

# VISCOUNT CECIL IS OPTIMISTIC

## PLANNING A CONQUEST OF NORTH POLE

Expedition to Start Towards the End of June.

### ICE SLEDS TO BE USED

Also Light Hydroplanes With Flexible Wings.

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

Paris, May 26—France now plans conquest of the Polar zone.

Lieutenant Darcis, chief of the French Polar expedition, told the United Press today that he planned to leave Dunkirk at the end of June aboard an icebreaker, journey to Bergen and thence to Spitzbergen, there to establish a base at the edge of the ice fields.

"We hope to cover the 600 miles to the pole by automobile sleds specially constructed for this journey and capable of carrying gasoline, food and supplies for a 3,000 mile trip," he said. "We shall also use light hydroplanes with flexible wings which will be carried on the sleds."

"We shall not use these planes in the dash to the pole but shall utilize them later in a journey to Point Barrow Alaska."

## ORDINATION AT CATHEDRAL NEXT SUNDAY

Four to be Ordained Priests and Three Deacons—Latter All From King's College.

At Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday next an ordination will take place at which four candidates will be admitted to the priesthood and three to the diaconate. The candidates will be ordained by His Lordship the Bishop of Fredericton. The ordination will take place at the morning service and Rev. N. R. Fairweather, of St. Mary's parish church, Devon, will preach the ordination sermon.

The candidates for the priesthood are as follows:

Gilbert F. Edsforth, of Minto; Geo. W. Moore, assistant at St. Luke's church, Saint John; F. G. Hall, of Grand Falls, and W. J. Clark, of Plaster Rock. All have been in charge as deacons at the places named.

Mr. Moore is a native of Ontario. The others are natives of England. Mr. Edsforth has resided in Canada since boyhood, but Messrs. Hall and Clark came from England about twelve months ago.

The candidates for admission as deacons are all from King's College; they are G. LeRoi Moores, of Woodstock; Arthur Selwyn Coster, of Saint John West, and Todd G. Bennett, of Stanley.

Mr. Moores was a staff sergeant with the 236th MacLean Highlanders in this city during the war, and saw overseas service.

## BRIAND MAY MARRY WIDOW

London, May 26—The Daily Express publishes a dispatch from its Paris correspondent containing the unconfirmed report that Premier Aristide Briand is engaged to marry Madame Pourdan, a beautiful and wealthy widow.

## OWNERSHIP OF THE POLE MAY BE DECIDED

Uncle Sam May Collect Duty on Byrd Films.

### PATHE PEOPLE WILL OBJECT

Will Claim That Films Were Made on American Soil.

(Special to the DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

New York, May 26—The first official ruling as to who owns the North Pole may result from a \$12 tariff charge on some photographic films.

Pathe News producer of a news reel has announced that it is shipping to this country pictures taken by Commander Richard E. Byrd at the North Pole. It has applied for admission of the films duty free, on the ground that they were made on American soil—the North Pole. The company maintains two Americans—Peary and Byrd—have been the first to go to the Pole and that it is American. The duty amounts to only \$12 but the company has indicated that it will be glad to test the matter in the courts merely to see a ruling made.

### Returning Home



PREMIER E. N. RHODES

Halifax, May 25—According to a cablegram received this morning at his office, Premier E. N. Rhodes, of Nova Scotia, who has been in England for some weeks, sailed for home yesterday aboard the Arabic. He is accompanied by Mrs. Rhodes and their daughter.

## AUTO MEN TO CONSIDER TARIFF CHANGES

Toronto, May 25—T. A. Russell, president of the Automotive Industries Association of Canada, today stated that the officers of the association would meet here tomorrow afternoon to consider the effect on the motor car industry of the changes in tariff duties on automobile parts, announced a few days ago.

In addition to the directorate of the Automotive Association, representatives of all the Canadian motor car factories, will take part in tomorrow's conference.

The officials of the three Toronto motor car manufacturing plants of the Dodge, Durant and Overland companies, decline to comment on the effect of the latest tariff changes until after tomorrow's meeting.

## LEAGUE DISARMAMENT COMMISSION ADJOURNS UNTIL NEXT AUTUMN

Time Has Been Given to Two Sub-Committees to Prepare Reports—Commission Has Been Sitting Ten Days—Viscount Cecil is Very Optimistic in Regard to the Work of the Commission.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

GENEVA, May 26—The League of Nations preliminary disarmament commission adjourned today until autumn to permit two technical sub-commissions to prepare their reports. The commission had been in session for ten days, preparing for the projected League of Nations disarmament conference.

No definite date for the autumn meeting was set. At adjournment, Viscount Cecil of England, urged the sub-commissions to take all the time necessary saying their work constituted the basis of the greatest revolution the world had ever undertaken—namely, disarmament.

## SAYS THERE IS NO LAND AT NORTH POLE

Nome, Alaska, May 26—Lincoln Ellsworth, second in command of the Norge expedition, said today: "I now realize that I said something when I remarked that we may have seen rocks." Ellsworth received cablegrams insuring about this statement, which he made Sunday to a correspondent of the Associated Press, and which follows:

"We may have discovered an island or so, but anyway they would not be considered land, but known as rocky pyramids which usually are interferences to navigation. There is plenty of open water at the Pole and numerous leads in ice floes, which, if flying in an airplane, would be deceiving."

Ellsworth said he knew from experience last summer, when he was with an expedition in which Amundsen flew from the Spitzbergen Islands to within 150 miles of the Pole with two planes, that the surface of the Arctic Ocean was illusive when observed from a height. He added the Norge cruised the vicinity of the Pole at an altitude of from 600 to 4000 feet.

He was much interested in a report the Norge when she arrived at Teller carried a ton of ice. "There was no ice on the Norge except on her propellers," he declared.

## A CAT GOT STUCK IN A SALMON CAN

Ottawa, Ont., May 26—A salmon can and a nervous householder caused a hurried call to the police last night. A Perkins street resident was awakened at midnight by an unusual commotion in the kitchen. Fearing burglars, he telephoned the police station. The police responded to the call and found that a cat had fastened her head in a salmon can in an attempt to reach the fish at the bottom. Every effort to free the animal was unsuccessful and finally it had to be shot to put it out of its misery.

### CHESS PLAYER WINS 32 GAMES

Cleveland, May 26—Jose R. Capablanca, world's chess champion, today completed a simultaneous chess exhibition against 33 local chess experts, winning 32 and drawing one game.

## GOVERNMENT IN EGYPT IS FACING DEFEAT

Cairo, Egypt, May 26—The general elections yesterday passed peacefully except at Abutij, Upper Egypt, where a man was killed and seven injured and at Samanoud, Lower Egypt where 44 persons were injured in election riots.

Complete returns will not be made public until Tuesday. It is known, however that coalition candidates, representing the Zaghloulists and Liberal Constitutionists had great success.

The Zaghloulists anticipate a complete victory and the consequent early resignation of the Government of Zivari Pasha.

## BIG DEFICIT ON C. N. R. LINE IN VERMONT

Ottawa, May 25—The Central Vermont Railway, the capital stock of which is largely owned by the National Railways, had a net deficit of \$822,755 in 1925. That is shown in the annual statement of the road tabled in the House. Hon. Mr. Dunning remarked that the operation of the railway was not included in his statement on the C. N. R. The result of the operation of the Central Vermont road in 1925, however, showed an improvement over 1924 of \$74,307. The gross revenue increased \$82,886. The total operating expenses increased \$59,790, chiefly because of the extraordinary expenditure last year on maintenance of ways.

## TRIED TO ADD BOOTLEGGING TO CURRICULUM

Special cable to the Daily Mail by the British United Press.  
Northampton, Mass., May 26—George Henry Smith of Schenectady N. Y., who tried to add bootlegging to curriculum of Amherst College has gone to jail for four months.

Unable to pay a \$95 fine imposed for selling liquor after he had been expelled from school, Smith was sent to the workhouse.

Miss Alice Crowley, who has been spending the winter in Florida returned home yesterday.

## LARGE SUM IS WANTED FOR THE DEPENDANTS

An Appeal in Behalf of Wives and Children of Miners.

### THEIR NEED IS URGENT

A Women's Committee Has Taken Matter in Hand.

(Special cable to the Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

London, May 26—The women's committee for the relief of miners' wives and children has appealed for a \$2,000,000 relief fund. In an appeal cabled abroad, the committee said \$2,000,000 was urgently needed chiefly for food and milk so desirable in the terrible plight of wives and children of the locked-out miners.

## GOVERNMENT HAS SCHEDULE TO CONSIDER

Hydro Extension to Havelock Not Yet Decided—Board of Education May Meet.

The Provincial Government opened its meeting here Tuesday with all members of the cabinet in attendance. Premier Baxter stated last night and at noon today that there had been nothing before the executive except the schedule. The government will sit all day today.

Hon. E. A. Reilly, chairman of the New Brunswick Power Commission said today that no decision had been reached with regard to the application from Havelock for an extension of the hydro system to that place. A report on the matter was being presented to the commission.

The Board of Education is likely to be in session during the Government meeting with much business for consideration.

### MID-WEEK MARKET.

Prices Showed Little Change—Potatoes Offered in Large Quantities.

The mid-week market at Phoenix Square today was well attended. The quantity of potatoes offered was a feature. Prices did not show any great change. They ruled as follows:—  
Potatoes per bbl., \$6 to \$7.  
Veal per lb., 8 to 13 cents.  
Mutton per lb., 8 to 12 cents.  
Fiddleheads per peck, 50 cents.  
Eggs per dozen, 23 to 30 cents.  
Butter per lb., 30 to 35 cents.  
Fowl per lb., 30 cents.  
Fresh gasepeaux per dozen, 25 cents.  
Smoked gasepeaux per dozen, 35 cents.

### Rev. Father Carroll Honored.

Rev. Father Carroll who was curate at St. Dunstan's Church in this city for a period of two years, was presented with a purse of gold and an address at Moncton on the eve of his departure for Chicago to attend the Eucharistic Congress. Rev. Father Carroll lately has been curate at St. Bernard's Church, Moncton.

### Convicted in Court.

Three charges of violation of various traffic bylaws resulted in conviction in the police court today. For driving on the wrong side of a street intersection a fine of five dollars was imposed. For soliciting fares for a public car without having a license a fine of ten dollars. For driving on a sidewalk a fine of five dollars was imposed. All offences were acknowledged.

## PRISONERS RETURNED BY RIFFIANS

Were Delivered Across Line to the French Forces.

### ACTED ON KRIM'S ORDERS

His Peace Orders Were Recently Rejected by France.

(Special cable to the Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

Morocco, May 26—All the French prisoners captured by the Riffian rebels have been delivered across the line to the French forces at Laiguat.

The return of the prisoners was by order of Abd-El-Krim, Riffian leader whose peace overtures were cently rejected by France.

French troops received the returning men with salutes.

## ABIE'S IRISH ROSE IS NOW ON FIFTH YEAR

New York, May 26—"Abie's Irish Rose" has completed its fourth consecutive year in New York, and will start on its fifth year tomorrow. At that time the Anne Nichols comedy will be presented for the 1721st time, which is said to be a record, as it distances its nearest American long run competitors by more than 400 performances. The London production of "Chu Chin Chow," which was presented 2000 times, is the only attraction ever to have been given for more consecutive performances. It is said that about 1,500,000 persons have seen "Abie's Irish Rose" during its New York run.

The play opened at the Fulton Theatre on May 23, 1922, and was moved to the Republic Theatre on July 15 of the same year, where it has been showing ever since.

## RICH GREEKS DISPOSSESSED

Vienna, May 26—A recent census of the vilayet of Constantinople shows the largest city in Turkey has a population of 1,011,165. Of these 682,811 are Turks, 181,188 Greeks, 69,831 Armenians, 57,532 Jews, mostly of Spanish origin.

Lately the Turks do not seem so anxious to expel the Greeks from Constantinople, but they are still dispossessing the wealthier Greeks of their property. Negotiations are still going on with the Greeks for an arrangement for compensation with property confiscated from Turks or Moslems in Greek Thrace. A commission will soon leave Athens for Constantinople to confer with Turkish authorities.

## CONDITION OF MISS BOOTH IS SERIOUS

New York, May 25—The condition of Miss Evangeline Booth, commander of the Salvation Army, in the United States, tonight was announced as growing continually worse. She has been suffering from appendicitis for several weeks, her condition becoming so serious a few days ago that it was decided an operation would be dangerous. She is at her home near White Plains, N. Y.