

THE ONLY WAY SAYS PREMIER

To Meet Unemployment Situation Is One of Co-operation.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—"We have been working along the line of some plan of co-operation with the provinces and municipalities in dealing with the problem of unemployment of returned men, and we are still at it. I cannot think of anything else to meet the situation," declared the Right Hon. Arthur Meighen yesterday, in answering a Toronto delegation which had emphasized serious unemployment conditions in that city and had asked for an emergency fund to cope with it.

What was suggested was the payment of \$12 a week to single returned men who are out of work, and from \$23 to \$30 a week for married men, according to the size of their families. The estimated outlay is \$150,000 a week, at least.

Employment Conditions.
Ottawa, Dec. 11.—The department of labor employment service reports that for the week ending Nov. 20th, employment returns were tabulated from over five thousand firms, with an aggregate payroll of 17,725 persons. At the end of the previous week, these concerns had 724,962 employees and at the middle of January 694,629 persons. Since the end of the previous week there has been a decrease in the staffs of nearly eight thousand persons, but as compared with January last, there were increases to the pay rolls amounting to over twenty-two thousand persons. For the following week, further, through some what smaller reduction in employment, was expected.

COMMONS TO DEBATE THE IRISH POLICY

Lloyd George Holds Out Both Olive Branch and Sword.

London, Dec. 11.—The debate on the government's Irish policy is expected to be opened in the house by the Liberal leader next Tuesday. The lower house may be called on to decide whether the cabinet's plan regarding Ireland are to be carried into execution without the acquiescence of the legislative branch of the government. This question should it come to vote would test the stability of the Lloyd George cabinet. The features of the premier's speech that did not escape notice was the fact, that, in effect, he was holding out an olive branch in one hand and a sword in the other. It evoked some questioning, but generally speaking was not regarded as banishing all hope of success.

Constantine is Notified Of Greek's Wishes

Lucerne, Dec. 11.—Official notification of the result of the Grecian plebiscite and an invitation to return to Athens are expected to be received by former King Constantine here this morning. The government notified Constantine it will have a Greek cruiser and escort of warships to receive him and family at Venice on Wednesday.

EARTHQUAKES RAZE ALBANIAN VILLAGES

Rome, Dec. 11.—All villages in Tepeleni district, southern Albania, have been destroyed by violent earthquakes, according to an Avlona despatch to the Tempo to-day. Two hundred persons are reported killed, while fifteen thousand have been made homeless. The town of Tepeleni was completely razed. The message reports that shocks are continuing. Previous messages made no mention of casualties.

Opening of Parliament.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—Thursday, February 4th, or more probably February 11th, are looked on as the likely dates for the opening of parliament. The Canada Gazette, of Saturday, will contain a notice calling parliament (pro forma) to meet January 24th, which is a certain indication it will not meet next month.

Saskatchewan Increases Pay.

Regina, Dec. 11.—In the Legislature an amendment to the Saskatchewan City Act passed provides for an increase of the maximum allowance that may be paid to any member of a city council for one year from \$300 to \$500.

Canada's Pensions Are the Highest

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—In reply to a statement recently made by J. Fred Marsh, organizer and secretary of the Grand Army of United-Veterans, to the effect that Canadian pensions are smaller than those of other countries, notably the United States, the pension commissioners to-day issued a comparative statement of pensions granted in the various countries which participated in the war. "It is only necessary to glance at the scales of the various countries to dispel any doubt regarding this matter," says the statement. "Taken as a whole, Canadian pensions are certainly higher and the pensions laws are broader in their scope than those of any other country."

BUCHAREST UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Paris, Dec. 11.—Bucharest, the capital of Rumania, is under martial law, according to an official announcement at the Rumanian legation here late last night. This step was the result of disorders in the city, which culminated on Thursday in the explosion of a time bomb beneath the speaker's tribune of the Rumanian senate. One member was killed and several were injured.

THREE SUBSTANTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS GIVEN

Hamilton Education Board Gratefully Receives the Announcements.

Hamilton, Dec. 11.—Grateful acceptance of three scholarships was made by the Board of Education Thursday night. Sir John M. Gibson appeared and stated that the International Harvester Co. would donate \$750 for five years for the best results in mathematics, the first prize \$400, and the second prize \$350; the Steel Co. of Canada would donate \$5,000 in Victory bonds, which, with the interest thereon, was to be distributed \$750 a year as long as the fund sufficed, for the best results in physics and chemistry. Both of these scholarships would be administered by the Board of Education. Speaking of his own scholarship, Sir John said it amounted to \$4,000, to be distributed at the rate of \$220 per annum for the best results in arts. This scholarship would be administered by the University of Toronto.

C.P.R. Train Hands Had Narrow Escape

Brockville, Dec. 11.—Adam Halpin and David Lee, Canadian Pacific train hands, narrowly escaped death here. Both were severely injured when the crew of a way freight shunted two coal cars onto a siding. These cars struck a standing car, under which Halpin and Lee were working. They escaped death by clinging to the under rigging of the car until it came to a standstill.

Farewell to Pastor.

Petrolia, Dec. 11.—Rev. J. D. McCrae, B.D., who for the past four years has been minister of the Presbyterian church here, has left for Almonte, having accepted a call to the Presbyterian church there. Before leaving, Mr. McCrae, at a farewell social, was presented by the congregation with a purse of \$200 and Mrs. McCrae with a purse of \$50 and an ivory electric lamp. Both Mr. and Mrs. McCrae will be greatly missed in Petrolia.

Cannot Be Compelled.

New York, Dec. 11.—A housewife whatever her age may be, is compelled to attend school in this city, according to a decision just handed down in the Municipal Term Court by Magistrate Brough in the case of Mrs. Rose Stefano, fourteen years old. Mrs. Stefano was arraigned on complaint of the Bureau of Education for the purposes of establishing a precedent of this kind. It was brought out at the hearing that the young housewife had married with her parent's consent. The charge of truancy was dismissed.

Belleville Likes Guelph's System.

Belleville, Dec. 11.—A mass meeting of citizens, after hearing an address by Ald. J. E. Carter, of Guelph, unanimously endorsed the city manager system of municipal government and recommended that the city council arrange for the holding of a referendum on that question at the time of the annual elections in January. The meeting also recommended the election of aldermen now in force in Guelph, that is to say, that the aldermen shall be elected for a period of three years, one-third of the entire membership of the council retiring each year; the mayor to be elected from the board of aldermen annually, and the entire membership of the council to consist of nine members.

Poolrooms Promise Propriety.

Windsor, Dec. 11.—The Windsor police commission and the poolroom proprietors of the city had a conference following complaints from citizens, at which the proprietors pledged their best efforts to have propriety and other offensive talk and misconduct barred from their establishments.

To Incorporate Synod.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—A bill is to be introduced the coming session of parliament to incorporate "the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada" for church government purposes and to enable it to acquire and dispose of property.

Montreal Car Victim Dies.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—Alphonse Soucy, one of the fifteen injured in the street car accident on Gouin Boulevard last Sunday, died last night, the first fatality from the accident. A fractured rib had penetrated his lung.

Grain in Store Increases.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—Grain in store at different public elevators throughout Canada on December 3rd increased over a million and a half bushels, as compared with the previous week.

MORAN KNOCKS OUT BECKETT

British Heavyweight Champion Defeated in London Friday Night.

London, Dec. 11.—Frank Moran, Pittsburg, knocked out Joe Beckett, English heavyweight, in the second round in Albert Hall here last night. In the first round Moran tried a left lead, but was caught with a right to the jaw. Moran then led with his right and clinched. He was warned by the referee. Beckett got in some good work in the second round, and again Moran closed in, trying short arm jabs which failed to land. Moran got in a hard smash, but Beckett quickly retaliated with a powerful right to the jaw. Beckett was floored with a crashing uppercut during some infighting and was counted out when he failed to rise. The end of the bout came amidst intense excitement. The knockout blow was Moran's first effort at real fighting. He put all his strength into the right upper cut, which landed on Beckett's chin and sent the British champion to the boards, where he rolled over and over, until counted out.

THE BRITISH FLAG RAISED UNDER SEA

A Ceremony That is Certainly Very Unique in Its Character.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 11.—The British flag has been raised under most unusual circumstances in the past, but probably the conditions were never stranger than those of a recent ceremony held at Swanson Bay, when two divers, nearly 100 feet below the surface of the sea, hoisted the ship's ensign on the flagstaff of the sunken Prince Rupert, which is now in process of being salvaged. One diver bent the colors to the halyards and slowly hoisted them, while his mate stood at the salute near by and sent to the surface through the telephone connected with his helmet the strains of the National Anthem.

Perfect Prune Will Soon Be Grown in America

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 10.—The "perfect prune" is soon to be grown in the United States, Prof. L. R. Detjen, of Delaware College, announced in an address before the 34th annual convention of the Peninsula Horticultural Society. Describing his super-prune, which is to be evolved from a domestic plum, Prof. Detjen said it would be the first time an American variety has been adopted to prune purposes, the output hitherto having been grown from European varieties.

Silence of Poet Laureate Discussed in Commons

London, Dec. 11.—Horatio Bottomley, in referring to the silence of the poet laureate, Dr. Bridges, on the occasion of the declaration of war, the poet laureate, Dr. Bridges, asked would the premier consider the question of appointing a national poet whose muse was more attuned to the soul of the British nation. Mr. McNeill asked whether, if the position were reversed, would the government would appoint Bottomley to fill it.

RED CROW'S WIDOW OFF TO THE GREAT BEYOND

The Old Veteran Was the Last of the Old Indian Fighters.
Lethbridge, Dec. 11.—The death at Galt hospital here, of the Indian squaw, Mrs. Red Crow, removes an association linked with the fame of Red Crow, a renowned warrior chief of the Blood Indians, whose name is still regarded with reverence in that it was passed onto the Prince of Wales when, in his visit to Lethbridge, he was created a chief of the Bloods by the Indians at that time assembled in the city. The late Mrs. Crow, was the fourth wife of the famous Red Crow, who died some 20 years ago.

CANNOT LIFT EMBARGO

But No Stir Implied on Health of Canadian Cattle.
London, Dec. 11.—Lord Lee, secretary of the ministry of agriculture, said in the House of Commons that his attention had been drawn to a statement by Hon. Manning Donoherty, Ontario minister of agriculture in Toronto, that the British embargo on cattle was a gross injustice to Canada. He reiterated his inability to remove the embargo, although he denied that any stir was implied on the health of Canadian cattle.

Lancashire Operatives Face Prospect of Hard Christmas

London, Dec. 11.—Lancashire cotton mill operatives are facing the prospect of a hard Christmas. Eighty thousand are already reported to be out of work, and other mills are expected to close for a protracted period. Several other industries in the north of England are also feeling the effects of the depressed business conditions, but it is reported that the building trades and iron foundries are unable to obtain a sufficient supply of labor. Eight thousand Lancashire cotton mill operators are out of work.

ASK COURSE FOR BUTTER MAKERS

Toronto, Dec. 11.—One of the resolutions passed by the convention of the Ontario branch of the Canadian Creamery Association here yesterday, requests the provincial government to introduce at Kingston and Guelph an annual six days' course for butter makers.

M. CASENAVE LEAVES FOR WASHINGTON

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—M. Casenave, the French high commissioner to the United States, who has been a guest of their excellencies the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire since Wednesday, left yesterday for Washington.

WAS A MEMBER OF "TERROR SQUAD"

A Man Arrested at Polesa, Italy, Makes That Boast.

Bologna, Italy, Dec. 11.—Police officials at Polesa have arrested a man who boasts that he is a member of a "terror squad," which is composed of twenty-four men who have plotted the assassination of public authorities. He asserts, according to the police, that he escaped from this city in an automobile with Municipal Councillor Armando Gossi, named Martelli. Both of them, he says, left him at Rimini, from which city they fled into the Republic of San Marino for refuge.

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MADE HIS WILL

On a Photograph Record—Is It Legal?
Chicago, Dec. 11.—Earl H. Reynolds, of the South Bend Elevator Company and a member of the board of Trade, has made his will on a photograph record. Attorneys J. J. E. and Francis J. Callahan dictated their names as the spoken signatures of witnesses.

FLOOD OF CANADIAN COIN

Forces Ogdensburg Merchants to Apply Discount.
Brockville, Dec. 11.—Because of being flooded with Canadian silver currency, the merchants of Ogdensburg, and practically the only center in Northern New York where Canadian silver has taken at par, are pledging themselves to take silver at the prevailing discount and pass it out on the same basis. The merchants, who do a large Canadian trade, claim that hundreds make a practice of taking silver to the Canadian side and exchanging it for Canadian currency, realizing handsomely on the transaction, and then flooding the Ogdensburg money market with Canadian silver. They claim that it is a rare thing in that city to see United States silver in circulation.

BABY BURNED TO DEATH

Lamp Fell on Crib, Setting Clothing on Fire.
Brockville, Dec. 11.—The eight-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. William Taber, of Brier Hill, N.Y., was burned to death by the overturning of a lamp on the table. The lamp fell on the child's crib and set fire to its clothing. When the mother returned to the room after an absence of a few minutes, she found the child lived a few hours.

Mr. Payne Denies Report Of Refusing Registrars

Brockville, Dec. 11.—G. Arthur Payne, of Cardinal, the defeated U. F. O. candidate in Grenville riding at the last provincial election, denies that it had been reported here recently that he had the refusal of the vacant registrarship of Leeds county. "The report of my refusal of the registrarship is absolutely wrong," says Mr. Payne. "I never asked for this directly or indirectly, and had never given it a thought."

Gift Voted by Ontario To University of Montreal

Quebec, Que., Dec. 11.—Hon. L. A. Tachereau, Premier of the Province of Quebec, has received a cheque for \$20,000 from Premier Drury, of Ontario, the amount voted by the Ontario government for the University of Montreal. A letter accompanying the cheque requests that it be forwarded to the university authorities.

Canal Work to Continue.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—Hon. Dr. Reid today denied the rumor that work on the Welland Canal will be discontinued at the end of December.

COAL EMBARGO PARTLY LIFTED

Exports From Canada Permitted Under Individual License System.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—The situation in regard to supplies of bituminous coal in Canada has improved to such an extent within the past few weeks that it has been found possible to export of bituminous coal from Canada, and shipments under individual license will now be allowed from the maritime province. However, should circumstances arise at any time to hinder the production or distribution of bituminous coal in Canada, these licenses may be refused by the Board of Railway Commissioners, who are in charge of fuel control and distribution.

Unless some difficulties at present unforeseen should arise in the next couple of months, it is hoped by officials of the board that it will be unnecessary to again prohibit the export of coal, but the necessity of securing a license for each shipment of coal out of the country will be a guard against any danger of shortage.

The production of bituminous coal in all the mining areas of the Dominion is stated to have shown a splendid increase during recent weeks, and little fear is now felt that there will be any shortage of bituminous coal to deal with.

In some regards the anthracite situation is also brighter, though some sections of the country have been experiencing difficulty in the matter of obtaining their full supplies. The amount of anthracite coal brought into Canada to the end of November this year was about 200,000 tons lower than the amount imported up to the same date last year.

To November 30th, 1920, imports totalled 3,442,000 tons, against 3,632,000 tons last year. However, while some districts have received less anthracite this year than last, others have had slightly more, and there is said to be a growing tendency among coal users to substitute bituminous coal whenever there is an indication of shortage of supply of the anthracite.

British Prime Minister To Get Salary Increase

London, Dec. 11.—It is understood that the Parliamentary Committee, which is revising the ministerial salary list, will recommend that the prime minister be granted ten thousand pounds yearly, without the salary readjustments without an additional burden on the taxpayer.

Jury "Tested" Pint Of Stolen Liquor

Trenton, N.J., Dec. 11.—A jury trying Edward Kuhn, of this city, for stealing fifty-one cases of whiskey valued at about \$4,000 from a warehouse here, returned a verdict of guilty, after a policeman had been put on the stand and testified, following his drinking of some of the stolen liquor, that it was real whiskey and after the jury had also taken a pint of it into the jury room to test whether or not it was real or spurious, the point on which Kuhn's conviction hinged.

Surgeons Strongly Hopeful On Thyroid Gland Operation

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Surgeons who grafted the thyroid gland of a monkey into the neck of Mary Sembeck, nineteen year old, "dungeon girl," refused to-day to predict success for endeavor to alleviate her arrested development, but said they were strongly hopeful. The girl was hidden by her parents at Joliet, Illinois, in a cellar from babyhood until, a few months ago, and had the body and mentality of a child of four years, physicians declared, when she was found.

After the Blind Pigs.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—It is announced that the newly incorporated citizens league will inaugurate a campaign against hundreds of blind pigs, which are claimed to be doing business in Ottawa and Hull.

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MARTIAL LAW IS PROCLAIMED

London, Dec. 11.—Martial law has been proclaimed by Dublin Castle over the city and county of Cork, the city and county of Limerick, and the counties of Tipperary and Kerry. Under the proclamation, persons who, without authority, possess arms or unauthorized uniform, must surrender them within a certain period, or become liable to court-martial and the death penalty.

BACK TO MAN WHO PAID \$5 FOR HER

Woman Leaves Farmer for Him Who Had Bought Her From Husband.

St. Catharines, Dec. 11.—Yesterday afternoon a man of about sixty-five, came to town and enlisted the aid of High Constable Richard E. Boyle, an agent of the Children's Aid Society, in getting back his wife, who, he said, had three weeks ago taken a job with a bachelor farmer to husk corn, and had failed to return home.

Agent Boyle and the man drove out to the farm and found the woman.

"This man wants you to go back home with him and attend to your duties as his wife," Mr. Boyle told her.

"Oh, he does, does he?" replied the woman. "Well, I want to tell you I'm not his wife at all."

"But I know myself you have been living with him for fifteen years or more," Mr. Boyle said.

"Oh, that's all right, too, but fifteen years ago this man came to my right husband and said he'd give him \$5 for me. My husband said 'all right,' and so we made the bargain. This man here has promised to marry me, and we're engaged, so I guess I'll stay with him."

Mr. Boyle, however, finally persuaded her to return to her old home, and the corn owner was left disconsolate.

A BIG PROCESSION TO MARRIAGE ALTAR

Italian Brides Met at Ellis Island by Prospective Husbands.

New York, Dec. 11.—Just before closing time in the marriage license bureau to-day the door swung open and in came Father G. Moretto, of St. Raphael Society, which cares for Italian immigrants.

"Ten on Monday, eleven to-day," said the priest to Eddie Hart, the clerk.

Then came a regular procession, twenty-two of them. The women, all Italians, arrived from Italy during the day, were met at Ellis Island by their prospective husbands, and taken immediately to the marriage bureau by the priest. After obtaining their licenses they were escorted to the chapel of St. Raphael's, where Father Moretto united them in marriage.

The weddings were the culmination of war romances. The bridegrooms were soldiers in the Italian army who had met their fiancées while in the services.

Will Not Train Orientals.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 11.—Orientals will not be permitted to train as nurses in the Vancouver General Hospital, at least until the matter has been given further consideration. This was decided at a meeting of the board of directors, which referred the whole question back to a special committee.

Big Wheat Surplus.

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 11.—It is estimated by the Australian wheat board that 5,000,000 bushels of wheat will be available for export before the next harvest. The acreage under wheat this year is 11,652,000, which nearly constitutes a record, having been exceeded only once, in 1915-16. The outlook for the coming crop is considered exceedingly favorable.

CRERAR GIVES TARIFF VIEWS

The National Progressive Party Sticks to Elimination of Protection.

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—Speaking at a public meeting here last night, along with Premier Drury, Hon. T. A. Crerar, defining the position of the National Progressive party on the tariff, said:

"Our eyes are set on the goal of elimination of protection as a principle in our fiscal policy. We propose to reach that goal by stages that will make it as easy as possible for our industries to adjust themselves to it. During this period, revenues will, of course, come from the tariff, and there is no reason why customs duties cannot continue as in Britain, afford a very considerable portion of our revenue, and, if need be, the principle of countervailing the excise tax can be applied in this way, compelling the home manufacturer to contribute his share to the national treasury."

ARE ORDERED BACK INTO CHURCH FOLD

Twenty-six Christian Scientists Had Been Expelled From Church.

New York, Dec. 11.—Twenty-six members of the congregation of the First Church of Christ Scientists of Manhattan, who had been dropped from the rolls because of their alleged failure to regularly attend services, procured their reinstatement yesterday in Supreme Court.

Counsel for trustees of the church consented to application of writs of mandamus obtained before Supreme Court Justice Hotchkiss yesterday, and the deposed members automatically were restored to full rights. They claimed they had been dropped without due notice and an opportunity for a hearing. This contention was sustained by the trustees.

The twenty-six members that they were not guilty of charges made by trustees that they failed to attend church which the church by-laws provide for dismissal. They asserted the real reason for their being dropped was because of their being out of the church was a factional quarrel.

The Kitchener Firemen Prefer Two-platoon Plan

Kitchener, Dec. 11.—As a result of the petition which has been signed by the members of the local fire department and which will be handed to the mayor and council, this city will be saved at least \$6,000 a year. The petition sets forth that the members of the local department are opposed to the one day off each week, as provided in the recent act passed by the Ontario legislature in regulating the hours of labor in all fire departments in Ontario. The law requires that a municipality cannot force the members of the department to work any more than six days a week, which action provides for a weekly holiday for all firemen. The members of the local department are perfectly satisfied with the two-platoon system under which they are at present working, and which requires them to work in two shifts, the men working nights for two weeks and then changing about and working days.

DOCTOR IS ACQUITTED

French Refused to Convict in Deaths of Girls.

Paris, Dec. 11.—After a fortnight's careful consideration the French judges at Nimes have decided that a non-committal verdict is best in the case in which the parents of two girls brought suit against a doctor for damages for the death of the girls while under his medical care. The case against the doctor was that he employed an unskilled nurse, and did not follow the prescribed treatment. The father of the girls, Commandant Arnaud, sued for 200,000 francs, and a charge of criminal negligence was brought against the doctor. The court has brought in a verdict acquitting the doctor, refusing damages to Commandant Arnaud and at the same time refusing the counter-claim for any franc damages brought by the doctor. Commandant Arnaud will have to pay the costs.

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