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U.S. EXPORTERS MUCH WORRIED

And Are Offering to Split on the Rate of Exchange.

SOME CANADIAN FIRMS

HAVE A TEMPTING BIT OF BUSINESS AHEAD

But the Board of Commerce May Interfere—Individual Responsibility Is Being Emphasized.

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—It would appear that worries regarding the exchange situation are not entirely confined to those countries which are classified as being in the "adverse" column. United States exporters of raw products are becoming worried. The 17 per cent. exchange against Canada is giving pause to Canadian manufacturers who are compelled to pay for their imports at a rate probably twice or three times the value of the returns which they may expect to receive upon their profits, and United States firms contemplate with emotion the loss of valuable customers. Many have offered to "split" the exchange, in some cases the offer has been accepted; in others even the split has acted as an absolute deterrent against import from the United States.

Firms in Canada which do not depend upon the United States for their raw materials, but which are self-contained, may be subject to the temptation of taking advantage of the adverse exchange situation, which, after all, simply represents an additional protection, to boost their goods to the extent to which American competitors are not on the verge of being able to compete. In such case the Canadian consumers will be up against very much increased costs for their necessities of life.

The Board of Commerce is empowered to order the elimination of tariffs which are employed for the purpose of unduly enlarging the cost of the necessities of life. While the Board of Commerce will not make any announcement as to what action they might take in such a contingency it must be noted that the board has power to order the removal of a protective tariff on any industry which is using the tariff to enhance unduly the cost of the necessities of life.

UP TO THE INDIVIDUAL

Conferences are now being held between the chartered banks and the Minister of Finance. Further conferences will be held between the Minister and the brokers and bond dealers. The general consensus of opinion appears to be that one of the best methods of reducing exchange is to curtail absolutely the import of all unnecessary from the United States. Under the War Measures Act the Government had power to restrict imports. Now that the war is over, the Government does not feel that it could rightfully carry on such a program. Individual responsibility is emphasized. Under normal conditions the resumption of cash payments by Great Britain and other European countries would tend to enhance the value of the Canadian dollar; but at present those countries are not in a position even to pay their debts to Canada.

EXCHANGE RATES IMPROVE FRIDAY

(Canadian Press Despatch) New York, Feb. 6.—Rates on demand bills for the English pound sterling opened this morning at \$3.34, and soon advanced to \$3.35. Rating of Canadian money improved in sympathy, the discount rate being quoted at 14 to 14 1/2 as against 16 at yesterday's closing. Demand sterling dropped back to \$3.35 1/2, where it held steady up to noon.

WORST SNOWSTORM

Of the Winter Delays New York Traffic

New York, Feb. 6.—New York is recovering from the worst storm of the winter. The snowstorm which began Tuesday evening, continued throughout the night and yesterday morning the streets were clogged with great drifts of snow. Snow, hail and sleet, driven by a strong wind, added to the discomfort of New Yorkers. Street cars moved at a snail's pace and blockades were the rule. Tens of thousands of workers forsook the elevated and surface lines and swamped the subway. Ferries were delayed owing to the high tides and danger of floating ice, and nearly all the incoming trains were far behind their schedules. Trains from the west were hours late.

More than 4,000 men were pressed into service by the street cleaning department to clear the streets. In an effort to assist the department, the Downtown League, composed of business men, called upon its members to request their employees to volunteer for snow removal work. Eastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey, and Delaware were also in the grip of the storm. In Philadelphia there were serious traffic delays and shipping on the Delaware river was virtually at a standstill.

MIGHT AGREE TO NEUTRAL TRIBUNAL

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Berlin, Feb. 6.—The German Government will probably be willing to surrender its nationals charged with war crimes, to be tried by a neutral tribunal if the Entente will agree, says the National Zeitung, a Swiss Government newspaper, which declares that it has signified its readiness to arrange such a tribunal.

NO OFFICIAL ACTION BY GREAT BRITAIN YET

Best Opinion Is That Exchange Situation Will Rectify Itself in Time.

London, Feb. 6.—No official action has yet been taken to endeavor to re-establish the value of the pound sterling in Canada. It is generally accepted that any effort as being a campaign to bring the value of the pound sterling to its former level without the co-operation of the United States.

It is believed that as a result of the conference between Mr. Auston Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer and the leading British banker will be a campaign to restrict imports, increase production and encourage individual economy. Meantime much resentment is being expressed against certain journals which have characterized the attitude of the United States on the question as unfriendly and hostile. The opinion is growing that the situation will rectify itself as commerce settles down and trade is opened with Europe and with the revival of brisk relations with Eastern Europe.

RAILWAYS FACE LOSS OF THIRTY MILLIONS

Canadian Government Will Have to Increase Rates on Its Lines.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Ottawa, Feb. 6.—Faced with a loss of approximately thirty million dollars during the present financial year, it is regarded here as inevitable that the rates of the Government railway lines, will have to be increased if the roads are to pay. Already there have been hints of probable action in this direction. The whole situation, it is stated, is now being closely investigated.

CIVIC FLAG REPLACES SINN FEIN BANNER

Over the City Hall in Dublin When Municipal Council Meets.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Dublin, Feb. 6.—The civic flag replaced the Sinn Fein banner over the city hall when municipal council met today. The Council did not take up the proposal of Transport Worker O'Brien that the mace and sword be removed on the ground that they were "implements of feudal authority, relics of barbarism, and perpetual symbols of servitude."

STOCKS TAKE TUMBLE UNDER HEAVY SELLING

United States Steel Drops to 98 7-8, the Lowest in Months.

(Canadian Press Despatch) New York, Feb. 6.—The prices of stocks tumbled today under the heavy selling despite the improvement in foreign exchange. Leading issues dropped from six to fifteen points below the opening and made new low records for the current movement. Losses of two to five points were numerous and United States Steel fell to 98 7/8, its lowest quotation for months. Prices opened one to seven points up, but reacted after the first hour and soon there was heavy liquidation. The break was accelerated by 17 per cent call money.

STEAMSHIP RUNS AGROUND

Just East of Rockaway Point on Long Island.

(Canadian Press Despatch) New York, Feb. 6.—The steamship Princess Anna of the Old Dominion Line, carrying thirty-two passengers and a crew of seventy-two from Norfolk, Va., to New York, ran aground one mile off the coast of Rockaway Point on Long Island early today, and sent out S. O. S. calls for assistance. Tugs have been dispatched. Wireless reports added that Captain Seay of the vessel had been seriously injured, but no details were given.

CANADA'S OFFICIAL WAR MEMORIAL

Will Take Form of a Museum, Presumably at Ottawa, to House the Canadian Forces' War Trophies.

Canada's official war memorial will take the form of a museum, presumably at Ottawa, to house the Canadian forces' war trophies. William B. Putnam Jr., four years old, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed two houses in Halifax.

AID TO THE ARMENIANS

"Let me once more express the heartfelt, and the call for help continues unabated."

Previously acknowledged: Mrs. A. Melville Bell, Baldwinville, N.Y., 200.00; Catarqui Methodist S.S. and Friends, 42.00; A. S. Guess, Baldwinville, N.Y., 15.00; Free Methodist Sunday School, Verona, 13.75; Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Lockett, 10.00; Victor A. Minnes, 5.00; Mrs. T. D. Minnes, 5.00; Mrs. M. VanLoven, Murvale, 5.00; G. F. Storms, Verona, 5.00; Earl T. Lake, Killam, Alta., 5.00; Levi Storms, 5.00; A. Friend, 5.00; Miss Jean Hyslop, 5.00; Collection, 4.30; "Busy Bee" Club of Calvary church, 3.63; A. Friend, 2.50; A. Friend, 2.00; Miss Ruth Zeigler, 2.00; Mrs. A. Volume, 2.00; A. Sympathizer, 2.00; Major Galloway, 2.00; Hugh Cameron, Canonto, 1.00.

ALLIES PLACED IN A DILEMMA

By Action of Lersner in Refusing to Forward Names of Culprits.

MUST ENFORCE SURRENDER

BUT SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES FACE THE ALLIES.

Sensation Created by the Situation—Curiosity as to How the Crisis Will Be Surmounted.

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, Feb. 6.—The action of Baron von Kurt Lersner in refusing to transmit the list of Germans demanded by the Allies for trial to his Government, has placed the Allies in somewhat of a dilemma, as believed by the moderate Liberal press here. No event since the armistice has created such a sensation or aroused so much curiosity as to how the crisis will be surmounted. The number and character of the names included in the list of persons demanded proved a surprise, and while the newspapers of reactionary tendencies loudly demand the employment of the strongest measures to enforce the surrender of the men, more moderate exponents of liberal opinion do not hesitate to point to the serious difficulties facing the Allies.

PURE BRED CATTLE YIELD OVER \$112,000

Sixty Shorthorns Were Sold at Auction in Toronto on Thursday.

Toronto, Feb. 6.—A total of over \$112,000 was realized on sixty-eight pure bred Shorthorns at a dispersal auction sale held at the exhibition grounds here yesterday afternoon by W. A. Dryden, of Brooklyn, Ont., and Robert Miller, of Stouffville, Ont. It was a record sale for Canada. The average selling price, male and female, was \$1,660. The top price of the sale was \$4,000 which Harry Magee, general manager of the T. Eaton Company paid for Newton Claret II, an imported Shorthorn female, bred by A. T. Gordon, of Newton, Aberdeenshire. Mr. Magee paid \$3,000 for another female, Clunna Orange Blossom, bred by Lady Cathcart, of Clunna Castle, Aberdeenshire. F. A. Russell, the well-known automobile manufacturer, this city, paid \$3,200 for Augusta Emblem, a yearling male, a Canadian-bred animal. George Gier and Son paid \$3,300 for Butterfly Belle, a red heifer in calf. McMillan Bros., of Wainipies, paid \$3,100 for Goldie's Fancy, imported.

EQUAL IN GRAVITY TO THE WAR ITSELF

Consequences in Europe Will Be Fearful Unless Immediate Relief Comes.

London, Feb. 6.—In his report to the British Government warning that conditions over half of Europe are so tragic as to threaten consequences equal to gravity to the war itself, unless immediately relieved, Sir William Goode, British director of relief, thus estimates some of the principal necessities for relief in 1920: Armenia, 6,000 tons of flour a month; Georgia and Azerbaijan, 15,000 tons of flour; Poland, 500,000 tons of cereals; Czechoslovakia, 350,000 tons of cereals and 400,000 tons of potatoes; Austria, 633,000 tons of foodstuffs for the year ending September, 1920, and 5,700,000 tons of wheat and 1,438,000 tons of barley, maize and oats, 53,000 tons of meat, and 65,000 tons of sugar.

ARABS CARRY GERMAN RIFLES.

Spaniards from Morocco Say Rebels Have Modern Firearms.

Madrid, Spain, Feb. 6.—A despatch to El Imparcial from Malaga says several Spaniards have arrived at Malaga from Mellilla, in the Spanish zone, Morocco, who assert that they encountered numerous rebel Arabs carrying large numbers of modern German rifles. These rifles, it is declared, bore the same marks as those used by the Germans in the European war.

PRESENT TO MRS. MIDDLETON

Bellefonte, Feb. 6.—Mrs. E. Middleton, of Toronto, president of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, paid an official visit to Quintana Rebekah Lodge, 133, of this city. On behalf of the members of the lodge, Bro. R. H. Ketcheson presented Mrs. Middleton with a silver tray as a memento of her visit to the lodge.

PRINCE OFFERED PRESIDENCY

Paris, Feb. 6.—The Prince of Wales has been offered the presidency of the International Boxing Union. He has reserved his decision.

DROP IN PRICES DUE VERY SOON

The Drop in Exchange Eliminates United States From World Trade.

A BIG DECREASE COMING

IN THE COST OF LIVING, OFFICIALS DECLARE.

Breadstuffs, Meat and Dairy Products Will Cease Going to Europe and Be Dumped into Home Markets. Chicago, Feb. 6.—Prices will drop within ninety days and the country generally will benefit from the decline of foreign currency, commission and cold storage men agreed here yesterday.

"Lifting of the federal wheat guarantee on next June 30th, combined with the large crop of wheat, corn and oats, will pull prices down," Adolph Kempner, commission merchant said.

"The drop in foreign exchange eliminates us from world trade," E. W. Wagner, broker, asserted. "Diverting of all manufactured products to home markets can't help but end high costs. It is beneficial to America."

Drop Expected Soon

Washington, Feb. 6.—A big drop in prices of necessities is only a few weeks away, Government officials agreed here yesterday, if the present record low levels of foreign exchange rates continue.

England, France and Italy will be forced quickly, it was predicted, to curtail their purchases in American markets. This means a reduction in the volume of American exports and the dumping of goods into the American markets.

Breadstuffs, meats and dairy products are now being shipped abroad at the rate of nearly \$4,000,000 a day by American growers, packers and exporters, Government reports show.

THE DRY LAW FORCED THE SALE OF LINERS

Shipping Board Unable to Compete With Vessels on Which Liquor Is Sold.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Sale of the former German passenger liners seized at the outbreak of the war was forced on the shipping board by the operation of the national prohibition law, Chairman Payne is understood to have told President Wilson.

DECREASE IS SHOWN IN UNEMPLOYMENT

Patriotic Fund Officials Tried to Find Work Rather Than Give Relief.

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—A decrease in unemployment throughout the Dominion is reflected in the figures of the federal emergency appropriation department of the Patriotic Fund, which has been in operation since December 22, and whose purpose it is to help unemployed returned soldiers over the present winter. The Labor Department claims that unemployment is on the decrease and it is believed the decrease was largely due to the efforts of the fund officials, who make every attempt to find positions for the returned men rather than pay out bonuses. In nearly all cases the men, if in a condition to take such positions readily agree to do so, and attempts to defraud the fund have been few and far between.

U.S. DEBT CUT \$1,000,000,000

Decreases in Last Five Months Due to Salvage and Taxes.

Washington, Feb. 6.—In the last five months the total public debt has shown a decrease of about \$930,000,000 and the floating debt about \$730,000,000, Secretary Houston announced today in comparative statements of the public debt on Aug. 31st, 1919, when the debt reached its peak, and on last Jan. 31st. The decreases were due principally to salvage and taxes.

DENTAL METHODS WRONG

Gold Crowns and Removal of Nerves Condemned.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—The American Academy of Dental Science yesterday condemned gold crown work on teeth as insanitary and productive of disease. The organization also condemned the removal of nerves from decayed teeth preparatory to filling or bridge work. One delegate declared present methods of extracting teeth needed to be changed. Extractions in cases of persons over twenty years of age should be made in hospitals with the same treatment accorded other operations, he said.

CHEQUES IN U.S. BANKS CARRY A PREMIUM FOR RECIPIENTS

Toronto, Feb. 6.—Some big cheques on U.S. banks, made by Americans to Canadians, were deposited in Canada this week, which netted the depositors thousands of dollars in premiums. One cheque of the U.S. government, closing up a mission account, brought a premium of over eighty thousand dollars to the Canadian firm depositing it in one of our banks.

SITUATION IN INDIA IS VASTLY IMPROVED

Lord Chelmsford Outlines a Measure to Relieve Difficulties in East Africa.

Delhi, India, Feb. 6.—Lord Chelmsford, the viceroy, in opening the legislative council, paid a high tribute to Sir E. S. Montague, secretary of state for India, and others associated with the passage of the Reform Act and matters incidental thereto. He outlined in elaborate detail the preliminary steps as regards the introduction of the act, and said the economic situation, which had been critical last year, had immensely improved.

Lord Chelmsford pleaded for further calmness and regard for the position of Indians in South Africa, and said Sir Edwin Montague had been called on to see that Indian interests were fully represented at the forthcoming discussions between Viscount Milner, secretary of state for the colonies, and the governor of East Africa.

The viceroy suggested that a committee of non-official Indian members be a deputation from the Fiji Islands and British Guiana, and that the government be guided by their findings.

The viceroy alluded to the appointment of a committee of the council to study the complex and difficult question of imperial preference and arrive at a conclusion whether the adoption of a system of preferential tariffs would likely be of advantage to the country as a whole.

While not wishing to minimize the dangers arising from the situation in the middle east and the Bolshevik movement he was confident things were not so bad as represented. The real danger of Bolshevism in India was the potential for propaganda and secret agitation. This development was being carefully watched and a special staff had been appointed to deal with it.

FOUR MILLIONS FOR MORE TELEPHONES

Province of Alberta Will Spend This Sum For Extensions This Year.

Edmonton, Alta., Feb. 6.—W. E. in the midst of a veritable deluge of resolutions brought up by the United Farmers of Alberta executive before the provincial cabinet, yesterday, the question of providing more telephone facilities in outlying districts of the province was brought up. Premier Stewart announced that an appropriation of more than \$4,000,000 for telephone extensions will be asked of the coming session of the legislature.

Applications for railway construction and for better services on the E.D. and B.C. demand a more rigid prohibition enforcement, treatment for all tubercular patients, a more active operation of the Farm Loan Act, and various applications for free transportation of seed grain, and problems, were among the resolutions submitted to the government during the extended afternoon session.

In most cases the cabinet was able to settle the points at issue with a full discussion, but in other instances further consideration was promised, or that the question would be brought to the attention of the legislature.

FRENCH COMMENT ON THE GREY LETTER

Allies Abandoning Wilson to Make Terms With Congressional Majority.

Paris, Feb. 6.—Commenting upon the letter of Viscount Grey, British ambassador to the United States, to the Times with regard to the American opposition to the peace treaty, the Echo de Paris, under heavy headlines, says: "The Allies are abandoning President Wilson."

The newspaper adds that Viscount Grey succeeded in persuading Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain and former Premier Clemenceau to adopt his viewpoint when in Paris some weeks ago, and the letter to the Times will, it asserts, probably be followed by an official note along the same lines from the French and British cabinets.

Senator Robertson beyond the Atlantic cannot fail to understand the significance of the language they have just heard," the Echo de Paris continues. "It simply means that the Allies are abandoning President Wilson, and are trying to come to terms with the majority in the American Congress."

"FAR OFF FIELDS."

Report of Demand For Machinists at Baltimore Misrepresented.

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—Some days ago a report was circulated from Toronto to the effect that 500 machinists were needed at Baltimore, and that these men could earn \$100 a week. Senator Robertson wired Secretary of Labor Wilson at Washington, asking for information of the situation. The reply says the wages received at the Delaware River ports was 80 cents an hour, and time and a half for overtime.

DIDN'T SHOCK NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 6.—The statue entitled "Princess" which is garbed not even in a princess slip, and which has been banned from a Paris salon as "shocking" didn't cause New York to bat an eye. It was exhibited here by the Society of Independent Artists for a month two years ago. It is by Brancusi, and represents a nude woman who appears about to dive into a tank of some "acidulated" spot in the ocean.

MUST LEAVE U.S. LUXURIES ALONE

By So Doing the Exchange Situation Will Be Aided.

ECONOMY ONLY REMEDY

ALL OTHER SUGGESTED SCHEMES ARE ONLY TEMPORARY

Canadians Holding Insurance in United States Companies Are Now Hard Hit as They Must Pay in New York.

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—Various schemes having for their object the stabilization of exchange between Canada and the United States have been put forward and discussed here. The problem has, more over, been the subject of conferences between the Finance Minister and representatives of the Chartered Banks, and will tomorrow be considered by the minister and other financial interests, among them the bond dealers.

All authorities here agree that the most potent factor in bringing down the adverse exchange rate, under existing circumstances, would be reduction of purchases of luxuries from the United States.

To "peg exchange," as it is called, would be a costly undertaking for Canada. The Government, moreover, is not in a position to restrict importation from the United States as it did do during the war under the provisions of the War Measures Act. "If the people cut down purchases of luxuries in the United States," said one authority today, "they will be doing everything that the Government could have done under the War Measures Act."

SUGGESTIONS CONSIDERED

Canada might secure a loan in the United States to help the exchange situation, but this would prove only a palliative, and that the last state would be worse than the first, inasmuch as half-yearly interest charges would soon serve to swell the debt balance against the Dominion in the United States. Nor could the Government place upon the banks and other dealers in exchange responsibility for the elimination, however slight, of luxuries from the United States. Something, however, might be accomplished by co-operation between those dealing in exchange.

Some United States insurance companies, it is reported, have given notice to policy holders that they must pay premiums in New York funds to keep their policies alive. The Dominion Insurance Department states that it has no power to make regulations requiring American companies to accept payments on Canadian insurance in Canadian funds.

SUES BILTMORE HOTEL

Man and Wife Ejected—Suit for \$50,000.

New York, Feb. 6.—Mrs. Adeline M. Horwig, wife of Captain Robert M. Horwig, a West Point graduate, now stationed in Brooklyn, is suing the Beausite Corporation, which controls the Biltmore Hotel, for \$50,000 damages, to-day, before Justice Spears in part XVI. of Supreme Court.

According to Captain and Mrs. Horwig, Mrs. Horwig engaged a room at the Biltmore, expecting her husband, who was at Camp Mills with his regiment, to join her before he sailed overseas.

They were in the room, Captain Horwig testified when at three o'clock in the morning of January 27th, 1918, Night Manager Tibbets, with two house detectives, entered and ordered them out, even though they were vouchered for by Horwig's brother-in-law, Commander Benjamin Bagley, now stationed at government navy yards, League Island, Philadelphia.

OLD FASHIONED SPANKING

Toronto, Feb. 6.—Ten days at the jail farm and a "spanking" was the sentence meted out by Judge Coatsworth to two boys who had attempted to break into a store. "No cat-o-nine-tails" added the judge, "but a real, old-fashioned spanking, such as they should have got at home, is to be administered."

GIRLS MUST BE SLINDER

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 6.—John F. Mulaney, Madison Coffee House owner, advertised: "Wanted, slender waitresses." Asked why "slender" John said: "They take up less room, are quicker on their feet, eat less and don't get flat feet."

CITIES ALONG THE NORTH ATLANTIC

are buried under the deepest snowdrifts of years.

A brakeman was pinned for three hours under an engine in a small-up on the Grand Trunk Railway at Guelph.

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS

prosecutors are being sentenced in London, England, to be fogged for robbery.

THE FOOD MINISTER HAS RESIGNED FROM THE BRITISH CABINET

Exporters in the United States are apprehensive and worried about the effect of exchange on trade in Canada.

A BRITISH ROYAL COMMISSION SETS FOURTEEN DOLLARS A QUARTER FOR WHEAT

The German Assembly will discuss the Allied demands on Saturday.