

Flu Epidemic in U.S. and England in Trail of Mild Winter

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Weather: Strong winds, decreasing tonight; fair and cold on Thursday.

CONCILIATORY REPLIES EXPECTED TO PROPOSALS TO BAN FOREIGN VOLUNTEERS TO SPAIN

Says Municipal Administration Should Be Reorganized

Minister of Federal Affairs Finds Need of Municipal Lists

Neglected by Previous Administration

Department Has No Official Knowledge of Municipal Units

"Although legislation has been of the Statute books of New Brunswick for many years affecting the internal management of the various municipalities of the Province, it came as a great shock to me that absolutely no provision had been made for the administration of these statutes by Provincial authority," said Hon. A. P. Paterson, Minister, in a statement issued today. "It is an astounding fact," he added, "that officials of the new Department, after exploring the situation, find that the records did not provide even a basic list of the incorporated municipalities within the Province. In other words, not only has municipal administration been neglected by previous administrations, but in order to develop organization, we must start by finding out the names of the municipal units that come within the Department's jurisdiction."

"Officially, the Department has no knowledge of municipal units. Naturally, we know the county division, we assume the three cities—Saint John, Fredericton and Moncton—but we do not know the incorporated towns and villages and the particulars concerning their incorporation. The only record it is possible to find is in such instances where municipalities have issued debentures. Otherwise, they would not appear in any Provincial record as municipal units, except in their charter of incorporation."

"I am citing this fact to indicate the obstacles with which we must contend in order to bring a degree of

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INCOME TAX CUT SUBJECT TREATY BY CANADA, U. S.

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—An agreement to reduce heavily the tax charges on incomes derived from United States securities by Canadian individuals and corporations, non-resident of that country, was signed in Washington today by Sir Herbert Markle, Canadian Minister to the United States and Secretary of State Cordell Hull.

This convention, a reciprocal agreement, will be offered for ratification at the forthcoming sessions of the Dominion Parliament and the United States Senate and will be retroactive to cover incomes for 1936.

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Home Office Preparing Citizens For Gas Attacks

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The Home Office in England is making arrangements for the instruction of its citizens in regard to their protection in a case of gas attacks.

They have now on hand at their store house thirty million respirators. A factory which is being built at Blackburn and will soon be completed will turn out one half a million gas masks per week.

SNOWLESS WINTER AND MILD WEATHER BRING AN EPIDEMIC IN THEIR TRAIL

Many Deaths in New York --- People Warned to Keep Away From Crowds

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Influenza and pneumonia claimed an increasing number of new victims in Greater New York today despite denials of health officials the metropolis is in the grip of an epidemic.

The report for the past 24 hours showed 271 new cases of flu and 227 of pneumonia. There were 11 flu deaths and 92 from pneumonia.

These figures compared with 302 cases of flu and six deaths; 144 cases of pneumonia and 25 deaths for the preceding 48-hour period.

Naval authorities, indicating concern lest influenza, widespread in England, strike hard within the fleet, issued a warning to sailors on shore leave to avoid crowds.

The disease has spread more rapidly than any which has hit England in recent years, becoming general within two weeks. Thus far it has caused comparatively few deaths.

Of the 24,000 government postal workers, 5,000 have reported themselves ill in the last week. Some hospitals have been hard pressed because of the large number of cases.

As some physicians asserted they expected the peak to be reached within a few days, the Duchess of Kent

announced her 11-day-old daughter would be kept indoors until the danger had passed.

Unseasonably warm weather, which medical sources said apparently was responsible for the wave of illness, continued throughout the Continent as well as in England. Except for Switzerland and the Austrian Tyrol, there has been no severe winter.

Arab High Commission Decide to Meet the Royal Commission

(Special to The Daily Mail)

PALESTINE, Jan. 6.—The Arab High Commission have decided to give evidence to the Royal Commission which was appointed to look into affairs in Palestine.

It is understood that a stormy session in the Arab Commission took place before it was decided to meet the Royal Commission.

The date has not yet been set but the Royal Commission who were to leave for England on January 1st have decided to stay over.

"Poor Confederation"

THE Ottawa Journal published an editorial in its issue of December 29th under the caption "Poor Confederation" which will strike New Brunswick readers as being silly and assinine, but at the same time it reflects quite truthfully the conception that the people of Central Canada seem to have concerning the Confederation of British North American Provinces.

In the course of its editorial the Journal said: "Moreover, Hon. Mr. Paterson, New Brunswick's Minister of Education, Federal and Municipal Relations, says it is the intention to teach the history of the province of New Brunswick as a province in the Kingdom," and it adds "New Brunswick is not going to recognize the Confederation."

So there. We've been worrying all the time about what De Valera might do, and all the time, right in our own back room, one of our own was walking right out on Confederation.

But perhaps not right out. At all events, we seem to remember that when New Brunswick's Premier Dymally was here for the National Finance Council meeting (we were proclaiming George VI King at that time) he seemed to be satisfied to string along with us. Indeed, if we're informed rightly, Mr. Dymally was so anxious to string along with us that he was worried about old age pensions and a few other things like that.

"So perhaps the whole thing will blow over. Even Mr. Paterson, we notice, hasn't said anything about our keeping those New Brunswick subsidies."

In its reference to the education policy enunciated by Hon. A. P. Paterson, the Ottawa Journal overlooks the fact that New Brunswick was a province for one hundred and seven years before Confederation. Prior to 1867, New Brunswick was a Province of the United Kingdom and its treaty of alliance with other provinces of British North America has not altered that connection in any way, shape or form. It has been our unfortunate experience in the past that our school books have been brought in from Central Canada and the texts—in history, particularly—convey the impression, to put it mildly, that the Central Provinces constitute Canada and that the Provinces east and west have simply been tacked on. It is unfortunate that the name "Canada", given by Queen Victoria to the Confederation of the British North American Provinces in 1867, had previously been used to designate what are now the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, and the Central Provinces have not been slow to capitalize on the coincidence. Henceforth, our people will know New Brunswick as a free and independent state within the Empire which, for convenience and to promote consolidation of British interests on this continent, entered into a treaty of alliance with other British Provinces in 1867. Our history before that date is our own; since that date partly our own, but largely our own in association with our partners in Confederation.

The Ottawa Journal makes slighting reference to our loyalty to the Crown, disregarding, to serve its own distorted purpose, the many evidences of our firm and stalwart adherence to British institutions. Perhaps the editor might, with profit, reflect upon the attitude of the Government of New Brunswick when other Provinces sought to amend the constitution. There was no doubt then, there was no doubt before, and there has been no doubt since, as to New Brunswick's position within the Empire. And it was undoubtedly due to New Brunswick's firm stand that serious constitutional difficulties did not materialize.

Being a Province of the United Kingdom, New Brunswick was prompt in accepting the new King and conveying its allegiance. What other Provinces chose to do in the circumstances is none of our affair, but certainly we cannot be accused of withholding the full measure of confidence and support which the new monarch should have. By no stretch of imagination can our loyalty to the Crown and our adherence to the Empire and British tradition be open to question.

The amazing mental attitude of the Central Provinces is reflected in the final paragraph, which reads as follows:

"So perhaps the whole thing will blow over. Even Mr. Paterson has not said anything about our keeping those New Brunswick subsidies."

Just who is this mysterious "our" who is assumed to own or control the so-called New Brunswick subsidy? The editor of the Ottawa Journal apparently takes the view that it is a gift from Central Canada or from some mysterious being about whom he is very vague. The word "subsidy" in the first place is a misnomer. When New Brunswick joined with the other provinces in Confederation it passed over to central authority control over duties and excise, which prior to that time were under the control of the Province of New Brunswick within its jurisdiction. The so-called subsidy, in fact, is merely a portion of what was formerly our revenue, passed back to us for the purpose of administering local Government. So this "our" to whom the editor of the Ottawa Journal refers, is simply a myth created to suit the convenience of the Central Provinces.

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CANADIAN FISH TRADE WITH U. S. SHOWS BIG JUMP

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—Sales of Canadian fish and fish products to the United States in the first 11 months of 1936 were \$2,400,000 higher than in the corresponding period of 1935, Hon. J. E. Michaud, Minister of Fisheries, stated today.

This increase, however, had been offset to a large extent by a falling off in business with the United Kingdom. Total export trade with all countries for the 11 months showed a net gain of \$365,500, Mr. Michaud said, the 1936 total being \$23,190,000 against \$22,824,500 in the same period of 1935.

Tariff reductions on fresh and frozen (Continued on Page Four)

Spanish Government Sends Notes to Britain, League of Nations

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MADRID, Jan. 6.—Notes have been sent by the Spanish government to Great Britain, France and the general secretary of the League of Nations.

In its note to France the Spanish government claims that the cargo which is being detained off the German boat Palos, which was held up last week, consisted of celluloid and other raw materials used in the manufacture of explosives.

The note also said that if a Spanish warship or any other ship were to be on hand when a German ship attempted to detain another Spanish ship that there would be trouble. They also say that when the German boat was seized that it was in Spanish waters and that it was impossible for the insurgents to maintain the blockade of the Mediterranean waters without the assistance of German warships.

Great Britain Forwards Notes to Italy and Germany

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, Jan. 6.—Great Britain has forwarded notes to Italy and Germany asking them to reply at once in regard to the landing of volunteers in Spain.

Germany will Protect Merchant Shipping In Mediterranean

Ultimatum is Issued to the Spanish Government From Germany

Volunteers Landed After Halt Request

Britain Sees Prelude to a Negative Answer From Mussolini

(Special to The Daily Mail)

SPENDING AT HIGH PEAK IS HAVANA REPORT

(Special to The Daily Mail)

HAVANA, Cuba, Jan. 6.—Shopkeepers, night clubs, bars and casino started counting their money at 5.30 this evening when the last tender left with cruise passengers for the Empress of Britain. Here for her only visit this season, the Canadian cruise liner landed 450 New Year cruise passengers soon after her arrival at 5 p. m. yesterday.

Hotels, cafe and night club proprietors all reported excellent business. "No such spending by cruise visitors has been seen since 1929," they said. The Empress of Britain weighed anchor at six o'clock. She is due to arrive in New York at 8 a. m. Friday, January eight. Capt. G. R. Parry, R.D., R.N.R., commands the liner. He was last here eleven years ago aboard the Mont Royal.

His Majesty the King Sends Gifts On Epiphany Day

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, Jan. 6.—His Majesty King George VI today sent the usual gifts to St. James Chapel Royal. This is the customary gift of gold myrrh and frankincense from His Majesty to the Chapel on this, the day of Epiphany.

Death of Brother Andre, Miracle Man of St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal, Today

Enoch Welton, Oldest New Brunswick Orangeman, Dies

(Special to The Daily Mail)

NEWCASTLE BRIDGE Jan. 6.—Enoch Welton, aged 94, and the oldest Orangeman in this province, died at his home yesterday. Mr. Welton had the distinction of having 77 years' membership in the Orange Order. He also was a Black Knight.

Born on April 17, 1842, Mr. Welton had been a farmer and lumberman all his life. He was a son of Jonathan Welton, a native of the Annapolis Valley, in Nova Scotia, and Margaret Graham, a native of Edinburgh, Scotland. His wife, who died several years ago, was Susan Howard, Campbellton.

Surviving are four sons, among them Harvey Welton, president of the Welton & Henderson, Ltd., coal mine operators here, who is sole owner as well as of another mine in the district. The other sons are Wood, Dell and Gordon Welton. There are also 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Thursday under auspices of the Orange Order.

GLASGOW, Jan. 5.—Two new ambulances and two trucks will accompany members of the Scottish Ambulance Corps when they return to Spain after passing the holidays here it has been announced.

Noted Piety and Cura- tive Powers Attracted Attention of Whole Continent.

ST. JOSEPH'S ORATORY, Montreal, Jan. 6.—A man of prayer and saintly life, who, in his humble calling as porter in a religious order, became known all over the continent, and even to other parts of the world, has passed to his reward.

Brother Andre, the "Miracle Man of Montreal," died early today. The chronic ailment that had kept the 91-year-old holy man in almost continual pain since childhood took him at 12:59 a. m., while priests and sisters chanted prayers for the dying about his bedside.

He had been seriously ill since the New Year from the acute dyspepsia that had reduced his sustenance to

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Insurgents Take Shipload Potatoes Off Gibraltar

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MADRID, Jan. 6.—The insurgents claim that they have captured a Spanish government ship off the Gibraltar loaded with a cargo of potatoes. They are also detaining a Russian ship in those waters.

SUDBURY REJECTS KIPLING EPITAPH

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—Written specially for a Canadian war memorial, an inscription composed by the late Rudyard Kipling is going begging. When the poet, after having spent many months and rejecting numerous efforts, finally produced a verse that may well be immortal, the Northern Ontario town on whose behalf Kipling's epitaph was sought discarded it in favor of the verse of a local poet.

So far the lines of the great writer have never been used, and they may never be. They are:

"We, giving all, gained all;
Neither lament us nor praise;
Only, in all things recall,
It is fear, not death, that slays."

Those words might have adorned the town war memorial in Sudbury, for it was for that purpose they were exclusively composed.

When the memorial was in process of construction, Capt. Jules J. Ferry, then President of the Sudbury Branch of the Canadian Legion, wrote to Kipling, asking him to compose a suitable inscription.

The poet expressed his willingness to do so, but asked for time, saying that "these things do not come easy."

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