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Weather: Partly cloudy today and
Saturday; probable snow flurries

ADVANCES \$58,000,000 TO DROUGHT AREAS \$27,000,000 WHOLLY ASSURED BY CAN. GOV'T

General Motors Increases Wages, Recognize Unions

Signing of Peace Accord Ends Costliest Strike in
U. S. Automotive History

Cost in Wages to Employees \$44,000,000

All Employees Return to Work Without Discrimination

DETROIT, Feb. 12—The costliest strike in American automotive history ended formally yesterday with the signing here at 11:46 a.m., E.S.T., of a peace agreement between General Motors Corporation and the United Automobile Workers' Union.

The signing occurred as the strike estimated to have cost \$1,000,000 a day in wages alone to General Motors employees, entered its 44th day. Shortly before the agreement was signed, General Motors announced a five-cent hourly wage increase for all its employees effective Feb. 15, estimated to aggregate approximately \$25,000,000 a year.

Terms of Agreement

Under the terms of the agreement: 1. The corporation recognizes the union as the collective bargaining agency for those employees belonging to the union.

The corporation recognizes and will not interfere with the right of its employees to be members of the union. There shall be no discrimination, interference, restraint, or coercion by the corporation or any of its agents against any employee because of membership in the union.

2. The corporation and the union agree to commence collective bargaining negotiations on February 15, with regards to the issues set forth in the letter of Jan. 4 of the union to the corporation.

3. The union agrees to end the present strike and evacuate all plants now occupied by the strikers.

4. The corporation promises to resume operations in all strike-bound or idle plants as rapidly as possible.

5. All employees are to return to work and without discrimination against strikers.

6. The union agrees that pending negotiations there will be no other strikes or interference with production.

7. During existence of the collective bargaining agreement contemplated all opportunities to negotiate shall be exhausted before any other strike or production interference is attempted by the union.

8. After evacuation of plants the corporation agrees to dismiss the injunction proceedings started by the corporation against the union or any members in Flint, Mich.

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DEATH OF FATHER SPORTS WRITER NEWSPAPERMAN

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MONCTON, Feb. 12—The death of Robert Ferguson, father of Elmer W. Ferguson, one of Canada's outstanding sports writers and newspapermen, in Moncton Wednesday night recalled to railwaymen here that he was associated with the building of the first hospital cars ever built in Canada when the first Canadian war casualties commenced returning from overseas during the Great War. At that time, the late Mr. Ferguson was employed as assistant foreman in the Moncton shops of the Canadian Government Railways where the hospital cars were constructed and which served as a model for cars of the same type which were afterwards built.

The late Mr. Ferguson, who was a native of Charlottetown, P. E. I., joined the Intercolonial Railway as a carpenter at Moncton on Nov. 5, 1888 and was continuously employed up to the time when he retired on pension on July, 1928.

Elmer W. Ferguson is expected to arrive in Moncton on the Ocean Limited today from Montreal to attend his father's funeral, which will take place Saturday afternoon. It is expected a large number of railwaymen will also attend the funeral.

British Gov't Offers Planes to Africa at Cost Below Price

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, Feb. 12—The British government has offered a hundred and twenty planes to the South African government at a price much below cost. The South African government intends to buy these planes and to build one hundred more of a similar type. They also intend to appoint a board to investigate all war material on hand or procurable.

Fair Wage Officers

ACCORDING to dispatches from Ottawa today certain Maritime Province members are making demands for a fair wage officer for New Brunswick and Nova Scotia to be appointed under the Federal Department of Labor. This was the statement made in the House of Commons last evening by Hon. Mr. Rogers, Minister of Labor. He announced recently that it was intended to reinforce the department with four Junior Conciliation Officers. Mr. Rogers said that it might be possible to take care of the needs of the Maritime Provinces. W. M. Ryan, M.P. of Saint John, Albert, brought up the question and suggested that if such an officer were appointed the headquarters should be in New Brunswick. At the present time the Maritime Provinces are served by a fair wage officer located at Montreal. R. E. Finn, M.P. Halifax, endorsed the suggestion of Mr. Ryan but wanted the man located in Nova Scotia.

Why a man for the Maritime Provinces should be stationed at Montreal is not apparent. We have plenty of room and plenty of men in the Maritimes. The Maritime Provinces can be well served by Maritime men, stationed in the Maritimes. A man in New Brunswick would be a man in a central location.

In discussing the matter of fair wage officers it would be well for the Federal Government to keep in mind the fact that whilst they have a perfect right to appoint fair wage officers to see that the Dominion Government employees and contractors on Dominion Government jobs give fair wages to those employed, THEY HAVE NO RIGHT TO EXERCISE ANY JURISDICTION OUTSIDE OF THESE DEPARTMENTS.

ACCORDING TO THE RECENT DECISIONS OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL, MATTERS CONNECTED WITH LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL AFFAIRS REST WITH THE PROVINCIAL JURISDICTION AND ANY EFFORT MADE TO ENCROACH ON THE RIGHTS WHICH THIS PROVINCE HAS IN THIS REGARD IS LIABLE TO CAUSE FRICTION AND TROUBLE. WE PRESUME THAT WHEN HON. MR. ROGERS REFERS TO APPOINTING LABOR OFFICIALS IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES THAT HE UNDERSTANDS THIS TO MEAN THAT IT WILL ONLY COVER MATTERS OVER WHICH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAY PROPERLY HAVE JURISDICTION.

New Brunswick has its own fair wage officer appointed by the Provincial Labor Department.

AUTO HORNS AND PLANT WHISTLES HARBINGERS PEACE

Jubilant Strikers March
From Three General
Motors Plants

FLINT, Mich., Feb. 12—Jubilant strikers marched from three General Motors plants late yesterday with all the fanfare of a war-time armistice. Peace had come at last to strike-vexed Flint.

The United Automobile Workers of America, moving swiftly to carry out its part of the strike peace treaty signed at noon in Detroit, submitted the agreement to the "men in the trenches" as soon as leaders could reach this strike capital. The vote for acceptance was unanimous.

Doors of Fisher Plant No. 1, heavily barricaded since Dec. 30 against attacks that never came, swung open in a deafening din of automobile horns and the plant whistle.

General Motors officials, moving just as swiftly to resume production, announced that the plants would reopen Monday.

Two thousand men marched from No. 1 plant, but hundreds of them had gone in during the afternoon. Best estimates were that 900 were (Continued on Page Four)

INSURGENTS CLAIM MORE SUCCESSSES

(Special to The Daily Mail)

SPAIN, Feb. 12—Reports today state that the insurgents claim to be meeting more successes. A government counter attack has been repulsed. Two government battalions have been wiped out, 1,300 having been slain.

The rebels also claim to have successfully repulsed a government attack from University City and that they have shot two French planes fighting for the government. This makes a total of 60 planes shot down by the insurgents.

The insurgents are making a desperate drive towards the seaport of Granada and it is expected that this port will fall in the next few days. This would be a very important port to the rebel army for use in the landing of crews and cargoes.

One thousand Italian troops arrived at Malaga yesterday.

MAX BAER WILL MEET BRITISH CHAMPION

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, Feb. 12—Arrangements have been completed for Max Baer to meet the British champion in the ring in London on May 6th.

ONE ROOM EACH FOR THOUSAND TORONTO HOMES

TORONTO, Feb. 12—Humanitarian members of Parliament like Miss Agnes Macphail have been shocked by a report from the National Employment Commission which shows that several thousand families in Canada are living in one room each. In the city of Toronto 1,811 families—a family is a domestic unit consisting of two or more persons—are residing in one room each and waiting for something to turn up. A little better off are 3,261 Toronto families on direct relief with two rooms each. Comparable conditions exist in the towns and cities throughout Canada, according to the census taken for the Employment Commission. Brantford has (Continued on Page Four)

Germany Appoints An Ambassador to Franco's Government

(Special to The Daily Mail)
SPAIN, Feb. 12—Germany has followed Italy's example and has appointed an Ambassador at Salamanca to General Franco's government. Valencia was shelled from the sea early this morning but the report is that the damage was slight.

Herbert Stanley Is Reappointed Governor-General

(Special to The Daily Mail)
SOUTHERN RHODESIA, Feb. 12—Herbert J. Stanley was re-appointed Governor-General of Southern Rhodesia today. His term of office has been extended another three years by a special grant of His Majesty the King.

VALENTINES AS SENTIMENTAL AS EVER, BUT MODERN YOUTH LIKES FRANKNESS

NEW YORK, Feb. 12—There was a time when girls used to wait for Leap Year to send their valentines; but times have changed. Now an eligible bachelor is likely to receive something like this:

Sir Galahad was quite a lad
And Romeo was not so bad;
But if I could have the two
They simply would not hit the spot—
You see, I'm all for you.

This year's valentine trend appears to be just as sentimental as decades ago, but modern youth is more frank. Missives may sound on first reading rather casual and off-hand, but they convey just as genuine a depth of sentiment as in the days when 'Hymen's bowers' was the rhyme for 'hearts and flowers.'

Today's convincing equivalent of 'my heart's deepest devotion is thine colors'

alone' is likely to be: 'This is an age of keenest competition, but don't you worry! You sure can hold your own!'

Dan Cupid this season goes in for all sorts of four-footed friends, an assortment of birds and a few bumblebees to bring 'honey.'

Supplementing romantic missives, friendship and family affection are notably in evidence this year. Cards dwelling on friendly memories are popular.

For those who cling somewhat to the old traditions, some valentines preserve a touch of lace as a seasonal decoration—but in a strictly modern way. There is real lace in borders and applique designs; lace patterns printed and line-drawn and embossed, and paper-lace gone modernistic in gold and silver and gay colors.

Predicts Potential Wealth for Areas Suffering Drought

Minister of Agriculture Pleads for Bill for Farm
Rehabilitating

Argues Wisdom of Steps to Improve Conditions

Scheme of Water Holes and Dams, Putting Lands
to Best Use

IRREGULARITIES ALLEGED BOSTON STATE HOSPITAL

Governor Hurley Com-
mended for Reorgan-
ization

BOSTON, Feb. 12—State officials and leaders of civic organizations joined yesterday in urging the public welfare committee to favorably report Governor Charles F. Hurley's recommendation for appointment of a special committee to investigate all the institutions under the department of mental diseases.

State auditor Thomas H. Buckley characterized as the "weakest spot in the entire department," the Boston state hospital, whose trustees and several officials resigned following

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URGES MONOPOLIES BE EXAMINED

OTTAWA, Feb. 12—Trading agreements existing within the textile industry were of such a character that the authorities administering the Combines Investigation Act should be informed of them, J. C. McRuer, counsel for the Turgeon textile commission, told the commissioner here today.

He urged evidence relating to those agreements, and alleged monopolies in the manufacture of acetate and viscose yarns, enjoyed respectively by Canadian Celanese of Drummondville, Que., and Courtauld's (Canada) Ltd., of Cornwall, Ont., also be examined.

OTTAWA, Feb. 12—The western drought problem in its historical and economic aspects was outlined to the House of Commons yesterday by Hon. J. G. Gardiner, minister of agriculture, who predicted in 10 years there would be more people in the so-called drought area than there are today.

Mr. Gardiner drew on his experience as a farmer battling drought in both the western states and in Saskatchewan and as a cabinet minister in the Saskatchewan government to show that the open prairie lands were capable of producing great wealth and should not be abandoned.

Some 900,000 people, he said, inhabited the triangular area of 300 municipalities which had suffered from drought in the past five years. These people could not be settled anywhere else in Canada and given the same opportunities they enjoyed where they were.

The minister spoke as the House gave second reading to his bill to amend the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act under which drought-combating measures were initiated two years ago.

So far the Dominion government had advanced \$58,000,000 to maintain the people of the drought area of Saskatchewan and of this sum \$27,000,000 had been assumed wholly by the Dominion. The rest represented debts owing from the province.

The time had come, Mr. Gardiner said, to do something more than keep the people on the land, to take some constructive steps to improve their condition.

Under the drought rehabilitation scheme water holes had been dug and dams constructed. Plans were now under way for shifting some of the farmers to better lands and putting lands to their best use.

A. J. Hunter and F. A. Duff are included among the guests at the Queen Hotel.

D. S. McDougall of Shediac, is registered at the Queen.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Ferguson of Grand Falls, are visitors in the city.

Creator Vimy Ridge Monument Has Placed Canada on the Map of Europe Artistically

PARENTS SENT TO JAIL FOR ILL-TREATMENT

BOURNEMOUTH, Feb. 12—When Richard West, 29, and his wife, 34, were sentenced to hard labor for ill-treating their 3-year-old daughter it was alleged: The child was tied to a chair alone for hours; her mother pushed food down her throat with a finger because she would not eat quickly enough; she was beaten black and blue; the mother had said: 'I wish the child was screwed down.' West drew a three-month sentence and his wife two months.

Mel Crockett of Charlottetown, P. E. I., is a visitor in the city.

Recognition of Allward Compared to Welcome Accorded Movie Stars

OTTAWA, Feb. 12—When Mary Pickford came to Toronto, she was accorded a civil welcome. If Mae West were to visit the Queen City tomorrow she might be mobbed by certain of the populace. That is what cultured folk say. Yet when W. S. Allward, creator of the magnificent Canadian War Memorial on Vimy Ridge, returns to his home town, there is scarcely a corporal's guard to welcome him.

Mr. Allward, according to competent authorities who have visited the great shrines of Europe, has created on Vimy Ridge a noble monument that is not surpassed by the Cenotaph (Continued on Page Four)

MISS MARION DOLPHIN LEADS WINTER SPORTS

(Special to The Daily Mail)

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 12—Participating in Syracuse university's winter carnival, Marion Dolphin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Dolphin of Marysville, won in the two lap dash for women.

Handicapped by lack of snow, only 14 of the 18 scheduled events were run off, Miss Ella Conan, a junior at Syracuse, was named carnival queen.

Miss Dolphin, a freshman in the College of Fine Arts at Syracuse, is majoring in illustration. She is a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority.