Jedediah  
Brewer, Burt's Corner.

**Evidence Presented**  
The only evidence presented was  
that of Annie M. Seely of St. John,  
taken under commission at St. John  
on Tuesday, the witness being serious-  
ly ill. She swore that she was the  
keeper of a lodging house in St. John  
at which Mrs. Josie Black stayed and  
told of seeing the defendant in Mrs.  
Black's room early one morning,  
of entering the room and of being jo-  
cally introduced by Mrs. Black to the  
defendant as "my husband."

**Non-Appearance**  
After the verdict there was a lengthy  
discussion on the matter of non-  
appearance of the defendant, the  
Court stating that it should be shown  
satisfactorily that no collusion took  
place. Francis Kerr who appeared  
with Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., on be-  
half of the plaintiff, was placed on the  
stand and examined on that point. His  
Honor Judge Crockett pointed out that  
in New Brunswick there was no King's  
Proctor as in some provinces, and that  
it was necessary for him to examine on  
this point.

Judgment was reserved until the  
next term of the court. Adjournment  
was made sine die.

## GEESE HELD UP A TRAIN

Providence, R. I., Dec. 16.—A large  
flock of wild geese which flew into  
telegraph and telephone wires and de-  
moralized its signals system held up  
traffic on the Pascoag branch line  
railroad for several hours late yester-  
day. The flock was volplaning into a  
pond near the railway tracks when it  
came in contact with the wires, break-  
ing them and throwing them against  
high voltage power wires. Switches  
and fuses on telephone and telegraph  
instruments along the entire line were  
burned out.

Several geese were decapitated or  
winded by the wires and will provide  
Christmas dinners for many Pascoag  
residents.

**Skips Were Elected**  
At the Curling Rink last night skips  
were elected for the Managing Com-  
mittee series of matches which will  
be played during the winter. Those  
selected are H. R. Babbitt, T. A. Bel-  
more, Dr. H. V. B. Bridges, H. B.  
Colwell, N. Dougherty, H. E. Fowler,  
T. L. Fowler, H. H. Hagerman, E. P.  
Hatt, W. Limerick, L. C. Macnutt,  
John Neill, J. E. Page, A. A. Shute, S.  
D. Simmons, G. A. Taylor, R. B. Van  
Dine, T. A. Wilson, J. B. Kinghorn, F.  
G. VanWart. An invitation to send  
rinks to a bonspiel to be held in St.  
John was received from the Commer-  
cial Club of that city. The matter was  
placed in the hands of a committee  
composed of President John Neill, W.  
Limerick and H. H. Hagerman.

**Late John D. McPherson**  
The funeral of the late John D. Mc-  
Pherson took place today from his  
late residence at Oromocto. Rev. Mr.  
Gosselin conducted the service and in-  
terment was made at the Church of  
England Cemetery.

B. C. Borden, D. D., D.C.L., President  
Hon. J. Wood, Treasurer, Dr. J. M.  
Palmer, Secretary, Sackville; J. T. Bur-  
chell, Sydney; Rev. Robert Fulton,  
Halifax; R. D. Hanson, Fredericton;  
Justice Jonah, Sussex; George Kilham,  
Yarmouth; H. P. Robinson, Saint John  
W. B. Snowball, Chatham; R. C. Tait,  
Shediac; J. T. Wilson, Halifax; H. M.  
Wood, Sackville; Rev. J. W. McCon-  
nell, Halifax, and A. S. Roger, B. D.,  
Amherst.

## UNFAIR ATTITUDE TO THE MANUFACTURERS

**The Companies Regard the In-  
junction as Temporary and  
Will Make a Further Legal  
Battle—British Aircraft are  
Generally Considered to be  
Best in the World.**

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London, Dec. 16.—The action of the  
American courts in excluding a big  
shipment of British airplanes planned  
by the Aircraft Disposal Company, and  
the Handley Page Co., is being protest-  
ed here as an unfair attitude by the  
manufacturers. The companies intend  
to make a further legal battle as it is  
believed the present injunction is only  
temporary.

"I am not worrying," said Handley  
Page, head of both companies. "Even  
if they are right and the corporations  
should succeed when the real action  
is heard they will have done them-  
selves no good. It is a very short-  
sighted policy to oppose the distribu-  
tion in America of the best aircraft in  
the world. They have practically no  
soundly designed machines which  
might encourage business men in avi-  
ation and their complaints that British  
machines infringe their patents seems  
unfair when you consider that during  
the war British manufacturers sent  
all their designs and blueprints to Am-  
erican makers and that no royalties  
were paid.

## FILMING THE OLD AGE CURE

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by Cross Atlantic News Service.

Vienna, Dec. 16.—An interesting new  
film is to be taken by the official Film  
Department of the Austrian govern-  
ment a semi-propagandist office, for  
giving greater publicity to all things  
Austrian.

The rejuvenation process discovered  
by Professor Steinbach, of Vienna Uni-  
versity is to be replaced on a film  
record, showing the various experi-  
ments made by Professor Steinbach,  
his methods, his apparatus, and the  
results obtained by him on senile ani-  
mals and human beings.

Professor Steinbach has agreed to  
place all his material at the disposal  
of the Film department. Considerable  
technical demands will be made on the  
Film Department, owing to the large  
amount of microscopic work involved  
in the initial research. The depart-  
ment, however, has already had ex-  
perience of similar films, having re-  
cently produced one on gynecology,  
the first of its kind, before the Medi-  
cal Society of Vienna.

## STOCK MARKET QUOTATIONS

New York.	
American Wool .....	61½
Atchison .....	79½
Baltimore & Ohio .....	32½
C. P. R. ....	112½
General Motors .....	13½
Great Northern pfd. ....	73
Industrial Alcohol .....	65½
Marine pfd. ....	48½
Mexican Pete .....	163
New York Central .....	68½
Rubber .....	62½
Studebaker .....	40
Southern Railway .....	20½
Texas Oil .....	42½
U. S. Steel .....	78½
Sterling, 349.	
N. Y. Exchange 16½.	
Montreal.	
Brazilian .....	44½
Brompton Pulp .....	54
Dom. Iron and Steel .....	44½
Montreal Power .....	78
International Breweries .....	47½
Ships common .....	43
Sugar .....	20
Steel of Canada common .....	60
Victory Bonds, 1937 .....	97½
" " 1933 .....	95½
" " 1923 .....	97½
" " 1922 .....	97½
" " 1934 .....	93
" " 1924 .....	95