LATEST DECISION OF FRANCO-BELGIAN LEADERS INCREASES COMPLICATIONS

A despatch from Dusseldorf says:—An order of the Rhineland High Commission authorizing the sale to Belgium of the cotton receipts, [illegible] the State for [illegible] was promulgated here and through the Ruhr by General Degoutte, as Military Governor of the district, at the same time as it was promulgated in the rest of the Rhineland.

In mentioning this [illegible] for the greater part the [illegible] rather, the French and Belgians have [illegible] taken. It alters the whole situation in the Rhineland, as it [illegible] from the ordinary routine of a [illegible] under the Treaty of Versailles. [illegible] application [illegible] result of the [illegible] recent [illegible] Commission in Paris [illegible] will be [illegible] still [illegible].

One of the first steps from the German side [illegible] of the Rhineland [illegible] at Mayence and the [illegible] The [illegible] Ruhr [illegible] that [illegible] 20 per cent.

[illegible] taken [illegible] including, of [illegible] receipts [illegible] for Bavaria [illegible] for the [illegible] seems now as [illegible] straight ahead as [illegible] the whole [illegible] including the Ruhr, [illegible] justice, collecting taxes, [illegible] if not in cases substituting [illegible] Belgian or a mixed local [illegible] German [illegible]. If separation [illegible] Rhine and from Germany [illegible] then the pre-war [illegible] with all that has gone [illegible] that seems to be in [illegible] dangerous step ahead.

A despatch from Essen says: The French and Belgians began seizure of [illegible] on the Rhine [illegible] number of tugs hauling barges filled with coal were stopped and redirected under French control, to Strasbourg. Prominent industrial says this will simply have the result of bringing coal movements on the Rhine to a standstill. Already, in fact, the supply of coal to Ruhrort has fallen [illegible] 20 per cent.

BRITISH BRIDE FOR PRINCE ALBERT

The engagement announced by the King of his second son, Prince Albert, Duke of York, to Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon, daughter of the Earl of Strathmore, gives general satisfaction because of her British birth. Lady Elizabeth was one of Princess Mary's bridesmaids, and it is said that the romance began at the wedding. She is twenty-two years of age, clever, high-spirited and an accomplished hostess. Her home is Glamis Castle, famed in the story of Macbeth. The Prince is an officer in the flying corps, and was present on Beatty's ship at the Battle of Jutland.

Canada From Coast to Coast

Premier Taschereau

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SCOTCH CURLERS INVADE CANADA

The Scots—Curlers who are [illegible] in Eastern Canada are receiving a warm welcome from [illegible] of the game wherever they go. In the picture are [illegible] Captain of the teams, and Major Marshall, [illegible]

Rheims Statues Occupying Experts in Restoration

A despatch from Paris says:—Despite the difficulties encountered in obtaining either money or materials from Germany for the reparation of the devastated districts, the work there is rapidly forging ahead. This is exemplified at Rheims, where not only the cathedral has been cleared of all debris but the work of reparation is progressing.

Many of the streets have not yet been touched, all attention having been centred on the cathedral. At present the reparation and reconstruction of the statues which were either in the church or around it are occupying scores of experts. Fragments of monuments are slowly being put together and it is expected that within a few months all the statues will be in their original emplacements.

Work also is proceeding on the nave, which is expected to be ready for services in 1925. The famous stained glass windows, which at the height of the bombardment by the enemy were removed to a cellar, also are being examined, and as soon as the frames are ready, which is expected to be very soon, they will be put back in place.

Mouth Open in Sleep Causes Appendicitis

A despatch from Paris says:—Dr. Pierre Robin, head surgeon of the Children's Hospital of Paris, has found a new cause of appendicitis. He ascribes most cases to the fact that the patient, particularly if a child, sleeps, with his mouth open, instead of breathing through the nose. This causes drooping of the tongue, which lets certain microbes into the body, developing tuberculosis in frail systems as well as chronic enteritis and appendicitis.

Dr. Robin has made a report to this effect to the Academy of Medicine and says the remedy is simple, consisting in the frequent examination of children's noses to keep them clear of any possible growths.

Weekly Market Report

Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern $1.27.

Manitoba oats—Nominal.

Manitoba barley—Nominal.

All the above, track, Bay ports.

American corn—No. 2 yellow, 89c; No. 3, 87½c.

Barley—Malting, 60 to 62c, according to freights outside.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 78 to 80c.

Rye—No. 2, 83 to 85c.

Peas—No. 2, $1.45 to $1.50.

Millfeed—Del., Montreal freights, bags included: Bran, per ton, $24; shorts, per ton, $26; middlings, per ton, $28.50; good feed flour, $2.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 white, $1.11 to $1.13, according to freights outside; No. 2, $1.08 to $1.10.

Ontario No. 2 white oats—43 to 45c.

Ontario corn—Nominal.

Ontario flour—Ninety per cent. pats., in jute bags, Montreal, prompt shipment, $5.20 to $5.30; Toronto basis, $5.15 to $5.20; bulk, seaboard, $5.05 to $5.10.

Manitoba flour—1st pats., in cotton sacks, $7.10 per bbl; 2nd pats., $6.60.

Hay—Extra No. 2, per ton, track, Toronto, $10 to $12; mixed, $10.50 to $12; clover, $8 to $11.

Straw—Car lots, per ton, track, Toronto, $5.50.

Cheese—New, large, 27½c; twins, [illegible]

Butter—Finest creamery prints, 43 to 45c; ordinary creamery prints, 40 to 41c; dairy 30 to 31c; cooking, 22c.

Dressed poultry—Chickens, milk-fed, over 5 lbs., 25 to 31c; do, do, 4 to 5 lbs., 21 to 27c; do, over 5 lbs., 21 to 27c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 16 to 25c; do, 2 to 3 lbs., 14 to 21c. Hens, over 5 lbs., 23 to 27c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 19 to 25c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 14 to 17c. Roosters, 13 to 18c. Ducklings, over 5 lbs., 23 to 26c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 21 to 24c. Turkeys, young, 10 lbs. and up, 28 to 38c; do, old, 18 to 23c. Geese, 15 to 21c.

Margarine—20 to 22c.

Eggs—No. 1 candled, 37 to 38c; selects, 42 to 43c; new laids, 53c; cartons new laids, 55c.

Beans—Canadian hand-picked, lb., 6½c; primes, 6c.

Maple products—Syrup, per imp. gal., $2.50; per 5-gal. tin, $2.40 per gal. Maple sugar, lb., 23 to 25c.

Honey—60-lb tins, 12 to 12½c per lb.; 5-2½-lb. tins, 13½c to 14½c per lb.; Ontario comb honey, per dozen, $3.75 to $4.50.

Potatoes, Ontario, No. 1, 90c to $1; No. 2, 85 to 90c.

Smoked meats—Hams, med., 26 to 28c; cooked ham, 38 to 40c; smoked rolls, 26 to 28c; cottage rolls, 32 to 35c; breakfast bacon, 32 to 35c; special brand breakfast bacon, 38 to 40c; backs, boneless, 38 to 43c.

Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 50 to 70 lbs., 20c; 70 to 90 lbs., $19; 90 lbs. and up, $18; lightweight rolls, in barrels, $28; heavyweight rolls, $35.

Lard—Pure tierces, 16c; tubs, 16½c; pails, 16½c; prints, 18c. Shortening, tierces, 13½ to 14c; tubs, 14 to 14½c; pails, 14½ to 15c; prints, 17 to 17½c.

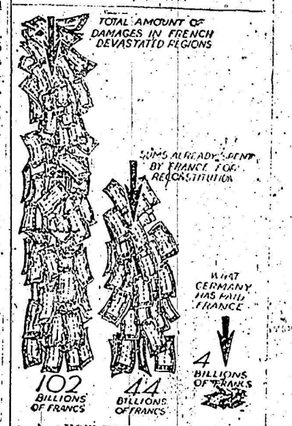
Heavy steers, choice, $7 to $8; butcher steers, choice, $6.75 to $7.25; do, good, $6 to $6.50; do, med., $5 to $6; do, com., $4.50 to $5; butcher heifers, choice, $6.50 to $7; do, med., $5 to $6; do, com., $4.50 to $5; butcher cows, choice, $4.50 to $5.25; do, med., $3 to $4; canners and cutters, $1.75 to $2.25; butcher bulls, good, $4.50 to $5.25; do, com., $2.25 to $2.50; feeder steers, good, $5 to $5.50; do, fair, $3 to $4; stockers, good, $4 to $4.50; do, fair, $3 to $4; calves, choice, $10 to $11.50; do, med., $9 to $11; do, com., $5 to $8; milch cows, choice, $75 to $90; springers, choice, $80 to $100; lambs, choice, $13.25 to $14.50; sheep, choice, $7 to $7.50; do, culls, $3 to $4; hogs, fed and watered, $10 to $10.50; do, f.o.b., $9.25 to $9.75; do, country points, $9 to $9.50.

Montreal.

Corn—American No. 2 yellow, 92 to 92c. Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 63 to 64c; do, No. 3, 58 to 59c; extra No. 1 feed, 55 to 56c; No. 2 local white, 53 to 54c. Flour—Manitoba spring wheat pats., firsts, $7.10; do, seconds, $6.60; strong bakers' $6.40; winter pats., choice, $6.50. Rolled oats—Bag of 90 lbs., $3.15 to $3.25. Bran—$24. Shorts—$26. Middlings—$31. Hay—Per ton, car lots, $15 to $16.

Cheese—Finest easterns, 24 to 24½c. Butter—Choicest creamery, 40½ to 41c. Eggs—Fresh, 45 to 46c; selected, 40c; No. 1 stock, 36c; strictly new-laid, 55c. Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, 95c to $1.

Hogs, $10.75 to $11.25; good quality selects, and butcher hogs, $12, to $11.25; thick fats, $10.50.



HOW THE RUIN IS BEING PAID FOR

Germany Shirks Her Debts.

The chart shows why France is so anxious over the failure of Germany to meet the obligations set by the Treaty of Versailles. Of damages caused by the war, totalling 102 billions of francs, Germany in five years has made restitution of only 4 billions of francs, of about $760,000,000 in normal exchange.

Natural Resources Bulletin

The Natural Resources Intelligence Branch of the Department of the Interior says: A new Bison Park, to be known as Wood Buffalo Park, has just been created by order in council to provide a protected range for the remnants of the once numerous herds of buffalo that ranged the plains. This park is situated near Fort Smith on the west side of Slave River. It extends north and south of the north boundary of the Province of Alberta and includes within its boundaries the present habitat of the wood bison or so-called wood buffalo.

These wood buffalo are the only remnants to be found in their native wild state of the millions of buffalo which at one time roamed throughout the great central plains of North America from the Mexican border to the country north of Great Slave Lake. Only the prompt action of the Dominion Government in affording them protection has saved these magnificent specimens of America's wild life from extinction.

For a number of years, rangers of the Department of the Interior have patrolled the more accessible portions of their habitat. With the recent improvements in transportation and many new trappers pouring into these northern areas, a more rigid patrol and a greater measure of protection was found necessary. The creation of this park will assist materially in furnishing this.

Studying Astronomy

In co-operation with the Department of Astronomy of the University of Toronto the Department of Extension of the people of the university has inaugurated a new and very inexpensive course in the choice for Extension subject of Astronomical [illegible] Selections of Astronomical slides have been made and a fairly detailed [illegible] has been prepared to accompany each [illegible] Any High School, Collegiate Institute, or local organization that would like to have a lecture on Astronomy has only to send to the Department of University Extension for a [illegible] the [illegible] suitable person to read the descriptions of each slide and a very profitable hour is thus easily provided. The only expense consists of the express charges on the box of slides. The scheme is just another indication of the willingness of the provincial university to serve the people of the constituency.

Armed Soldiers Guard Irish Dancing Parties

A despatch from Dublin says:—The mere danger of an attack by Irish irregulars does not deter young Irish soldiers, from commanding Generals down to back privates, from getting a fair share of dancing. When Gens. Lawlor and Mitchel decide to attend a ball they take along a large supply of machine gunners and a few guards with bayonets when they do not all intend to be doctors, lawyers and preachers, it would be a bad thing for the country if they did. We must have people qualified to play their part in the industrial, commercial and agricultural life of the country. These people require a good literary training and should have some knowledge of the various trades and occupations they will eventually enter. The curriculum of our High Schools has been selected rather with a view to fitting people for the professions. I believe the country people should be given a chance to say what their children should learn.

In order to have a school [illegible] I am of the opinion that it will be necessary to consolidate several of our small rural schools. There are not enough pupils in some of them to appeal to young men to take up teaching as a profession. It would be too expensive for some school sections to provide a home for a permanent teacher. There are enough schools in Ontario now to [illegible] the practicability of [illegible] advanced work can be [illegible] larger attendance and be provided by Consolidation. A little more expenditure [illegible] we shall be much more [illegible] than we have [illegible] Ontario [illegible] public [illegible] travel [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] Ontario [illegible]

The Ideal Rural School

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[illegible] should have healthy surroundings, with ample room for recreational activities and be made the community centre for many of the community interests. It should have a room that could be used for assembly hall, either by using portable desks in the classroom or having a room set aside for general purposes. The heat should be supplied by a furnace in the basement, and a janitor engaged to take charge of this furnace and have the care of the school in general. We have advanced beyond the use of the stove in most of our homes, our teachers are young and inexperienced and few pupils have had much responsibility in building fires and regulating stoves. The school should be well heated, ventilated and lighted, regularly cleaned and kept comfortable and attractive for the pupils. The grounds should be adorned with trees and flowers so as to develop in the growing citizens in our land a taste for the beautiful. Some of our school yards are very barren and a few of them have not even a pump. There should also be some equipment for play which should always be supervised by the teachers or someone in authority. I do not see why older pupils should not be appointed by their fellows or by the teacher to teach or direct the younger ones in their play activities.

I would like to see provision in such a school for the social and intellectual life of the adults. Our education does not cease but rather only begins when we pass the Entrance examination. Young people require direction in reading and debating. When the school has facilities for such gatherings there could be night classes, debating societies, courses in Agriculture and Household Science that would keep the young people together and thus make life in the country more desirable. The school should be available for all kinds of community gatherings in the summer and provision made for these gatherings in the school in the winter. I would like to see an experienced teacher in the school section long enough to become a community leader and to take an interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of the community. This example [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]