

Great Britain May Have A Minister at Ottawa

No Decision Will be Reached Until After Col. Amery Has Discussed the Matter With Premier King—Change Regarded as Inevitable in London Circles—Scots to Form National Parliamentary Party.

(By Herbert Bailey, British United Press Staff Correspondent)

London, Jan. 12—Although no decision as to whether or not Great Britain should appoint a high commissioner or a similar envoy at Ottawa can be made until Lieutenant Colonel L. C. Amery secretary of state for Dominion Affairs has discussed the matter with Premier Mackenzie King and the British Government has had an opportunity to pass judgment, the tendency in home circles here is to regard the change as inevitable.

Scottish Self Government

It has been decided to form a Scottish National parliamentary party to fight the next election on behalf of self government in Scotland. According to the Manchester Guardian today a conference will be held next month to draft the constitution of the party.

Financial assistance already has been promised, and the aim of the party will be to make Scottish independence the chief issue in the next election. The party will be independent and will have no connection with other political unions.

THE ROYAL BANK OFFERS A \$1,000 FELLOWSHIP

Important Announcement Made by General Manager Neill at a Meeting Today.

(Special to The Daily Mail.)

Montreal, Jan. 12—In the course of his speech to the shareholders at the annual meeting of the Royal Bank this morning Mr. C. E. Neill, the general manager, announced that the Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Dr. Adam Short, and Dr. Oscar D. Skelton will be the judges in the Royal Bank Economic Fellowship competition. He said in part:

"In order to stimulate general interest in problems of national importance and to encourage advanced study along economic lines in Canadian universities, we have offered a \$1,000 Fellowship to the student at any Canadian university who shall prepare the best 3,000-word paper covering one of the topics specified. The subjects selected for the papers which are to be submitted March 1, 1928, are as follows:

Does Canada need a Federal Farm Loan System? A study of Dr. Tory's report and Federal Legislation.

Canada's optimum of population and how it may be obtained. In this context the word optimum may be defined to mean the ideal number of people of the type which will be most satisfactory for the building of the nation.

The potential development of Canadian trade in one of Canada's foreign markets.

Economic possibilities of the Maritimes. A study of the Duncan report.

FLOODS ARE THREATENED

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

Berlin, Jan. 12—Flood fears were felt today as the Elbe and tributaries started rising. Fear was expressed that the tower district of Hamburg would be flooded if the rivers continued their rises.

HIS MAJESTY WILL RECEIVE CANADIANS

Will Greet Farmers' Party at Buckingham Palace on Saturday February 4th.

(Special to The Daily Mail)

Montreal, Jan. 11—That His Majesty the King will receive the Canadian Farmers' Party on tour was the effect of a cable received today at headquarters of the Canadian National Railways. This group of farmers from all provinces is now on the high seas. It was organized through the department of colonization and agriculture of the National System with the cooperation of the White Star Line for the purpose of making a survey of Agricultural marketing systems in Great Britain and Denmark. H. R. H. the Prince of Wales had previously announced his intention of receiving the Canadians who will also have the benefit of meeting technical advisors of the Ministry of Agriculture. His Majesty will receive the Canadian Farmers' Party at Buckingham Palace at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of Saturday February 4.

URGES BIG EXPENDITURE ON U. S. NAVY

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

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12—Secretary of Navy Wilbur urged today a twenty year navy building and replacement programme to cost \$3,260,000,000.

At the end of this twenty year programme the navy should embark on another twenty year program to keep the navy up to required strength, Wilbur told the House naval affairs committee. He had appeared to answer detailed inquiries regarding the proposed immediate \$800,000,000 five year building program.

MRS. SNYDER GETS STAY OF EXECUTION

New York, Jan. 11—A stay of execution of the death sentence of Mrs. Ruth Snyder, scheduled to die tomorrow night with Judd Gray for the murder of her husband, was granted tonight by Supreme Court Justice Levy. Warden Lawes was ordered to appear before the justice on Jan. 13 to show cause why execution should not be stayed pending trial of an insurance suit.

The insurance suit upon which the stay was granted is an action brought by the Prudential Life Insurance Company to avoid payment of \$97,000 insurance on the life of Albert Snyder victim of the murder for which his wife was condemned to death.

The company claims that the policies were obtained by Mrs. Snyder by fraud and without the knowledge of the insured. A suit brought in behalf of Lorraine Snyder to compel payment of the insurance has been held up pending the outcome of the Prudential suit.

Hockey Team Here

The Moncton Hockey squad, together with their Manager W. Keiver are registered at the Barker House today.

WAS LAST GREAT WRITER OF THE VICTORIAN ERA

Thomas Hardy Succumbs to an Attack of Heart Failure.

**MAY BE BURIED
IN THE ABBEY**

**Famous Writer Passed
Away at His Home
Near Dorchester**

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

Dorchester, Eng., Jan. 12—The last of the great Victorian era of writers was removed from the world through the death last night of Thomas Hardy.

The famous writer died at his home just outside Dorchester, a home he had planned years ago and where most of his works had been done after a several weeks illness. His death was attributed to heart disease although he had been suffering of a chill since before the Christmas holidays. Funeral arrangements have not been completed owing to the question of whether burial will be in Westminster Abbey.

OFFICERS OF THE K. OF P. WERE INSTALLED

**Big Time at Castle Hall
Last Evening—An
Address by F. C.
Squires, M.L.A.**

The Knights of Pythias held their semi-annual installation of officers last night at Castle Hall in York street. The officers were installed by Grand Vice Chancellor E. C. Atkinson M. L. A. assisted by Acting Grand Prelate, W. B. Burden and Acting Grand Master at Arms Geo. L. Haviland. After the installation of officers the Knights listened to a splendid address given by Brother F. C. Squires, M. L. A. of Woodstock. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Following were the officers installed:—

V. C.—J. B. Hawthorne.
V. C.—L. C. Box.
Prelate—L. J. Simpson.
K. of R. and S.—G. R. Foster.
M. of F.—A. B. Belyea.
M. of E.—G. Todd.
M. of W.—Gordon Rossborough.
M. at A.—Oliver Coates.
I. G.—W. A. Lindsay.
O. G.—Thos. Chapman.

THE PARIS COURT RULES JAZZ IS NOT NECESSITY

Paris, Jan. 12—The jazz age recently got called to order by the courts.

Instrumental noise and boisterous frivolity were held to be a necessary part of modern life by lower courts in a test case to oust "The Bull of the Roof," one of the well known downtown cabarets. The Court of Appeals, less sympathetic, with after-war manners, gave the place fifteen days to vacate and condemned it to pay damages for disturbing neighbors.

"Even the most respectable places," said the lower court in justifying the jazz practices, "have been compelled by changing modes of life to satisfy the demands of the customers from the musical and choreographic point of view."

This decision, however, has been reversed and many suits are threatened to oust noisy night-life paces.

Marriage of a Seattle Girl to Ex-Maharajah Is not Yet Assured

Doubts Expressed in Hindu Circles as to Miss Miller's Ability to Undergo the Arduous Religious Ceremony—Prospective Bride Being Urged by Her Aunt to Reconsider.

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

Calcutta, Jan. 12—A fresh obstacle arose today to the union of the former Maharajah of Indor and his American fiancée Miss Nancy Ann Miller, of Seattle, Washington.

Hindu religious circles questioned seriously whether the American girl, unused to eastern customs, would be able successfully to undergo the arduous religious rites necessary in the wedding ceremony. The rites would last three days.

Urged to Reconsider

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 12—Miss Nancy Ann Miller of Seattle, Wash., has been urged by her aunt, Mrs. Mary Caulfield of this city to reconsider her coming marriage to the former Maharajah of Indor "for the sake of herself and her dead father", Mrs. Caulfield said today.

"She can't love a man like this", Mrs. Caulfield said. "He must have cast a spell over her or else she has lost her mind over him."

DUNNING AND THORNTON IN CONFERENCE

**Will Discuss Matters
Pertaining to the Canadian National Railway System.**

(Special to the Daily Mail)

Montreal, Jan. 11—The Hon. C. A. Dunning, Minister of Railways and Canada will be in Montreal tomorrow and will spend the day in conference with Sir Henry Thornton, chairman and president of the Canadian National Railways on matters pertaining to the national system. The annual meeting of the Canadian National system committee also opens on Thursday at which time the members of this committee from the various departments and the various points on the system will discuss matters for the improvement of traffic operation equipment and other details during the year to come. The committee members will assemble at a dinner at the Windsor Hotel Thursday night and at this dinner will be addressed by Sir Henry Thornton. The Hon. Mr. Dunning will be the guest of Sir Henry at this dinner.

REJECTS SALARY RISE THRICE IN THREE YEARS

Pontypool, Wales, Jan. 12—Pontypool's hero, not of the hour, but for a good long time to come, is Thomas Haden, town clerk, who said he would not accept a raise in salary, and stuck to it. The increase was handed him on a platter, but he refused point blank.

Mr. Haden, who is seventy-five years old, in declining, expressed his appreciation of the honor done him by the Town Council in increasing his salary £1 weekly, but said that he would not have it in view of existing conditions in the South Wales coal fields, where there are 80,000 men out of work. This is the third time within as many years that Mr. Haden has said "no" to salary increase proposals.

LITTLE GIRL MET DEATH; SIX INJURED

**Were Trapped on Third
Floor of a Burning
Building at German-
town, Pa.**

Philadelphia, Jan. 11—Trapped on the third floor of the Germantown community centre, when fire swept through the building late today, 8-year-old Francis Pifano was burned to death and six other small children were burned so severely they may not recover. The fire started from an undetermined cause in the hallway leading to the floors occupied by the community centre, where children between the ages of 6 and 14 are taught handicraft.

Approximately 100 children, mostly girls, were caught in the rooms when flames and smoke surrounded them. They were trapped, firemen said, when they tried to escape by an open-air porch, which was enclosed by a wire mesh, on the third floor.

Frantic parents, struggled and screamed in the street below as firemen and volunteers ran up the ladders and carried the panic stricken children to safety, after cutting their way to the porch where many of the little ones sought to escape. Those not carried out by firemen were conducted down outside fire escapes by the sisters in charge and volunteers.

A youth named Belmont proved a hero and saved many lives. He made trip after trip into the building through the blazing hall and later by way of fire escape, each time carrying out a child too dazed to find safety alone.

Miss Anna and Miss May McMurtree, the sisters in charge, who aided in the rescue, collapsed soon after their last trip into the building, but were revived after being taken to their home.

COXEY HEARD FROM.

Chicago, Jan. 12—"General" Jacob S. Coxey, who led 3500 men into Washington demanding work, 34 years ago, couldn't even get Chicago hobo to march in the loop. "The modern hobo is decidedly lacking in ambition," he said.