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CANADA'S SHARE IS \$35,000,000

This Money Comes From the Operation of Canteens Overseas.

SOLDIERS ARE TO GET IT

SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW IT SHOULD BE DISTRIBUTED

In Great Britain the Organization is Headed by Sir Julian Byng—British Officer at Ottawa Regarding Payment.

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—Canada has received \$35,000,000 as her share of the proceeds of the operation of canteens overseas by the Army and Navy Board. The question now arises how the windfall is to be utilized. The money is the result of soldiers' patronage of army canteens overseas, and will, it is understood, go back to the soldiers. One suggestion which has been made is that it should be administered by the special department of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, which is handling the appropriation voted by Parliament last session for soldiers' civil re-education. Some military men contend that the canteen fund should be disbursed by soldiers' organizations. In Great Britain, where the canteen surplus amounts to \$35,000,000, an organization representative of the army and navy, and headed by Sir Julian Byng, has been formed. It is asking for suggestions as to the manner in which the money should be disbursed.

The fund arises from the operations of the army and navy canteen board. That board was formed when the system under which canteens were operated for the army and navy by private parties under contract was abolished. The army and navy canteen board handled canteen supplies for all British naval and military in Great Britain and France. Its surplus is now being divided pro rata among the countries whose soldiers patronized the canteens. Australia has accepted \$2,000,000 in payment of its proportion of the fund. Canada is receiving \$35,000,000 as its share, and Col. Cherry, a British officer, is here in connection with the payment of the amount.

C.P.R. PASSENGER TRAIN DERAILED

(Canadian Press Despatch) Montreal, Dec. 18.—At 1:30 o'clock this morning the Montreal-Toronto C.P.R. train was derailed just east of Smith's Falls, by rails which had an internal flaw breaking under the train. The flaw could not be detected on the surface. Several passengers were taken to Smith's Falls on a relief train, and another train was made up and the passengers continued to their destination.

SOME POSSIBILITY OF BORDEN STAYING

Th Premier May Make a Statement Late This Afternoon.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Ottawa, Dec. 18.—From present indications there is some possibility that Sir Robert Borden may be induced to postpone his proposed retirement from the premiership. His own requests have been made by his colleagues that he should remain. Every man brings shoals of letters expressing hope that his retirement will be necessary. Sir Robert has intimated this morning that he will have an official statement probably late this afternoon.

At the conclusion of to-day's meeting of the cabinet council, the premier informed the Canadian Press that he was not yet prepared to make any statement.

Invention of a New-Steel

London, Dec. 18.—The invention of a new steel, far in advance of any high-speed steel hitherto made, is described in the Daily Mail to-day by John Oliver Arnold, professor of metallurgy at Sheffield University.

Professor Arnold, who is said to have been the discoverer of vanadium steel, claims, according to the Daily Mail, that the new steel possesses far more commercial possibilities, that it is unrivaled in hardness, that in tool form it will remove a greater weight than any other steel and that it possesses comparatively longer life.

R. W. Hurbaby was on Thursday elected president of the United Farmers of Ontario, in succession to R. H. Halbert, M.P.—elect for North Ontario, who resigned the leadership of the Ontario Farmers to enter into the broader federal field.

CANNOT PRODUCE REQUIRED DEMANDS

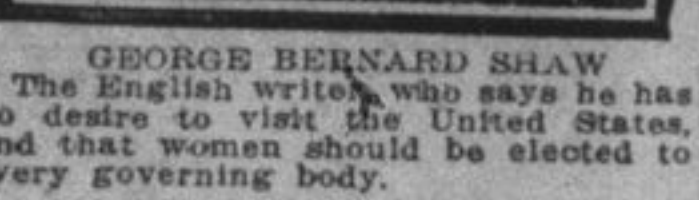
(Canadian Press Despatch) Paris, Dec. 18.—The German delegates are said by the news-papers here, to have furnished to the Allies not all the hardware cannot deliver all the hardware and dock material demanded in the protocol to the peace treaty. The Allies experts are said to be disposed to consider a counter proposition which would reduce the amount to be turned over by 200,000 tons.

PLACED WOMEN BEFORE TROOPS

And Thus Prevented the Montenegrins From Fully Defending Themselves.

CALL ON PEACE CONFERENCE

TO HAVE THE SERBIANS FORCED TO EVACUATE THE COUNTRY.



GEORGE BERNARD SHAW, the English writer, who says he has no doubts that the United States, and that women should be elected to every governing body.

FREEMAN'S JOURNAL BEEN SUPPRESSED

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, Dec. 18.—According to the Herald, the organ of organized labor, the reason for the suppression of the Dublin Freeman's Journal was not because of the paper's alleged interference with the recruiting of special constables, but was the result of its attacks upon the Irish administration. It is asserted that the Journal alleged that certain known criminals were allowed immunity of prosecution because the Government was employing them.

SUSPICIOUS OF SOVIET.

Estonian Foreign Minister Doubts Reds Sincerity.
Dorpat, Dec. 18.—M. Poska, the Estonian Foreign Minister, in statement directed to the conference of the Baltic states, declared the Estonian delegation doubted the possibility of peace and was "suspicious of the real sentiment toward peace of the Soviet Russian Government. He proposed adjournment of the conference until January 3, but M. Joffe, the Bolshevik representative, demurred.

It was finally agreed to await the arrival to-day of General Koltzyaev, of the Soviet delegation, who accompanied M. Krassin to Moscow to consult their Government before deciding on postponement.

EXPRESS CO. FINED.

But Leave to Appeal Allowed in Ottawa Liquor Case.
Ottawa, Dec. 18.—Judgment was rendered in the police court yesterday by Magistrate Askwith in the case of the Canadian Express Company, which was charged with transporting a quantity of liquor from Montreal to Ottawa in contravention of the order-in-Council passed February 24th, 1919. The company was fined \$202, but leave was granted at the request of Messrs. Fringle & Guthrie, counsel for the defence, for a stated case to be taken to the Appeal Court.

Nearly 3,000,000 In Ontario.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—The belated report of the Provincial Registrar-General for 1919, which has just been published, shows that the population at the end of that period in Ontario was 2,988,970. This is an increase of 29,120, or 1.04 per cent, of which 23,486 were males. There were 43,033 deaths; 19,525 marriages were solemnized during the year, a decrease of 1,974.

To Use Less Newspaper.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Every newspaper in the country was called upon by the House post office committee to reduce its consumption of newspaper paper by ten per cent. for a period of six months in an effort to relieve the present serious shortage which the committee has been told threatened the destruction of a number of small papers. Voluntary co-operation of publishers would obviate the necessity for repressive government legislation, said the committee's statement.

Exchange Rates Again Decline.

(Canadian Press Despatch) New York, Dec. 18.—Foreign exchange rates suffered another decline at the opening of the market to-day. Demand-bills on the pound sterling were quoted at 37.75, or three and a half cents below yesterday's close. There was a fractional advance in New York funds on Canada, being quoted 7 3/4 per cent. premium.

News Print to be Increased.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Ottawa, Dec. 18.—The price of newspaper paper in Canada is to be raised to \$80 per ton, f.o.b. mill, on January 1st, 1920, according to an announcement by Paper Controller R. H. Fringle, K.C. The price now being paid by the Canadian newspapers is \$69 per ton.

CABINET SHUFFLE COMMENTED UPON

Provincial Consideration Must Be Taken Into Account Just Now.

ONTARIO HAS LION'S SHARE

SEVEN OF THIS PROVINCE'S MEMBERS ARE MINISTERS
Continued Adherence of Union Liberals Depends Upon Whether the Idea of Perpetuating an Honest Idea Prevails.

Montreal Herald Special.
Ottawa, Dec. 18.—In the matter of cabinet reconstruction provincial consideration must be taken into account at the present time. New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island have no representation in the cabinet. Nova Scotia is represented by Sir Robert Borden and Hon. A. C. MacLean, who is without portfolio. Sir Robert has definitely decided to retire, and Mr. MacLean has been talking of doing so for some time back though he has proven himself to be a good administrator and a trusted adviser of the Premier.

POPE WAGES WAR ON WOMEN'S DRESS

Expressly Forbidden to Allow Immodestly Dressed Women in Churches.

Rome, Dec. 18.—Pope Benedict XV is pursuing his campaign against the present styles of women's dress, which he condemns as "immoral and un-Christian." His Holiness instructed all Catholic women's unions recently to refuse to receive women who dressed so immodestly as fashion demands at the moment. The Pope has caused a circular to be sent to the rectors of all churches, chapels and other places in which it is expressly forbidden to allow immodestly dressed women to enter Catholic places of worship.

STILL DISCUSSING THE GERMAN CLAIM

In Connection With the Settlement of the Peace Terms Details.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Paris, Dec. 17.—The German claim in connection with the settlement of the peace terms in detail was again before the Supreme Council to-day. The council reached a unanimous decision to permit the Germans to collect customs duties in gold. In further discussion of the question of compensation for the sinking of German ships at Scapa Flow, discrepancy developed between estimates and the German experts regarding mercantile tonnage and floating docks available for repair purposes at German ports, amounting to about one hundred thousand tons.

BRITISH GENERAL ELECTION PROBABLY

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, Dec. 18.—The recent predictions that a general election will be held in the near future are revived by several morning newspapers in connection with rumors current in parliamentary circles. Parliament will be prorogued next week until the second week in February, when, according to widespread belief, the government will prepare for the dissolution of parliament and an election to test the country's confidence in the coalition cabinet.

WILL NOT RESTORE THE SOVEREIGN YET

British Financiers Recommend Against the Early Circulation of Gold Coin.

London, Dec. 18.—The British sovereign is not yet to be restored as a purchasing coin. A commission of bankers and financiers appointed to deal with the problem of currency and exchange have recommended that it is neither necessary nor desirable that there should be any resumption of the internal circulation of the gold coin. On the contrary, all gold and bullion is to be conserved in one central reserve at the Bank of England.

KENTUCKY BOOZE FOR CUBAN PORTS

Proposal to Ship 39,000,000 Gallons to the Island of Cuba.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 18.—A way out apparently has been found for liquor caught with large stocks of liquor on hand by the Supreme Court's decision holding wartime prohibition constitutional. A plan was presented to distillers here today by the representatives of steamship lines operating service out of Charleston, Brunswick, Jacksonville, Savannah and Wilmington, to Cuba, South America and Europe. It contemplates immediate shipment of liquor stocks in Kentucky estimated at 39,000,000 gallons in bonded warehouses, largely to Cuban ports for storage and subsequent resale in Cuba, or shipment to other foreign countries.

WAR MATERIAL HANDED OVER.

London, Dec. 18.—Winston Spencer Churchill, Secretary for War, announced in the House of Commons today that the Germans had handed over to the Allies, 5,000 guns, 25,000 machine guns, 3,000 trench mortars and 1,700 airplanes. He said that he had still failed to deliver 42 locomotives and 4,750 railway trucks. The Secretary considered that the Germans had made a tremendous effort to comply with the conditions imposed upon them.

IS BEING DEPORTED

Miss Elsie Sabrowski, alias Rita Hancock, who was arrested for revolutionary activity, has left in charge of immigration officials for New York where she will be placed on a vessel bound for Europe. She has been nine months in custody.

MONTREAL HERALD SPECIAL

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Manitoba is represented by Hon. Arthur Meighen, minister of interior; Saskatchewan is represented by Hon. J. A. Calder, minister of immigration; Alberta, by Sir James Lougheed, and Hon. A. L. Sifton, minister of public works, and British Columbia, by Hon. Dr. Tolmie, minister of agriculture and Hon. Martin Burrell, secretary of state. The latter is slated for retirement to the position of chief librarian of Parliament, and H. H. Stevens, of Centre Vancouver, or R. P. Green, of Kootenay, will succeed him.

Ontario has at present the lion's share of portfolios. That province is represented in the cabinet by the Hon. Dr. Reid, minister of railways, Sir George Foster, minister of trade and commerce; Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance; Hon. N. W. Rowell, president of the Privy Council; Hon. C. S. Meighen, minister of militia; Hon. Hugh Guthrie, solicitor-general; Hon. Gleason Robertson, minister of labor, with Hon. Hugh Clark and Hon. F. B. Keefer, as parliamentary secretaries.

Must Consider Maritime.
It is obvious that in the shuffle representation must be given to New Brunswick in the first place. The portfolios of customs is at present vacant and an effort has been made to fill it but so far without success. Sir Douglas Hazen would have none of it.

Sir Robert Borden's retirement will leave another vacancy in the maritime province representation which will also clamor to be filled. Manitoba at the outset had two ministers, but Hon. T. A. Crerar retired and is now engaged in organizing a new political force opposed to the government. Hon. L. Sifton is due to retire.

The continued adherence to the government of Union Liberals in the persons of the Hon. N. W. Rowell, one of its best administrators; General Meighen, who never was an enthusiastic politician, Mr. MacLean and others will depend very largely upon whether the idea of perpetuating the Union for Conservatism reconstructed prevails. The loyal efforts of each toward sound and proper reorganization may be taken for granted.

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PULPWOOD SURVEY OF U.S. NORTH-WEST

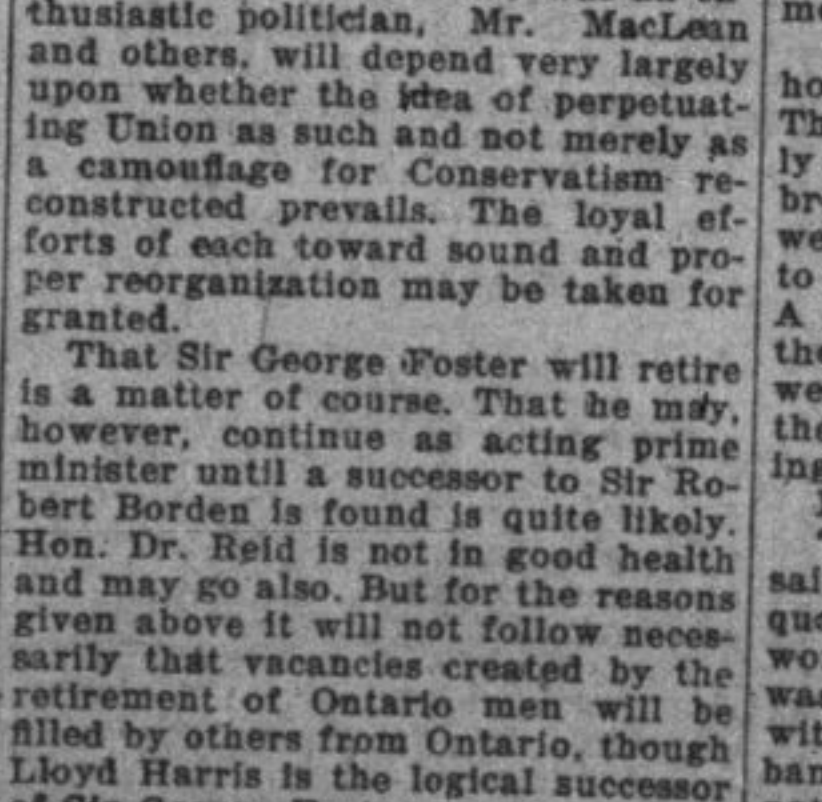
It is Believed Enough Exists to Supply Newspapers for Fifty Years.

Washington, Dec. 18.—In a statement today urging enactment of his bill for a Government survey of pulp timber in the Northwest, Senator Poindester, Republican, Washington, declared it was believed this timber would supply enough pulp to end the present shortage of newspaper paper and supply all publishers for decades to come. "The pulp wood now actually exists," Senator Poindester said, "the survey will go far toward compelling Eastern paper manufacturers to abandon their claims of acute scarcity and stop profiteering."

He proposed the appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the survey. "It will be found," said Mr. Poindester, "that newspaper can be made in Oregon, Washington and California, at a cost that will permit the product to be sold at prices far below those now being charged by Eastern mills."

ACTIVITY BEHIND THE SCENES.

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—That there is much activity behind the scenes it is generally known, but just what moves are being made on the board is practically impossible to ascertain. That Sir George Foster will retire is a matter of course. That he may, however, continue as acting prime minister until a successor to Sir Robert Borden is found is quite likely. Hon. Dr. Reid is not in good health and may go also. But for the reasons given above it will not follow necessarily that vacancies created by the retirement of Ontario men will be filled by others from Ontario, though Lloyd Harris is the logical successor of Sir George Foster.



LORD CARBERY, Irish noble, whose wife has just obtained a divorce from her estranged husband. She is alleged to have her love in the Atlantic jungle without any formal divorce.

GET CONTRABAND GOODS RETURNED

American Owners to Have Seizures Released By Great Britain.

MATERIALS WERE SEIZED

ON NEUTRAL VESSELS DURING THE BRITISH BLOCKADE.

Ownership Must be Proved to the Satisfaction of Britain—Announcement by the Foreign Office.
Washington, Dec. 18.—Great Britain is prepared now to release American owned goods seized during the war upon the establishment of their American ownership at the time the goods were shipped, the State Department was advised to-day by the British Foreign Office.

The goods affected include those taken from neutral ships during the enforcement of the British blockade against the Central Powers before the United States entered the war. It is understood to include goods shipped both from the United States to Germany and from Germany to this country.

"The British note," said the State Department's announcement, "is in response to an American note of August 28th last, which pointed out that as the economic blockade of the Central Powers had been raised, American goods detained by the British Government under the provision of the Order-in-Council of March 11, 1915, should be released to the American owners upon the production of documents establishing their title to goods at time of detention."

The American note pointed out that the American-owned goods, disposed of by the British authorities because of their perishable character, should be released to the owners.

"American claimants must submit directly to the British procurator-general at London documentary proof of their ownership at the time the goods were shipped."

PAPER COMPANIES STRIKE A BONANZA

Montreal, Dec. 18.—It is pointed out in the street that the pulp and paper companies of Canada have struck what is almost a bonanza in the fact that after export of pulp and paper to the United States is paid in United States currency it is stated that they will be almost able to pay their dividends on the exchange they get the benefit of in this way.

CENTRAL EUROPE FACES A RELIEF

Will Be Foodless by Feb. 1st Unless Allies Save Situation.

London, Dec. 18.—Apparently England's appeal to America, voiced by the Premier a fortnight ago, to supply money for Central European relief, has not had the desired result. Cecil Harmsworth, Foreign Office spokesman, answering questions in the House of Commons spoke despairingly of the situation.

He told Major R. Glyn that it was intended to lay all papers pertaining to the Austrian economic situation on the table, and that latest Vienna despatches showed the food situation there critical. He asserted that England had tried to find relief arrangements with South Russian operative societies, but had failed.

"The Government is doing everything in its limited resources to relieve the situation, which calls for co-operation not only by England, but by all the associated powers," he said.

Viscount Curzon asked if it was a fact that there would be no food in the Central European area by the end of next month.

"Unless further arrangements are made, that will be so," Mr. Harmsworth replied.

URUGUAY AS MEDIATOR.

How Mexico Would Settle Troubles With United States.

Mexico City, Dec. 18.—Gabrielle Terra, the Uruguayan Minister of Foreign Relations, has offered the services of his country as mediator in the difficulties between Mexico and the United States, according to advices received by the Mexican Foreign Relations Department here from Mexican Charge D'Affaires Enriquez, at Montevideo, today.

ALCOHOL FROM COKE.

Cleveland, Middleborough, England, Dec. 18.—It is announced here that a local engineer has succeeded in extracting commercial alcohol and its derivatives from coke. It is claimed that if the process, which requires the use of gas, is applied to all the coal carbonized in Great Britain, an estimated yield of 50,000,000 gallons of motor spirits will be obtained annually, revolutionizing the supply and cost of liquid fuel.

NEWS IN BULLETIN.

An officer has arrived in Ottawa from England with thirty-five million dollars, being the Canadian soldiers' share in the canteen fund.

The farmers' convention at Toronto declares that there shall be no class legislation in Ontario. Premier Drury is heartily endorsed in the gramophone.

Ex-Premier Hearst was honored at a dinner in Toronto Wednesday night.

Heavy deposits of valuable molybdenites have been found in the Ottawa Valley.

The Railway Board announces that train reduction will continue for the present.