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## ALL NATIONS MUST COMBINE

### In the League of Nations, Declares Premier Lloyd George.

London, Dec. 22.—Premier Lloyd George, presiding at a luncheon given to-day in the House of Commons for the British and Dominion delegates to the recent league of nations assembly in Geneva, declared the league would never achieve its real progress until all nations were represented. Lloyd George said he looked forward hopefully to the United States coming into the league. This, he asserted, was essential.

## TEARING DOWN HUTS, TWENTY MEN AT WORK

Forty Cents an Hour Paid—100 Men May Later be Employed.

The work of tearing down the huts at Bessfield commons is under way. On Tuesday morning twenty men commenced the work. This number will be gradually increased until there are about one hundred men on the job. The only men being given work are those who saw service during the great war.

## ALD. KENT ON BENCH; THREE TIPPLERS UP

One Was Fined and the Two Others Were Remanded.

Ald. R. E. Kent handled the scales of justice at the police court on Wednesday morning, in the absence of Magistrate Parnell.

## MAY BUILD SEWERS TO EMPLOY MEN

The Civic Authorities Have the Matter Under Consideration.

The civic authorities are working on a plan which may give work to fifty men during the winter. If a scheme can be devised whereby a couple of sewers in the outskirts of the city can be constructed during the winter, they will be undertaken.

## Steal Drugs From Constable's Office

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Opium, cocaine and morphine, to the value of seventy thousand dollars, were stolen from the vault in the private office of High Constable St. Mars during last night. Burglars smashed the window in the office, opened a drawer of the desk containing the key to the vault, and with the key secured access to the strong room. They took out two trunks containing the drugs, and made away in an automobile. The robbery was committed in the face of four watchmen stationed on the premises.

## TRAIN TRAGEDY NEAR PETROGRAD

London, Dec. 22.—A Central News despatch from Helsingfors, Finland, under Tuesday's date, says that several hundred persons were killed or injured in a railway accident near Petrograd. The accident was due, it is stated, to overcrowding of the train, but the details are lacking, the despatch adds.

## GOVERNMENT ACTED WISELY, SAYS WHITE

### In Removing the Luxury Tax at the Present Time.

Toronto Dec. 22.—"The government has acted wisely in removing the luxury tax and in doing so at the present time, instead of waiting until next budget," said Sir Thomas White, formerly minister of finance. "The abolition of the tax will undoubtedly prove a stimulus to business."

## AUSTRALIA WINS CRICKET MATCH

Sydney, Australia, Dec. 22.—Australia won the first test match from England to-day by 357 runs. Australia's fielding in England's second innings today was brilliant, and they were boasting spectacularly with the slipshod work of the British cricketers yesterday.

## EXCITING RACE OVER OCEAN

The Carmania Leads the Imperator, Nieuw Amsterdam and Savoie.

New York, Dec. 22.—Victorious in a thrilling race lasting three days in which she vanquished three other passenger liners, the Carmania, from Liverpool by the way of Queenstown, docked Monday at the foot of West Third street.

## TORONTO POOL ROOMS RAIDED BY POLICE

Who Arrest All Who Had Firearms or Who Looked Suspicious.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Every pool room in Toronto was raided by the police last night after the personal direction of the chief, S. J. Dickson. The inmates were lined up and searched, and any possessing firearms or drugs, or failing to satisfy questions asked them were placed under arrest.

## Great Powers Warn Spain Against Unfair Trade Tax

London, Dec. 22.—Representatives of the great powers in Madrid have prepared a warning to Spain to the effect that they view with disfavor attempts of certain elements in the Cortes to strangle foreign enterprises in Spain through high taxation and other means, it was announced here.

## One Hundred Laborers Executed in Petrograd

London, Dec. 22.—A serious labor riot occurred recently in Petrograd, says a Helsingfors despatch under yesterday's date in which many persons were killed or injured. The riot was crushed, and a hundred laborers were executed, the despatch adds. The trouble started when the Soviet authorities refused the demand of the city laborers for more food and the shortening of the working day, which is sixteen hours.



FIREMEN FIGHT LIVERPOOL FLAMES. First photographs of the recent fires on the Liverpool docks, supposed to be of Sinn Fein origin.

## SON BETRAYS FATHER'S TRUST

### C. H. Cahan, K.C., Weeps As He Tells of Son's Defalcation.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—One of the most pathetic and tragic cases in the history of Canada was disclosed yesterday afternoon before Justice MacLennan in the Superior Court when the Corporation Agencies Limited, sued the Home Bank of Canada for \$209,028.12, representing alleged defalcations of C. H. Cahan, Jr. K. C. son of C. H. Cahan, K. C. the widely known corporation lawyer. Mr. Cahan, senior, the chief witness of the afternoon, after giving evidence in a courageous, frank and clear manner, broke down and wept when he told the court how he had trusted his boy with full power of attorney to transact his business during his father's absence, and how he had returned home from abroad to find his son betrayed, that his son had absconded and the family fortune was a wreck.

## POOR RELIEF FUND

The fund which the Whig is collecting to help in sending out cheer to needy families continues to increase. Up until Wednesday morning, the sum of \$159 had been received at the Whig office. On Tuesday afternoon the ladies who will be in charge of the distribution had a meeting and decided on the names of the people who will receive baskets for Christmas.

## LABOR PROBLEM VERY SERIOUS

### British Government Can Do Little In the Way of Solution.

London, Dec. 22.—The government, in its statement to parliament yesterday, was able to give but little satisfaction to labor's demand for a resolution of the unemployment problem which daily grows more urgent. Of the three main difficulties facing the government at the present moment—finance, Ireland and unemployment—it is reported that the government views unemployment as the most serious. This is probably because the recent slump in trade aggravates the trouble and eliminates the hope of betterment in the near future.

## Entrance Examination For Paymaster Cadets

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—An examination for entrance of paymaster cadets in the Royal Canadian Navy will be held by the Civil Service Commission early in January. The candidates elected will probably be sent to England for preliminary training in ships of the Royal Navy, before receiving an appointment as accountant officer in Canadian ships.

## MRS. SMALL CAUSES ARREST OF COUPLE

Toronto, Dec. 22.—David Verrille and wife a young couple who arrived here three weeks ago from Milwaukee, were yesterday arrested, charged with attempt to obtain one thousand dollars under false pretences from Mrs. Ambrose Small. The story they tried to work was that Mr. Small was being held for ransom in Detroit. In letters to Mrs. Small, they affected to ridicule Detective Austin Mitchell. Mrs. Small conferred with the latter, and had him on hand when Mrs. Verrille met her agreeable to appointment. The woman was promptly arrested, and the husband was roped in later.

## FEARS ANOTHER BIG WAR.

Bishop Clark, of Niagara, Issues Gloomy Pastoral.

Hamilton, Dec. 22.—Bishop Clark, of Niagara, in a Christmas pastoral, states that everything seems to tend to another war—a war worse than the last one—unless men of good will from all nations get together and prevent it. His Lordship pictures conditions in Europe as very dark, with war and famine still raging.

## SILVER MINERS MAY ACCEPT LOWER WAGES

### Not Averse to Such Plan of Co-operation to Keep Mines Operating.

Cobalt, Dec. 22.—It is learned from a representative of the men that the workmen in the Cobalt district are not averse to being approached on the wage question as a means of finding a way to keep the mines all working at a reduced cost, which will permit the balance to remain on the proper side of the ledger.

## Refund of Luxury Taxes Not to be Made

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Those who may have been hoping to secure rebates of luxury tax charged on articles bought, perhaps late last Saturday night, and returned to the storekeeper Monday, are doomed to disappointment. It was stated, in respect of goods sold previous to the 20th instant on which luxury tax had been charged, no refund would be granted in the event of the goods being returned.

## Shocks May Mean Upheaval in Pacific

Tokio, Dec. 22.—A naval wireless message from the Island of Yap in the South Pacific Ocean announces that earthquake shocks occurred in the vicinity of the island lasting several days.

## MAY IMPOSE A LAND TAX

Incomes to Pay More—Government May Extend Sales Tax.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—It is regarded here as inevitable that next year new sources of taxation will be tapped.

## ANOTHER TAX IS TO EXPIRE

### Business Profits Tax in Force Only Till End of Year.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—The liability to taxation under the business profits tax expires on the 31st of December, and it will lapse unless at the next session of parliament it is renewed by statute. Officially there may be no announcement in the matter until the budget is delivered, but the view is openly expressed here that this will be the last year in which the tax will be payable.

## PRICES IN BRITAIN COME DOWN SLOWLY

### Reduction in Cost of Living Shown in Labor Minister's Statistics.

London, Dec. 22.—For the first time in some months a reduction in the cost of living is shown by statistics of the Ministry of Labor. On December 1st, the average level of retail prices, including food, rent, clothing, fuel, light and budget, was 189 per cent. above that of July, 1914, as compared with 176 per cent. on November 1st.

## Everyone Beware of Yawn or Hiccough

Paris, Dec. 22.—If your street cat neighbor yawns or hiccoughs it might be a good idea to leave the car as a safety precaution. The French Academy of Medicine has decided that either symptom is contagious and may spread the epidemic of a disease known as encephalitis lethargica, which has appeared all over Europe. Thousands of victims of sleeping sickness have been reported here since the disease first appeared, but the majority of cases are mild. Fewer than a score have developed fatal complications.

## Passenger Rates Advanced On United States Railways

Albany, N.Y., Dec. 22.—Passenger traveling to and from Canada on the New York Central and Delaware and Hudson railroads will be affected by increased passenger fare rates which became effective on those lines to-day. Under the new rates, authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission, the 20 per cent. increase brings the fare up to 3.6 cents a mile, compared with 3 cents a mile authorized during the war.

## Heavy Fighting In County Tipperary

Dublin, Dec. 22.—Heavy fighting has taken place between large forces of civilians on one side and soldiers and police on the other, in the section lying between Callan, county Kilkenny, and Glenharrow, county Tipperary. Military and police were ambushed at not less than three different places, Monday, and numerous casualties resulted on both sides. These included Sergeant Walsh, Royal Irish constabulary, killed; some soldiers, number unknown, killed; ten or fifteen civilians killed, and Sergeant Shannon and several other soldiers wounded. About thirty civilians were wounded or captured.