

BRITAIN FOR OPEN DOOR

Far Eastern Alliance Problem Looms As a Difficult One.

Washington, Nov. 17.—Four outstanding features of the official British viewpoint on China's proposals on the far eastern question were emphasized tonight by the highest authority: Great Britain reiterates that she is in full agreement with the open door policy. She regards the "sphere of influence" as antiquated and unsuitable to modern conditions. The Panama canal is not regarded as a specific question and will not be urged on the consideration of the conference. The Anglo-Japanese alliance is not regarded by the British as directly involved in the Chinese proposals for settlement of the far eastern question, although it may be drawn into the discussion at a later stage. By the same authority, it was said, that consideration of far eastern questions will proceed at once upon the basis of the proposition submitted today by the Chinese delegates. While the British viewpoint is that the Anglo-Japanese alliance is not directly involved in any of the Chinese proposals submitted today, the British would welcome some kind of an agreement between the great powers or even one limited to America, Japan and Great Britain to replace it. This is founded on the feeling that there is need for some co-operative action in the interest of peace and the prosperity of the people. No proposition concerning readjustment of foreign indebtedness to the United States resulting from the war will be advanced by the British delegates. Evidence that the subject is not in contemplation for consideration is afforded by the fact that there are no financial experts attached to the British representation. In fact there is every evidence that the British instructions contemplate a very strict adherence to the agenda proposed by the United States as a basis for the conference. It is known that the French delegation is of the same mind, a fact which is believed to explain the expectations of both the British and French delegates of a speedy and successful termination of the conference.

THE TREATY FIXES NAVY ON THE LAKES

Decisive Reply to Militant Americans Who Oppose Fleet Reduction.

New York, Nov. 17.—The World in commenting on the argument advanced by opponents of the disarmament plan, that the provision in the United States constitution providing that Congress shall have power "to provide and maintain a navy" leaves it impossible for the President and the Senate to make a treaty fixing the size of the United States navy for a period of ten years, says: "The answer is that for more than 103 years the naval strength of the United States and Great Britain on the Great Lakes has been limited by a treaty, regardless of the constitutional power of Congress. This agreement was defined by President Monroe in a formal proclamation issued April 28, 1818, in these terms: "The naval forces to be maintained upon the American lakes by his Majesty and the Government of the United States shall henceforth be confined to the following vessels on each side, that is: "On Lake Ontario to one vessel not exceeding 100 tons burden, and armed with one 18-pound cannon. "On the Upper Lakes to two vessels not exceeding like burden each, and armed with like force. "On the waters of Lake Champlain to one vessel not exceeding like burden, and armed with like force. "All other armed vessels on these lakes shall be forthwith dismantled, and no other vessels of war shall be there built or armed." "No agreement reached in Washington can be more rigid than this."

HUSBAND AND WIFE



My husband goes to sleep while he is reading and always drops his paper on the floor.—E. H. What Does Your Husband Do?

CITIZENS ALLOWED TO BREW OWN BEER

Nothing in Acts Prohibiting the Manufacture for Home Consumption.

Toronto, Nov. 17.—Legal authorities at the Ontario parliament buildings confirm an announcement made by the collector of inland revenue, that it is legal for a citizen, upon notifying the department, to brew beer upon his own premises. It was stated there is nothing in the Inland Revenue Act, the Ontario Temperance Act or the Scott Act to prohibit the manufacture of beer for home consumption. According to explanations advanced today the Inland Revenue Act is a law solely to protect the revenue sources of the government.

FIFTY-EIGHT PERSONS BELIEVED DROWNED

Manilla, P.I., Nov. 17.—Fifty-eight persons, many women and children, are believed to have perished in the wreck of the Inter-Island steamer Maria Luisa which foundered yesterday near Mariveles, close to the entrance to the bay. Seventy-two others were picked up by the steamer Setkal Maru for Japan.

ULSTER STANDS FIRM IN ITS IRISH ATTITUDE

And Threatens to Publish the Correspondence in the Negotiations.

London, Nov. 17.—Ulster's reply to the latest government communication on the Irish question indicates that the north stands firm in the attitude it has taken. Ulster representatives threaten to publish correspondence in the negotiations, complaining that secrecy was not maintained by the government.

Likely to Sustain Premier.

London, Nov. 17.—Confidence that the prime minister's attitude toward Ulster in the Irish peace negotiations will be sustained in the national conference of the Unionist party increased among government supporters at the meeting convened at ten o'clock this morning at Liverpool.

CONGRATULATES BALFOUR

General Assembly Moderator Sends Him A Telegram. Winnipeg, Nov. 17.—The following telegram has been sent to Right Hon. Arthur Balfour: "In the name of the Presbyterian church of Canada and as a moderator of its general assembly, I beg leave to congratulate you, and through you the members of the disarmament conference now convening in Washington upon the auspicious opening of the conference and especially to congratulate you upon the noble and generous acceptance by you and the British delegation of the proposals of President Harding. In spite of their record of devotion and sacrifice in the great war, the people of Canada hate war and passionately desire world peace. May the God of Peace so direct the counsels of the conference that world disarmament may be carried to the utmost limit consistent with international security. (Signed) CHARLES W. GORDON, (Ralph Connor) Moderator General Assembly Presbyterian church of Canada."

GEORGE W. ECCLES FOUND DEAD IN CHICAGO HOTEL

His Company Installed the New Kingston Gas Holder Lining Last Year.

Word was received in the city on Wednesday that George W. Eccles, managing director of the Davis & Farnham Company that installed the steel lining for Kingston's new gas holder, and with whom a dispute arose regarding over-payment of his account, was found dead in his room in a Chicago hotel on Tuesday. He was dead three days before discovery, according to facts disclosed at the investigation. A new chambermaid was in charge of the corridor of rooms and apparently did not understand the hotel rules that required her to report any room locked.

Thinks Illicit Liquor Traffic Is Broken Up

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 17.—Conclusive conferences here today with Michigan and Canadian liquor officers, Roy A. Haynes, federal prohibition commissioner, expressed confidence that the illicit liquor traffic on the border was being broken up. He renewed his appeal for public support of the liquor law enforcement.

"Soldier" Jones lasted thirty seconds with Tommy Gibbons at Windsor Wednesday night. The jury is not yet completed in the Arbutle trial at San Francisco.

WIFE FOUND NOT GUILTY

Of Causing Death of Her Husband, Robert Lee, By Poisoning.

Orangeville, Nov. 17.—After an absence of a little over two hours, the jury which has been trying Mrs. Mabel Lee in the charges here on a charge of murdering her husband by poisoning him at Rosemount last August returned into court last night with a verdict of not guilty. As the foreman of the jury announced the words the prisoner leaned over the dock, clapped her counsel, Charles R. McKeown, K.C., on the shoulder, and shouted excitedly: "Charley! Charley! Oh, Charley!" "I think gentlemen," said Justice Latchford, when the jury had given its verdict, "it was difficult in the absence of rebuttal, for you to arrive at any other verdict; but I trust that the result will not make the poisoning of husbands popular as an indoor sport in this county."

The verdict came at the end of a day full of dramatic incidents. One of the most pathetic features was the appearance in court of the prisoner's two little daughters, who occupied a prominent place near the jury box. They sat throughout the morning and afternoon in a large armchair with their arms round each other's necks, the picture of despair, sobbing from time to time.

C. R. McKeown, K.C., had just started his defense, when the prisoner broke out into loud sobs and the two children joined in.

"Those children must be removed from court," said Mr. Justice Latchford sternly; "they are here for a purpose."

The accused, examined by her counsel, admitted having purchased strychnine and arsenic as described by the Crown witnesses. The first purchase of strychnine, she said was to kill a dog. She used a portion to kill the dog and the balance she burned in the stove.

Later the family moved to Rosemount, and there her rats in the house. She purchased more strychnine, all of which, she said, she put in some chop and placed it in the cellar. She found five dead rats as a result. From that day in July until the present, she declared, she had not seen any strychnine, nor had she handled it.

Mrs. Lee said that after her husband had paid his insurance money on the Tuesday prior to his death, he handed the receipt over to her and said: "Take care of that, for that is the last insurance I will ever pay."

ATTACK GIRL AND BIND HER TO A GAS TUBE

Closes Burners With Her Teeth, Calls Help and Then Faints.

Doylestown, Pa., Nov. 17.—Bound hand and foot to a gas stove by a negro and a white man who had attacked her, Miss Stella Velley, 22, probably saved her life by turning off with her teeth the burners that had been opened wide to asphyxiate her.

"Posses to-day searched for the girl's assailants. Miss Velley was alone in the home of friends with whom she had lived for years. She answered a summons at the kitchen door, and upon opening it found herself confronted by a negro and a white man. Screaming, Miss Velley rushed into the dining room, where she was overtaken. When she regained consciousness she was again in the kitchen, securely tied to the gas stove, every burner of which had been turned on.

Although dazed by the gas fumes she had inhaled, Miss Velley twisted herself around and managed to turn off the gas cocks, one by one, with her teeth. A few minutes later she released herself from her bonds by untying the knots with her teeth. She dragged herself to a telephone in another room and whispered a plea for help to the operator. The operator sent Dr. G. A. Parker to the scene. He found the girl unconscious.

LAPPED THE FIELD

In the Twenty-Four Hour Bicycle Race in New York. New York, Nov. 17.—Three teams engaged in twenty-four hour bicycle grind at Madison Square Garden, which started last night, lapped the field by spurring early to-day. They were: Grenda and Clarke, McNamara and McBeath, and Lang and Lands, and they travelled 165 miles from eleven o'clock last night to seven o'clock this morning.

Fatal Railway Collision. Chicago, Nov. 17.—More than a score of passengers were injured, several probably fatally in a collision between two trains on the Chicago-Oak Park elevated railroad to-day.

IT WILL NOT AFFECT THE NAVAL DOCKYARDS

Great British Government Plants Will Have All They Can Do.

London, Nov. 17.—Commander Carlyou Bellaire, M.P., a naval officer for eighteen years, in supporting the Huges' proposal answered the objection of British critics who fear the ten-year holiday because of its possible effect on the naval dockyards.

"As a matter of fact the primary duty of the great government yards is to keep the ships in repair and they will still have that to do. The Germans in building up their navy gave all the work to private establishments, using the government yards only for that which the private builders could not handle quickly. As for the private establishments which manufacture war material, they have shown themselves very adaptable, and in England have gone far in the direction of beating swords into ploughshares. They are already on more than a fifty-fifty basis in devoting themselves to productive, industrial work rather than the destructive side."



MRS. MABEL LEE acquitted on charge of poisoning her husband, the late Robert Lee, Rosemount.

WILLIE HOPPE WON

Defeated Roger Conti in Chicago Tourney. Chicago, Nov. 17.—Willie Hoppe, world's balk-line champion, defeated Roger Conti, of France, 400 to 183, in Tuesday's game of world's 13.2 balk-line billiard championship tournament. The match went six innings.

Hoppe's high run was 175 and his average 66 2-3. Conti's high run was 150 and his average 37 3-5. In the second afternoon game Jake Schaefer, Jr., defeated George Sutton, 260 to 260, in seven innings.

Schaefer made a high run of 187 in the sixth inning and went out in the seventh period with an unfinished run of 144. His average was 57 1-7. Sutton's high run was 148 and his average 37 1-7.

LARGE WHEAT MOVEMENT VIA VANCOUVER ROUTE

Plans to Ship Coal to Oriental Ports Via That Route.

Winnipeg, Nov. 17.—Announcement was made in Winnipeg yesterday that there is to be a very large movement of wheat this winter via the Vancouver route to Europe. Harbor Commissioner McClay, of Vancouver, is in Winnipeg en route to Montreal. He said he had received wires of inquiry from several big firms doing an international grain brokerage business with headquarters in New York, as to the possibility of being able to get cargo space out of Vancouver via the canal for an average of 30,000 tons of grain a month this winter. Among others were inquiries from Charles Marsh, of the International Chartering Company Produce Exchange, New York. His reply was that all the cargo space desired could be provided in the port of Vancouver.

The New Yorkers have purchased heavily of grain for this route from the Alberta-Pacific Elevator Co. and other firms. They have advised him that they had secured a rate approximately \$6 per long ton, Vancouver to Liverpool, which was considered favorable. McClay added that while in the east he would be discussing the plans with the government about moving coal to Oriental ports out of Vancouver port and would advise cargo space on the Merchant Marine ships. McClay believed the movement of wheat and coal via the Vancouver gateway would be heavy this winter.

The three political parties are bringing heavy artillery to Ontario for the winnow campaign. West York will likely accept Sir Henry Drayton as candidate. Unionists gather in Liverpool, England for convention. Public ownership assists Toronto's credit in New York.

POWERS AIMS NOW CLEAR

Britain to Use Anglo-Japanese Treaty to Drive a Bargain.

By David Lawrence. Washington, Nov. 17.—Enough has developed here already to determine what the general course of the various nations at the armament conference is to be. Now that the public sessions are temporarily at an end it is important to know the principles and motives which are guiding the different powers in the secret committee meetings where, after all, the real conclusions will be reached, for, as Bernard Shaw once said, principles are always easily settled, but it is "the details that cause divorces."

First, Great Britain is sincerely trying to bring about a reduction in the cost of naval armament and is ready to agree in entirety to the American proposal about scrapping large battleships, but is sensitive about the future development of the submarine and aeroplane. If the truth were told, there is a good deal more fear of those two weapons of warfare than naval experts like to admit. They are the real "details" of the naval proposals. The question of shipyards for replacement and repairs will give little difficulty.

British to Bargain.

As yet nothing has been said publicly about the Anglo-Japanese alliance, but the British delegations know the American view. Great Britain appears ready to give up the Anglo-Japanese alliance, but will use it as a bargaining point to gain from the United States either an understanding about the funding of war debts or concessions in respect of naval matters.

Second, Japan is rather eager for reduction of naval armament, but desires to use the submarine and to obtain permission to build cruising submarines big enough to operate at great distances from home. This coincides with the wish of American naval experts, too, who believe the offensive submarine is a valuable arm for possible operations in the Pacific. Great Britain has the humanitarian argument, however, and will emphasize it constantly, and probably his view will prevail, for it is easy to get public opinion aroused even to the point, perhaps, of abolishing submarines altogether, because of the fact that their only practicable use is by inhuman raids on surface craft.

Japan's real aim at this conference is not naval armament, which seems easy to adjust, but far eastern affairs. She wants a more or less free hand in China. Baron Kato is reported as saying that "he upheld the United States would not unduly interfere" in China. That is the crux of the whole thing.

France Preparing.

Third, France is an onlooker in matters of naval armament, but her part is none the less influential. Premier Briand has been manoeuvring to draw Italy to his side but the truth is Italy is watching the United States and will follow. Secretary Hughes more than Premier Briand, France is interested not only in reducing land armament but in placing emphatically before the world her case against Germany on reparations and national security. The French realize they have not made a convincing impression as to their need for a large standing army. Premier Briand is preparing a master stroke. He will soon offer to give up the expense of that army if guarantees of national security are given. France and if the powers including the United States will somehow underwrite the payment by Germany of her debts. If such a move leads to a discussion informally of war debts as a whole Great Britain will be found beside France urging a world readjustment of war debts either through a special international conference or through an agreement to be reached at Washington.

Fourth, China will ask for more peace she probably will get. She wants the world to make new and practical professions guaranteeing her territorial integrity and political independence. She wants the powers to give back some of the rights they now have. She wants, if possible, the right to regulate her own tariff. She will fight to the last ditch to be protected against Japanese aggression. Her delegates will make the fight of their lives here.

Find on Flyleaf of Book Prayer by Stevenson

Saranac, N.Y., Nov. 17.—At the annual meeting of the Stevenson Society of America, held here last night, a prayer, found on the flyleaf of a dictionary belonging to Stevenson, and it was stated, hitherto unpublished, was read by Dr. Lawrence Brown.

The book was purchased in a New York bookstore and the prayer was in the handwriting of Stevenson. The dictionary has been presented to the society by Dr. Brown.

BIG CARGO OF EELS RUSHED AT TOP SPEED

Shipment From Quebec in Special Barges Going to New York.

Ogdensburg, N.Y., Nov. 17.—Three specially built barges carrying 155,000 live eels valued at \$100,000 consigned from Quebec to New York are on their way up the St. Lawrence and will follow the Champlain route to the Hudson river. The barges draw only four feet of water and are 130 feet long. Five men are in charge. Each barge contains a series of open tanks. The fish are being consigned to New York by a Quebec corporation which has been dealing in eels the past few years. Each one weighs from eight to ten pounds and they will sell for ten to twelve cents a pound in New York.

The tug which is towing the unique cargo is being driven at top speed in order that the tow may get through the canal before cold weather causes a freeze. A year ago this time a similar cargo was brought up the river and forwarded to New York via the barge canal.



CHATHAM'S NEW MAYOR James W. Harrington, mayor-elect of Chatham for 1922. Under Chatham's new municipal system elections are held in November and the mayor is elected for two years. Mayor Harrington is a former alderman.

ONTARIO APPLES A FEATURE.

Provincial Exhibit Opens Eyes of British Fruit Growers. Toronto, Nov. 17.—William C. Noxon, Agent-General for Ontario in Great Britain, in communicating particulars of the Imperial fruit show held in London, England, at the beginning of this month, to the department of agriculture, writes: "There never has been such a wonderful display of apples at any time previously held in Great Britain. The past season had been a very good one for British growers, and they had risen to the occasion. Canada was well represented, both in the overseas section and in the British empire section. The display of Ontario apples was acknowledged by experts to be one of the outstanding features of the show."

The agent-general adds that the number of inquiries tend to show there is a great number of experienced farmers and fruit growers in the old country who are seriously considering the question of emigration to Canada.

CATTLE EXPORT REVIVAL FROM CANADA TO BRITAIN

Thirty Thousand Head Shipped From Montreal so Far This Year.

Montreal, Nov. 17.—A splendid revival of the Canadian export cattle trade to Great Britain is now to be recorded as far as this part is concerned. Thirty thousand head of Canadian cattle have already been shipped to Britain during the past six months. Embargo or no embargo, it is predicted next season will see a great increase in what was once one of the basic exports of Canada. In 1920 no cattle were shipped, in 1915, 12,428 head were shipped but this season's figures give promise of returning to the days of a decade and a half ago when early one hundred thousand head were shipped across annually.

Many of the mixed farmers of Ontario who come down here with their own cattle are accompanying them over as tenders to the yards at Birkhead and looking into local conditions there with a view to signing up the market. This move is being encouraged by the steamship companies with the result they will be brought back to Canada free of charge beside drawing pay for their services.

Auto Fell Through Bridge, Killing Six Persons

Johnstown, Pa., Nov. 17.—Six persons were killed here early this morning when an auto in which they were riding crashed through the guard rails of the Woodvale bridge spanning the Pennsylvania railroad cut and fell to the tracks fifty feet below. The car overturned as it fell, planning the passengers underneath.

Its Attitude Not Refined.

Toronto, Nov. 17.—The Ontario Motor League has not yet defined its attitude toward the suggested one-cent per gallon tax on gasoline. "We take the position," said the secretary to-day, "that the province should give up the roads before increasing our taxation."

ROOMS NOT BIG ENOUGH

To Accommodate Campbell's Throng of Workers—Additional Building Engaged.

The enthusiasm for John M. Campbell in his election campaign is very great. The committee rooms on Princess street were literally swamped by crowds of workers on Wednesday evening. "This is the boomerang effect of the scandalous statement of the Standard on Tuesday, that Mr. Campbell would withdraw from the contest," said his campaign managers to the Whig. "The report of Mr. Campbell's big meeting in Portsmouth where he was received by an overflowing hall has had its immediate effect."

Only two ward meetings were scheduled to take place Wednesday evening but the enthusiasm of the Campbell supporters, who are hourly increasing in numbers, made it evident to the executive that larger accommodation was needed, and needed at once.

"Never in the history of the Liberal party have I seen anything like this spontaneous response to an behalf of a candidate," said a member. "We cannot do any work here at all," and must obtain several large rooms for the separate accommodation of four or five ward committees."

At once a committee was directed to secure the needed rooms and have them in readiness for Thursday evening in order that the main committee hall may be relieved of the congestion due to overcrowding. There were several hundred men in this main headquarters during the evening. All volunteered their services to help elect Mr. Campbell, and asked to be assigned to the different sub-committees, or wherever their services were of most value.

M. Sullivan, a member of the executive, addressed the gathering and stated that provision would be made at once for the accommodation of all and their services would be utilized to the fullest extent. He expressed, on behalf of Mr. Campbell, his deep appreciation of the admirable response shown in such a signal manner by those who were out to make his election an assured fact. Such enthusiasm, he said, was never before seen in Kingston at any election, and it is clearly evident that the people are dissatisfied with conditions as they are now throughout the country, and want a change. "They are looking to the business men and not to the partisan professional politicians to bring about that change, and they see in John M. Campbell, a Kingston business man, with vision, initiative and resource."

The local contest is warming up and feeling is growing keen. The report was in circulation on Wednesday evening that W. R. Givens, who is directing the Conservative campaign, was in Toronto using his influence to secure Sir Henry Drayton a seat. It was a matter of general comment that the Standard failed to report Campbell's meeting at Portsmouth Tuesday night, and the residents of the village feel indignant at being neglected in this manner for, being a part of the constituency of Kingston, their votes are just as good as those of any city ward. The Standard, they say, should have some respect for the people of Portsmouth.

BOOZE EXPERT SHOWS HE'S NOT VERY INSANE

Judge Released Him After He Told About Making Homebrew.

New York, Nov. 17.—Antonio Parrillo, who on his wife's complaint was committed to the Central state hospital for the insane on July 1st after he had drunk some home-made hooch and attacked her, answered readily all questions put to him by Justice Kelby in the Brooklyn supreme court on the hearing of a writ of habeas corpus procured by his nephew, Sylvio de Thomas, who sought his uncle's release so he could take him to his home in Providence, R. I. Antonio's wife, Elizabeth, had testified Parrillo made his own whiskey. "How did you make it?" inquired Justice Kelby. "Oh, a few prunes, a little sugar, a little water," replied Parrillo. "Let it boil a while, stand a while and then drink it. It's 90-proof." "How did you know it was 90-proof?" "I tested it with a United States custom house hydrometer." Justice Kelby thereupon decided Parrillo isn't crazy and released him.

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