

POINCARÉ TO FORM CABINET

General Regret in France Over the Resignation of Premier Briand.

Paris, Jan. 13.—The resignation of Premier Briand has caused general regret among the public and in many political circles and newspapers...

Sarrault to Continue. Washington, Jan. 13.—President Millerand has directed M. Sarrault, head of the French delegation here, to continue in that capacity until the end of the conference.

STAGGERING TO PORT WITH 1,000 ON BOARD

U.S. Transport Crook, Partially Disabled, Fights to Reach Land.

New York, Jan. 13.—Buffeted by mountainous, gale-swept seas, leaking, and partially disabled by engine trouble the army transport Crook last night doggedly maintained her fight to reach land with her 1,000 foreign service veterans, war brides and children.

Wireless messages picked up at Governor's Island reported the troopship still several hundred miles at sea, but steaming toward New York at a two-knot clip.

Despatches from the transport declared the morale of all on board was high, unshaken by last night's disaster to man the lifeboats and prepare to desert the foundering vessel.

Women, they said, hung over the rails, laughing and joking with the men, who sang as they made all ready to meet the catastrophe, if it should occur. Many, however, were seasick.

STILL IN BELLEVILLE HOUSE

Illness Revenue Officials Make Seizure and Three Arrests.

Belleville, Jan. 13.—C. McFee, chief illness revenue collector and W. J. Cook, deputy collector, in company with Sergt. Boyd of the local police and License Inspector Naplan paid a visit to 285 Biecker avenue where a complete still was found in operation.

LIQUOR DISPENSARIES.

The Manitoba Moderation League Submits Plan.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—The draft legislation proposing the establishment of government liquor dispensaries in Manitoba for the sale of intoxicating beverages was presented to the provincial government yesterday by representatives of the Moderation League.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.

My husband make me wear common sense shoes, two sizes to large. F.F.V.

What Does Your Husband Do?

Operation of the Marking Act is postponed until after next session of parliament.

WILL NOT MAKE ALLIANCE WITH OLD-TIME PARTIES

Manitoba Farmers Believe It Is Necessary to Preserve Their Identity.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—Declaring that the preservation of the identity of the Progressive party is absolutely necessary to the success of the farmers' cause, delegates attending the annual convention of the United Farmers of Manitoba yesterday adopted a strong resolution against forming an alliance with either of the old line parties.

The resolution was one of more than thirty that were to be considered by the convention late this afternoon. In addition to the resolutions submitted from the men's section, there were four from the women's section. Several others were to be added during the day.

Urging re-establishment of the Canada Wheat Board with wide powers to sell wheat and other grains.

Asking a government commission to investigate the discrepancies in prices between wheat and flour.

Urging influence to bear upon the government to obtain a cheaper rate on feed and seed oats brought into the drought-stricken areas.

A protest against alleged exorbitant charges for placing bulkheads in carloads of grain.

Endorsement of the action of the Western Canada Live Stock Union in asking the federal government to press for admission of fat cattle for immediate slaughter to inland cities in Great Britain.

A request for free testing of all herds from which milk is used for human consumption.

Forced His Wife To Take Poison Tablets

Paris, Jan. 13.—Mrs. Audrey Creighton Ryan, better known as Audrey Creighton, Californian violinist, is reported dying in the American hospital at Neuilly from the result of swallowing three poison tablets, said to have been administered by her husband, Thomas Stewart Ryan, under threat to kill her with a knife unless she swallowed them.

BREAKDOWN OF TREATY.

Lille Merchant Evades Heavy Customs Duties.

Paris, Jan. 13.—The situation arising from the breakdown of the commercial treaty between France and Spain has had an effective portrayal in the action of a merchant of Lille, who, to evade the enormous duties to which imports from Spain are subjected by the French customs, had Spanish goods shipped to Belgium and back into France, thereby saving approximately ninety-seven per cent. of the duty originally demanded at the Spanish border.

Man Regains Memory After Four Years' Period

London, Jan. 13.—A man who says he remembers nothing for four years was found ill in the streets at Berwick-on-Tweed. Giving his name as Robert, or Bertram, Templeton King, he states he is a native of Riverton, N.J., where his father has a shipping business. He himself is a landscape artist, but he joined the American air force in July, 1917, training at Mincola, L.I. till November of the same year. His mind is a blank from that moment until he arrived at Berwick.

Sues City For \$2,500 Because of Child's Death

Montreal, Jan. 13.—Joseph Manning, father of eight-year-old Lillian Manning, who met a tragic death last winter when she fell through an open manhole into a city sewer, and whose body was not recovered for several days, is now suing the city for \$2,500. No case, it is said, has ever aroused such indignation.

Demand for Amalgamation.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—Signs are already reaching Ottawa of an approaching wave of public opinion demanding immediate amalgamation of the country's railways—a public opinion so strong as to brook no delay. It is not believed here that Sir Lomer Gouin will be able to stem the tide. Friends of Sir Lomer point out that one of his strongest desires is for party unity, and that he himself says he is not as black as he is painted.

ASKING FOR U. S. MONEY

To Help in the Fight Against Irish Free State Government.

London, Jan. 13.—The Mail's Dublin correspondent states that the Earskine Childers party has sent urgent cablesgrams to the United States for financial help in the campaign in opposition to the new free State government.

Prisoners Released. London, Jan. 13.—Irish political prisoners in London jails, Brixton, Pentonville and Wormwood Scrubs, were released this morning. Instructions were sent to the provinces for similar action.

Breen Off to U. S.

London, Jan. 13.—The Dublin correspondent of the Morning Post telegraphs the shipment to the United States of Daniel Breen, who appears to have been hanging around the Dail with a band of thugs, threatening to enter and shoot up the entire assembly if it ratified the treaty. It suggests that Collins and Mulcahy are alive to the necessities of the case.

MANITOBA TO DRAW TIGHT PURSE-STRING

Economy Keypnote of Speech From Throne When House Reopens.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—Investigation of operation of the provincial government service by a select committee of the legislature, with the object of bringing about all possible economies, with due regard to efficiency of the administration, was forecast yesterday by Sir James Alkern, lieutenant-governor of Manitoba, in opening the second session of the sixteenth Manitoba legislature.

A feature of the opening was the general public was invited to attend the ceremonies through advertisements in local newspapers, instead of the usual custom of by invitation only.

In delivering his speech from the throne, Sir James referred to the serious financial position of the agricultural industry. His address carried the information that provision would be made to assist farmers with necessary loans.

It was also stated that a bill would be brought before the house to permit municipalities of Manitoba to accept taxes during 1922 without imposing penalties.

The speech from the throne also forecasts another move by the legislature this year to obtain control of the natural resources of the province, and reduction in freight rates.

DEMSEY AND JOHNSON.

Promoters Claim Champion Has Agreed to Meet Jack.

Nogales, Ariz., Jan. 13.—Mexican boxing promoters hope to arrange a match between Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion, and Jack Johnson, former champion, in the near future at the Plaza de Toros in Mexico City, according to reports here from the Mexican capital.

Those backing the enterprise are said to have declared that Dempsey has agreed to fight Johnson.

Ferry Company Buys Wharf.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., Jan. 13.—The Morristown Ferry Company has purchased a wharf about 200 feet above the present landing place, owned by the New York Central Railroad.

Upon the opening of navigation it is proposed to make landings at the new site. The ferry company was unable to make a satisfactory arrangement with the railroad company. The change will be very unsatisfactory to people from Brockville, who will have to walk 200 feet or more even in bad weather.

London Praises Canadian Singer.

London, Jan. 13.—Sarah Fischer, the well-known Canadian soprano, made her first English appearance at the Wigmore Hall with a recital of Italian, French, German, Russian and British songs. Press critics give her unanimous praise. The Morning Post says she "has a very firm command of phrase and utters long musical sentences as they should be uttered, without a break. All that she does one feels to be the outcome of a genuine musical gift. There was a large and appreciative audience, including many prominent Canadians."

LIQUOR PROFITS OF FOUR MILLION

Quebec, Jan. 13.—Premier Taschereau announced in the legislature last night that the government liquor commission was making profits of four million dollars per annum from the sale of alcoholic drinks.

ASKS A REDUCTION OF DUTY ON SUGAR

West Indian Industry Menaced Unless Tariff is Lowered By Britain.

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 13.—Unless Great Britain reduces the duty on sugar, that industry in the West Indies is seriously threatened, according to a deputation which waited upon Hon. Edward F. Wood, parliamentary under secretary for the colonies, Imperial and Canadian preference will not assist the development of West Indian produce; only lower duties will help, the deputation told the Under Secretary.

Mr. Wood promised to put the case before Sir Robert Horne, the chancellor of the exchequer.

Hon. F. C. Biggs Favors Lights on All Vehicles

Toronto, Jan. 13.—Legislation providing for the carrying of lights on all vehicles, on a province-wide basis, may be submitted by Hon. F. C. Biggs for this consideration of the legislature this session, but the matter is not in such shape as to permit the minister to make any definite statement.

"The subject is one for the legislature to deal with," he said, but he made it clear that personally he believed thoroughly in the value of such legislation as a factor in safeguarding the users of horse-drawn vehicles.

By rather a coincidence Mr. Meighen opened his federal campaign for the Conservative party with a big rally at Spencerville which is also in Grenville county, where he is now seeking election as a private member.

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BRITAIN BEST CUSTOMER.

Of the United States, in the Entire World. Washington, Jan. 13.—United States trade with European countries was greater by \$775,000,000 in 1921 than during the last pre-war year, 1913, according to an estimate based on 11 months' statistics made public by the commerce department.

Even with the higher value of the dollar, the department declared, trade with Europe was larger than in 1913.

Exports to Europe during the past year were estimated by the department at \$2,350,000,000 as against \$1,500,000,000 in 1913, while imports for 1921 were placed at \$760,000,000, compared with \$865,000,000 in 1913.

Great Britain, the department said, was this country's best customer in Europe, in fact, in the world, while Germany had risen to second place in Europe as a consumer of United States goods. Exports to Germany during 1921 were \$25,000,000 larger than in 1913, final figures for last year, it was said, will show an increase over 1920.

New Suggestion Made For Levying Tariff

Washington, Jan. 13.—A plan of assessing tariff duties on the basis of the difference in the costs of converting the raw material into the finished products in the United States and foreign countries was outlined yesterday to Republican members of the Senate Finance Committee by Julius Fornsman, a woolen manufacturer of Newark, N.J. He urged that a provision authorizing that the gathering of this information be inserted in the pending measure.

Donovan Gets Seat.

Brockville, Jan. 13.—Judge Dowley confirmed the election of Leonard Donovan as a councillor in the township of Front of Escott, following a protest entered by another candidate, William Fair. Each received 86 votes, and the returning officer, E. C. Kelly, gave a casting vote in favor of Donovan. Fair protested on the ground that one rejected ballot should have been counted.

Will Reopen Sugar Plant.

Chatham, Jan. 13.—It is expected that the Dominion Sugar Company of this city will re-open their plant on the 14th of January, for the purpose of refining raw sugar. This will relieve the unemployment situation in Chatham.

SEEKS ISSUE ON RAILWAYS

Hon. Arthur Meighen Declares Intention of Forcing Showdown on Question.

Prescott, Jan. 13.—Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen is definitely assured of U.F.O. opposition in his contest for election in Grenville, the Progressive nominee having duly filed his nomination papers with Returning Officer W. S. Johnston. The recently defeated candidate, and by some sixteen other electors, while that of Mr. Meighen bore the signature of about sixty residents of the various divisions of the riding.

Nomination speeches were made by both the candidates. G. Howard Ferguson and A. C. Casselman supported the former prime minister, while A. W. Roebuck of Toronto spoke on behalf of the Progressive aspirant.

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"What right have they?" he said, "to point the finger of scorn at Sir Wilfrid Laurier? Much less, what right have they to reproach me, who opposed the scheme?" asked Mr. Meighen. "They have no right whatever to do so nor to come forward now in robes of white posing as exemplars of the new sanctification of political events," he added.

He justified the acquisition of the Canadian Northern, which was now the backbone of the whole government system. It was a great political asset and would yet become the pride of Canada. "The time has now come," said Mr. Meighen, "with emphasis, when the whole National railway system should be brought together and operated as one single unit."

"There is an act on the statute books, providing for this. It is the clear duty of the present government to give effect to what is obviously the intent of this law."

Fear Consequences.

"If we yield to this reactionary element which are urging that these railways be returned to private ownership," he predicted that "this country is headed straight for the precipice of bankruptcy."

Digressing, he playfully attacked Mr. Crerar from another angle. "I don't even know whether the Progressive leader is still in opposition," he said. "When last I heard of him he was negotiating with Mr. King (Voices from the audience cried "Nothing stirring" and "Cut it out.")

"At any rate," proceeded Mr. Meighen unflinching, "he certainly was adopting an attitude of benevolent neutrality." (Cheers.) "Under these circumstances I cannot see how he is able to lead an effective opposition."

At the same time I have never thought that it was either his spirit or intent to bring about an amalgamation, but he did want to get just as close to the Liberals as he safely could."

I.O.D.E. To Make Present To The Princess Mary

Montreal, Jan. 13.—Thirty-five thousand Daughters of the Empire in Canada are uniting to present Princess Mary with a magnificent gift of the finest Canadian fur on the occasion of her marriage to Viscount Lascelles. The kind of fur that will be chosen and the form it will take have not yet been decided, but it is certain that the present will be the most regal example of the Canadian furrier's art.

FROM 'SMITH' TO 'SMIRSKI'

Munich Theatregoers Do Not Love United States.

Berlin, Jan. 13.—Munich theatregoers are still touchy on the subject of the United States, it appears from an incident just reported here. The Neue Berliner Zeitung tells how an audience in the Bavarian capital fairly raised the roof in objecting to background and names of the United States being used in a new theatrical production. They hooted and hissed and stamped, and finally the performance was brought to a stop.

The authorities, when the manager was brought before them, forbade him to produce the play unless the scenes were placed in some country other than the United States. The versatile producer readily complied, and laid his scenes in the Caucasus. The name of one character was changed from "Smith" to "Smirski," and that of "Gladys Chicago, Dollar Princess," to "Marsha Petrograd, Millionaire's Daughter."

PASTOR'S SALARY SECRET.

Box for Donations to Himself Installed in Church.

Hamilton, Jan. 13.—Rev. F. W. Hollinrake, who left the Methodist church to become pastor of an independent congregation known as Ebenezer, does not ask his congregation for any money. Three boxes have been installed in his church. One is labelled "for mission," another "church expenses," and the third, "pastor's salary."

During the past year \$2,000 was put in the mission box, \$2,800 in the church expenses box, and no one but the pastor knows what he found in his own box, but he said he had no complaints to make.

POISON LIQUOR KILLS 103 SINCE JAN. 1ST

In the United States—Awful Death Toll Under Prohibition.

New York, Jan. 13.—(United Press)—Poison "booze" has killed 103 persons in the United States since January 1st.

United Press despatches from all parts of the country revealed that amazing total today.

Deaths are continuing. Two persons died in the New York area during the last twenty-four hours.

The fatalities have occurred at the average rate of more than eight a day since the poison "booze" flood was poured on the market.

"Many persons are selling wood alcohol, apparently indifferent to the results," Dr. Royal S. Copeland, health officer of the city of New York, said today. "We have been conducting an investigation of this and find there is much wood alcohol available."

"No one should ever take a drink of liquor unless its origin is known. Every drink of unknown liquor is a potential menace. Unfortunately there are some people who will drink anything that is wet. The man who does that risks his life."

The wood alcohol flood started with the holidays. Federal officials are hunting the unscrupulous gangs which are believed deliberately putting poison liquor on the market for profit. The deadly concoctions are made up to resemble gin and whiskey and sold in old bottles with fake labels at regular bootleggers' prices.

It takes a very little wood alcohol to cause death and still less to bring about blindness. The victims sometimes die slowly in agony, or recover only to find themselves sightless for life.

CRITICIZED CHEAPNESS.

Of the Text Books in the Public School.

Windsor, Jan. 13.—Before the resolution was passed favoring the teaching of Canadian and British ideals, through books in the public schools at the trustees' convention here, J. G. Elliott, Kingston, said he strongly favored national books from Halifax to British Columbia.

He thought that there was too much absorbing of American ideals, and not enough of the Canadian nationality shown. This was dangerous to the Canadian ideal, he also criticized the cheapness of the books, characterizing them as scrappy.

City Manager J. Walter Ackerman, Watertown, N.Y., announced the appointment of Mrs. Claude Gilchrist as city treasurer to succeed Fred W. Mayhew, who recently resigned.

BACHELORS FREED FROM STATE TAX

Helena, Mont., Jan. 13.—The state supreme court has declared unconstitutional the bachelor tax law passed by the last legislature and the poll tax law which has been in force for more than twenty-one years.

The poll tax included all male persons from 21 to 60 years of age. The bachelor's tax was imposed on all males more than 21 years old who were not heads of families.

BACK IN JAIL ONCE AGAIN

The Upton and Bryant Faced a Hard Ordeal At Napanee.

The Upton brothers and Fred Bryant were given a speedy preliminary trial on a charge of murder. Leaving Kingston at 9:45 o'clock Thursday morning, and arriving at Napanee at 10:55, they appeared before Magistrate Rankin fifteen minutes after their arrival in the town. The proceedings were over at 1:35 p.m. and late in the afternoon the three young men were back in the county jail at Kingston, to await their trial, which will come off at the sessions of the supreme court which opens at Napanee on Feb. 21st.

And through all the terrible ordeal—for it must be a terrible ordeal for the youths to go through, to face the most serious charge on the criminal calendar, the boys, for—although just out of their teens they are yet boys, did not show much emotion. True, they appeared to be nervous at times, but through all the proceedings they at no time showed any signs of breaking down. For two hours and a quarter they listened attentively to evidence produced by the crown, in an endeavor to have them placed on their trial, and then, after partaking of a good meal, they were escorted to an auto and rushed back to the jail in Kingston.

Model Prisoners.

The young prisoners were brought back to Kingston in the custody of Inspector Boyd, of the provincial police. Provincial Constable G. Hornbeck and Joseph Hawkey, governor of the Frontenac county jail. Both on the way to Napanee and on the return trip to Kingston, all three were model prisoners, giving no trouble whatever to the officers in charge.

Rumor had it that there might be a demonstration on the arrival of the prisoners in Napanee, but such was not the case. A crowd of perhaps one hundred people were at the station when the train arrived from Kingston, having on board the three young men, but the arrival was not marked by any kind of a scene. Many necks were craned to see the youthful prisoners as they got off the train, and many were heard to remark, "Too bad, too bad," but this was the limit to the comments. Two minutes after the arrival of the train, the special officers had their prisoners in a bus on their way to the court house.

And during all the proceedings, sat the father of the Upton boys. He occupied a seat among strangers, in just the same manner as others who came to see and hear, and his heart ached during the sad ordeal. The Upton boys, sitting side by side, with young Bryant close to them, all in the prisoners' box, presented a sad spectacle. The three were neatly dressed and well groomed.

Laughter Rebuked.

And the audience was a very orderly one. Only on one occasion was there any interruption, and this was when one of the witnesses, Buva, told about hearing the discharge of a rifle in the laneway where Constable Beard was found. His description of the noise rather tickled the audience, and there was a quick outburst of laughter, but it was cut short by Magistrate Rankin and the crown counsel. Magistrate Rankin remarked that there was no cause for laughter, and stated further that if another outburst of this kind occurred, the court would be cleared of spectators. Those who had gained admittance evidently did not like the idea of being put out, for there was perfect order from that time on till the case was concluded.

And when all had been said and done, and the order for committal for trial had been given, there was no demonstration. The prisoners and also the spectators appeared to take the affair as a matter of course. The prisoners were taken out of the court room, the spectators filed out of the court room quietly, and then all was over.

And thus ended the first chapter in what promises to be one of the most sensational murder cases which has ever come before the courts in eastern Ontario.

The crown at Napanee has two other charges to press against the three prisoners, but they were allowed to stand over. One charge is that they did break into the garage of one, J. W. Robinson, at Napanee, and steal an auto, the property of Mr. Robinson, and the other is that of attempting to break into Smith's jewelry store at Napanee. Several charges of theft laid by the crown in Kingston are also being held over. It is stated that in Kingston the theft charges are thirteen in number.

It is stated that finger prints secured on the window at the rear of Smith's jewelry store will play an important part in the prosecution, but no evidence of this character was presented at the preliminary trial. The crown had several witnesses on hand for the preliminary hearing who were not called.