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How Signing of Treaty is Viewed in Great Britain

Renewal of Franco-American Pact Caused Very Little Flutter in Government Circles — Is Looked Upon as a Mere Renewal With the Addition of New Preamble—The Root Treaty to Come up for Renewal Next Spring.

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

London, Feb. 6—The signing today of the Franco-American treaty caused very little flutter in government circles here. The British regard it as a mere renewal of the arbitration treaty with the addition of a new preamble and a few necessary amendments which may be significant, but which in no wise disturb the international situation.

Meanwhile the British are waiting until the Root treaty comes up for renewal in June next, when negotiations similar to those between France and the United States will begin. It is likely that the British treaty will be amended in much the same form as the Franco-American treaty, but whether a preamble will be included is not known at present.

MONCTON MAN MISSING SINCE JANUARY 28

Moncton, Feb. 5—Bismark McKee, 50-year-old painter in the C. N. R. shops here, who left his home on Saturday night, January 28, has not yet been found. His relatives, provincial or city police, city employees, and fellow workmen have not been able to find any trace of him. The city and suburbs have been searched and the radio has also been used in an effort to locate the missing man, but all without avail. His mysterious disappearance has utterly baffled his relatives and friends, as he was a man of very regular habits.

The theory advanced during last week that he might have gone away on a trip is dispelled because it has been pointed out that he had only a little money with him.

Rewards totalling \$150 are being offered to any person finding him or supplying information that will lead to his being discovered.

NEW TROPICAL FRUIT BEING GROWN IN TEXAS

San Antonio, Feb. 6—Army gardeners at Fort Sam Houston have added papaya, a tropical fruit, to the variety of food crops produced in Texas.

The papaya tree grows to a height of 20 feet the first year, and bears a large, melon-like fruit which tastes somewhat like cantaloupe. Florida has been producing the fruit for some time, but growers say they are unable to raise fruit as large as that at Fort Sam Houston.

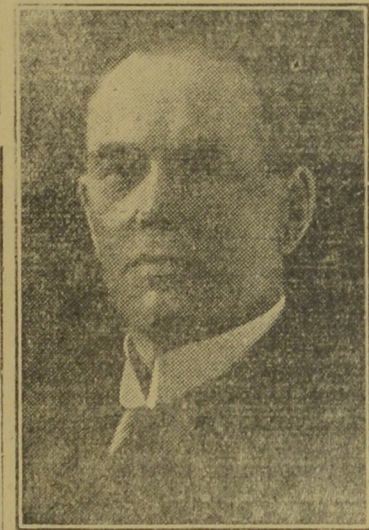
Papaya trees at the fort suffered damage in the New Year's cold wave, but the newest tree will produce next fall. They are in greenhouses, being started much like tomato plants, but be planted outdoors as soon as weather permits.

DIED IN SEWER.

Quebec, Que., Feb. 5—Ernest Bernard, 40, Quebec City employe, who was carried three-quarters of a mile through city sewers when he fell into a manhole while shovelling snow, died in hospital tonight. Every effort had been made to save his life but he had weakened daily since January 18, when the accident occurred.

FISHERMEN ADRIFT ON LAKE ERIE

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)
Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 6—At least ten men today were believed floating on a field of ice that broke from shore and was swept out on Lake Erie. The men were fishing off Windmill Point Ont. and according to reports from the Canadian border the ice chunk was separated from the mainland and the men were unable to reach safety. Twenty-five coast guard men today are patrolling the shore in an effort to locate the missing men.



SIR HERBERT HOLT.

Who is Identified With the Reorganization of Besco.

B. C. FARMER SHOT DEAD BY HIS SON

Rolla, B. C., Feb. 5—Shot through the heart by his own son, Friday night, a farmer here, named Packer, is dead. The son, Lee F. Packer, aged 25, told neighbors that his father had been beating his mother. The mother escaped and fled across the farmyard with the father in pursuit. Seizing a loaded shot gun, the son ran out, shooting his father at close range, directly under the heart.

Packer staggered into the house collapsed, and died shortly after, according to the young man's story.

Icy Walks contribute toward forced landings.

FLOOD DAMAGE IN VERMONT HAS BEEN REPAIRED

The Achievement Celebrated by Gatherings All Along the Railway Line.

Montpelier, Vt., Feb. 5—The State of Vermont, in gatherings all along the railroad line, yesterday celebrated its achievement in overcoming the difficulties brought about by the floods of November 3, 1927, when the first train that many of the towns had seen since that date passed through the state.

Governor John E. Weeks, in a civic reception tendered the railway party at Montpelier, the state capital, paid tribute to the people for their work in restoration.

To the worker with his pick and shovel, the telegraph and telephone linemen, the railway construction men and officials of highway and railroads, the thanks of the people of Vermont was due, said the governor. On behalf of the state, he thanked the people of Canada and the Canadian National Railways for the efficient help they had received. Engines, cranes, work crews and money had been rushed down to their assistance immediately and the difficult task of reconstruction had been quickly started.

Common loss and common suffering had bound the state together more firmly. John W. Redmond, receiver of the Central Vermont Railway, said.

Thornton Speaks.

International co-operation in relieving the suffering caused by last fall's disaster was a much finer thing than competition in navy building, said Sir Henry Thornton. It was a fine example to the people of Canada, the United States and the wide world. He was proud to be associated with a people so "splendidly courageous" as the Vermonters had shown themselves to be. Sir Henry congratulated the United States army on the relief work it had done.

The tour over the reconstructed lines was arranged by the Vermont Chamber of Commerce. At every stopping place, including Essex Junction, North Field, Bethel and White River Junction, were assembled cheering crowds. Short speeches were made.

Traces of Floods.

The damage caused by the floods was impressed upon the travelers in viewing what traces still remained. At one point a heavy railroad bridge had been torn from its supports and hurled 40 feet away. Acre after acre of land was covered with silt without a trace of sod remaining. Immense trees had been badly uprooted and thrown aside, while the temporary homes to be seen in the valleys were mute evidences of the suffering.

No heavy trains will be operated through Vermont until spring when milder weather will permit proper ballasting of the railroad lines.

SPUD PRICES ARE STRONGER IN AROOSTOOK

Presque Isle, Me., Feb. 5—Aroostook potato prices hit the \$2.65 mark here Saturday, the highest mark of the season, buyers offering from \$2.50 to \$2.65 for wagon lots at loading stations, reporting the market showing a good demand. Offerings were light, however, growers evidently expecting still higher prices. The coming week may show more interest. Shipments are holding from 175 to 200 carloads a day.

BOSTON POLICE IN SEARCH FOR A FIRE BUG

South Baptist Church Destroyed with a Loss of \$150,000.

R. C. CHURCH DAMAGED

Another Boston Church Was Damaged a Few Weeks Ago.

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

Boston Feb. 6—State and city investigators sought a "Fire Bug" today as the man who set fire to two Boston churches.

An incendiaries torch which believed responsible for the fire which swept the South Baptist church at an estimated loss of \$150,000 and that which caused loss and serious damage to St. Eulalie's Catholic church.

It was recalled that St. Augustine's church, South Boston was damaged by fire of undetermined origin a few weeks ago and authorities were inclined to believe that the same incendiary was responsible in each case.

THOUSANDS VIEW COFFIN OF EARL HAIG

Edinburgh, Feb. 5—Among his own people, Douglas Earl Haig rested tonight with tokens of Scotsmen's love about him.

Men and women by thousands, who had known him as a man rather than as field marshal, came through snow and bleak winds to view his flag-wrapped coffin where it lay in St. Giles' Cathedral after being brought from London. All day long, a column of quiet folk streamed through the church, laying paper poppies and simple flowers near the great soldiers' insignia of rank.

The cathedral will again receive thousands Monday, of those who come to mourn and pay reverence to the man who headed the British army in France. Tuesday morning, after a private service at St. Giles' for relatives, the body will be taken by special train to St. Boswells and then an escort of employees from the marshal's own estate will carry their master on a farm cart on the five mile journey to Dryburgh Abbey for burial.

U. S. WILLING TO PROHIBIT USE OF SUBS

Washington, Feb. 5—Frank B. Kellogg, Secretary of State, has advised the House Foreign Affairs Committee that the United States government would be "willing to sign a treaty with all the Powers of the world prohibiting the use of submarines entirely."

The head of the State Department disclosed this position in a letter to Chairman Porter of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, which yesterday discussed at some length the Frothingham resolution proposing the abolition of the undersea craft.

The secretary emphasized however that while the Washington government was ready to sign such an agreement, it would be impossible for any country to abolish submarines and leave other nations free to operate and build them. The resolution, which the secretary endorsed, would provide that the United States "continue to use efforts to bring about the discontinuance of this type of vessel."

Washington, Feb. 5—Secretary of State Frank B. Kellogg, left at noon today for Ottawa on an official three day visit to the Canadian capital. He is expected back here Friday.

Large Sum Paid Out As Compensation to the Owners of Live Stock

Alarming Spread of Foot and Mouth Disease in Great Britain—\$25,000,000 Paid to Owners of Cattle, Sheep and Pigs in Six Years—A Cure Said to Have Been Found.

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

London, Feb. 6—In the past six years the government has paid \$25,000,000 in compensation to owners whose cattle have been destroyed because they were affected with the hoof and mouth disease. Figures published yesterday showed 321,000 cattle, sheep and pigs were killed. The alarming spread of the disease has resulted in increasing agitation that a cure be found. It was asserted today that a British veterinary expert and a Danish Professor, M. Vendel, working independently had discovered a cure which not only prevents spread of the infection but restores sick animals to health.

WESTERNERS WANT TARIFF REDUCTION

The Budget May be Brought Down in the House Earlier Than Was Expected.

Ottawa, Feb. 4—There are signs of unwonted activity in official circles which have to do with the budget, and that it may come earlier than expected is a view commonly expressed. The Tariff Advisory Board has concluded its hearings, and for more than a month Hon. J. A. Robb has been calling in conference W. H. Moore, head of the Advisory Board. The report is that the work is quite far advanced, although as yet it has not been a subject of serious discussion in the Cabinet.

Perhaps the most significant thing of last week was the number of Western Liberal members who have been speaking in the debate on the address and urging that attention be paid to the tariff, and a revision effect downward. On occasions U. F. A. members have been heard in the same respect. They do not propose any revolutionary reversal of the prevailing policy, but a fairly general treatment of the tariff, especially on commodities which are necessities of life. On these a reduction is sought.

In hearings before the Tariff Board higher tariffs were resisted and reductions sought on behalf of the Consumers' League, and it has been a subject of criticism that the organization is more or less indefinite. Within the past week some members of the House have had meetings as members of the league, and it is quite clear that they are following up intensively the activities of their representative before the Tariff Board.

GOVERNOR OF RHODE ISLAND PASSES AWAY

Woonsocket, R. I., Feb. 5—Governor A. J. Pothier, of Rhode Island, died at his home here last night. He was stricken with a shock and failed to rally.

Governor Pothier was the first man of French-Canadian birth to become the chief executive of one of the states. Elected seven times to the office, he served continuously from 1909 to 1915 and from 1925 until his death.

Outside of politics, his personal activities were in banking. He came to Woonsocket at the age of 18 from the province of Quebec, where he was born on July 28, 1854.

JOUDRY BLOCK CAMPBELLTON WAS BURNED

A Serious Fire Visited North Shore Town Early Sunday Morn-

Campbellton, Feb. 5—Fire which broke out here early this morning caused a loss of approximately \$6,000 when the Joudry block in Minto street was completely destroyed. The large brick structure housed two stores, the gymnasium of a local organization, two private flats and a hall on the second floor used by the Knights of Columbus. The fire brigade were fourteen hours on duty and Fire Chief A. E. O'Donnell is keeping a detachment on the scene tonight to provide against a further outbreak of the blaze.

Next to the owner of the building, H. R. Humphrey, jeweller, and Oliver Dewar, grocer, will be the heaviest losers. The fire occurred shortly after 6 o'clock this morning and in the bitter cold of 15 degrees below zero the local fire brigade rushed to the scene. The blaze evidently originated in the basement of the Dewar store and spread rapidly throughout the building.

Flames Confined

A strong wind blew and as windows broke from the heat the flames were given a fresh impetus. Only the prompt and effective work of the firemen kept the flames confined to the one building and lessened the danger to numerous houses in the immediate vicinity. The fire had made rapid progress in its early stages, however, and the firemen, their coats covered with ice in the bitter cold, could merely keep the flames within the limits of the brick enclosure, which was a veritable roaring furnace.

Little was saved from the stores in the ruined building. The structure, which is of two storeys, is completely gutted. The loss of the owner of the building and that of the different tenants is partly covered by insurance. The exact cause of the blaze is unknown.

GOOD INCOME AVAILABLE TO A SPEEDER

London, Feb. 6—An income of \$5,000 a year as long as he remains unbeaten was offered today to the motorist who breaks the 203-mile an hour speed record, made by Major H. O. D. Seagrave.

Sir Charles Wakefield motor enthusiast and oil manufacturer, made the offer. Sir Charles also offered a \$5,000 gold trophy for breaking Seagrave's record.