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THE OUTLOOK NOT BRIGHT

For Peaceable Arrangement in Ireland.

The Provincial Government Must Take Steps to Restore Order.

London, May 11.—Announcement of the failure of peace negotiations in Ireland has brought public attention here sharply back to the Irish situation, which has lately been overshadowed by the Genoa conference. While the hope that a peaceable arrangement will eventually be reached is not precluded, the outlook is regarded as extremely discouraging, and despatches represent the majority of the Irish people as being deeply concerned over the state of the country. There is a growing conviction in Ireland that the provisional government must take effective steps for the restoration of law and order.

Murder Catholic Youth. Belfast, May 11.—Three Catholic youths, James, Francis and Thomas McKeown, were taken from their beds at Bally Mulderg by a gang of men last night and shot. James was killed and the others seriously wounded.

MEDALS AND PRIZES WON BY THE NURSES

Of Kingston General Hospital—Wolfe Island Girl Gets Silver Medal.

The following prizes, won by the nurses, were announced at the General hospital on Thursday afternoon: Gold medal—Miss Helen Wilson, Wingham. Silver medal—Miss Anna Davis, Wolfe Island. Senior class prize, gynaecology and obstetrics—Miss Helen Wilson. Intermediate class prize—Miss Willis Dusty, Kingston. Junior class prize—Miss Laura Young, Kingston. Dietitian—Miss Rhoda Wesley, Maberly. Intermediate class in medicine—Miss Dusty. Practical nursing—Miss Gertrude Fitzgibbons, Russell, Ont. Surgery—Miss Rhoda Wesley, Maberly. Surgical technique—Miss E. Walker, Napanee. Prize in Anaesthetics—Miss Millian Fairful, Walkerton. Special prize for fire drill—Miss Gertrude Fitzgibbons. Prize for diseases of children—Miss Anna Davis, Wolfe Island.

WINE DRINKING IS NOT A SIN, PRELATE HOLDS

Bishop Manning Believes, However, None Should Flout Prohibition Law.

New York, May 11.—Bishop William T. Manning, addressing the one hundred and thirty-ninth convention of the Episcopal diocese of New York, declared that while he did not hold that "to drink intoxicants in moderation is a sin," he believed "no citizen has the right to evade or disobey the prohibition law." "As the principle of prohibition," Bishop Manning asserted, "we have a full right to our different views. For my own part I have never been theoretically a prohibitionist. I have never held and do not now hold that to drink wine or other intoxicant in moderation is a sin." "It is my belief," however, that prohibition properly enforced will make us a healthier, a stronger and a better people. I believe that prohibition is already resulting in improved conditions both morally and practically in the lives and home of our people."

Lord Winterton, speaking for the British government, told the House of Commons on Wednesday, that negotiations were in progress for a commercial treaty with Spain.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.



My husband hates to lay his pipe down long enough to eat.—H. M. W. What does your husband do?

TWO PARTY LEADERS FAVORABLE TO "P.R."

They Think It is the Road to Truly Responsible Government.

Ottawa, May 11.—Although the government apparently wanted to pass a resolution favoring proportional representation in the House yesterday afternoon, 6 o'clock came without the passage of the following resolution by W. C. Good (North Brant):

"That in the opinion of this House the alternative vote method should be adopted for use in future elections for this House in all single-member constituencies where more than two candidates are running for election;

"Also that, in the opinion of this House, for the purpose of demonstrating the working and effect of the true proportional representation system, one or more multi-member constituencies should be constituted as early as possible in which that system should be applied at the next general election."

The prime minister and Hon. T. A. Crerar supported the resolution, but the only Conservative who spoke, Leonard Ladner (Vancouver South), opposed proportional representation.

ASK THAT HIS PRISON TERM BE REDUCED

To Circulate Petition on Behalf of Harold Shillington, London.

Friends of Harold R. Shillington, the London, Ont., young man, who was recently brought to the Portsmouth penitentiary, to serve six years for the theft of bonds, are taking steps, so it was learned, to have his term reduced.

It is stated that a petition addressed to the attorney-general requesting leniency and reduction of the sentence given Shillington, who was an accountant for the London & Western Trusts is shortly to be circulated. Shillington appeared before Deputy Magistrate Graydon at London, on Thursday, April 27th, and pleaded guilty to stealing \$100,000 in bonds, the property of the trust company.

Friends of the former bank employee, who have known him for years, are most anxious regarding his welfare, and believe that if the term was reduced it would be to Shillington's benefit, and that he has already learned the lesson that the straight game pays.

It is stated that such a petition would be signed by many Londoners who have already expressed their willingness to attach their names to a paper which would help shorten the Londoner's term.

Shillington was arrested at New Haven, a fishing hamlet just outside of Edinburgh, Scotland, after a search of some months, and was brought back to London on April 5th.

TO MAKE PRESENTATION TO FAMILY IN DISTRESS

Westbrook People to Help the Kellar's Whose Home Was Burned.

George F. Kellar, who was burned when his home near Westbrook was destroyed by fire about a week ago, is able to leave the General hospital. Although he was badly burned about the face and hands, he is able to be around again. When the buildings were burned, Mr. and Mrs. Kellar lost everything they had in the world. The neighbors have made a canvass and are going to make a presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Kellar. Mrs. Kellar had to leave her burning home with only her night dress and a pair of stockings. Since the fire the neighbors have been very kind to Mrs. Kellar and the baby. One lady took Mrs. Kellar into her home and assisted in making clothes for her. The house which was burned was being purchased by Mr. Kellar from the Soldiers' Land Settlement Board. It was covered by insurance, but the contents were not.

Editor Elected President.

Watertown, N.Y., May 11.—Harold B. Johnson was elected president of the board of education at the annual meeting held this afternoon. The balloting of the commissioners revealed an unanimous choice. Mr. Johnson has served as a commissioner since 1920 and during the last two years has held the position of chairman of the visiting committee, which has direct charge of the school administration. He is president of the Brockway company and editor of the Watertown Times. Mr. Johnson succeeds Edward N. Smith, president of the board for the last three years.

Denies Misconduct.

Poughkeepsie, N.Y., May 11.—Taking the stand in her own defence yesterday in the divorce suit instituted by her husband, James Stillman, New York banker, Mrs. Anna U. Stillman denied that she had mis-conducted herself with Fred Beauvais, Indian guide.

CANNOT PAY, SAY GERMANS

Reparations Reply Unsatisfactory to France.

May Play Dominating Role in Settlement of Russian Question.

Paris, May 11.—The German reply to the reparations note of April 13th received by the reparations commission, protests the good will of the German government but pleads material impossibility of imposing sixty billion marks of new taxes before May 31st, or complying with all conditions laid down on March 21st. It is considered impertinent, and entirely unsatisfactory to France, and important developments are awaited.

May Play Dominating Role.

Genoa, May 11.—Developments of the morning strengthened the earlier impression that the German reparations to France might play a dominating role in the settlement of the Russian question.

"It is the heart of the whole situation," said a leading spokesman, "Everything goes back to that, for France wants a restored France before the re-construction of Russia or Germany."

Germany and Russia.

Paris, May 11.—L'Éclair to-day prints the text on the military convention said to have been signed by representatives of the Russian Soviet army and the German staff on April 3rd, by which Germany will furnish the Red Army with arms and material for 150 regiments of infantry and sufficient heavy field artillery for twenty infantry divisions.

Germany undertakes to reorganize the Russia Baltic and Black Sea fleets and supply five hundred of the latest aeroplanes to train Russian instructors in the latest chemical warfare inventions, and send experts to Russia to speed up munition plants and open new ones, says the newspaper.

The Red army staff guarantee the establishment of three German plants in Russia, one for aeroplane manufacturing, one for poison gas and one for munitions.

TOUCHING INCIDENTS AT QUEEN'S CONVOCATION

Invalid and Blind Students Receive Their Degrees Amidst Loud Applause.

There were two very touching incidents at Queen's convocation proceedings on Wednesday afternoon.

Among those to receive a degree at the hands of Chancellor Beatty were a blind student and an invalid, who had to be taken to Grant Hall in a wheeled chair. These two students were well looked after by their fellow students, both forming in the parade to Grant Hall, and both were very loudly applauded. The student in the wheeled chair was taken close to the platform, and Chancellor Beatty came down off the platform, and after conferring the degree on the student gave him a hearty handshake. The blind student was led to the chancellor's chair on the platform by a fellow student, and his greeting from the chancellor was indeed a warm one.

Kept Seventeen Boarders; Husband Beat Her Like Dog

St. Catharines, May 11.—Wm. Zaarway, young foreigner, was sentenced to Central prison for a year, yesterday by Magistrate Campbell, for brutally assaulting his young wife. She said she did all the work in their boarding house for seventeen boarders and her husband simply laid around and drank and beat her like a dog.



WILLIAM B. POWELL OF BOSTON. A native of Port Dover, Ont., who committed suicide after shooting his wife.

Passion Play Begins Its 28th Anniversary

Oberammergau, May 11.—Ushered in by the traditional salute of village guns, the Oberammergau Passion Play began yesterday to celebrate its twenty-eighth decennial anniversary since its beginning in 1635. The burgomaster of the village expects the total attendance to reach above the 200,000 mark in the thirty-three performances that will be staged.

WISH TO MAINTAIN ENTENTE CORDIALE

French Press Friendly to Britain, But Hostile to Lloyd George.

Paris, May 11.—Maintenance of the Entente Cordiale, which is admittedly trembling in the balance, depends on Premier Lloyd George. That is the reaction of the French press to the latest developments at Genoa. The tone of the principal organs is distinctly hostile to the British premier, but most friendly to Great Britain. Official France is most anxious not to break the Entente and the French people, rightly or wrongly have convinced themselves that Mr. Lloyd George does not represent the nation, which is believed to be desirous of taking sides with France. Paris opinion is that the two countries can agree to disagree on the Russian memorandum, and the Entente may subsist, even though Great Britain decides to pursue a different policy toward Russia.



REV. DR. R. J. WILSON. Chosen one of the vice-presidents of the Social Service Council of Ontario. Premier Drury is the honorary president.

CLASS OF SISSY BOYS WOULD BE PRODUCED

If We Wipe Out Militia Training, Says Gen. A. E. Ross, Kingston.

Ottawa, May 11.—In discussing the militia estimates in the Commons, Brig-General A. E. Ross, (Cons., Kingston) said it was rather interesting to see that estimates which were whittled down to the lowest figure could be still further reduced. He asked who the people were who objected to militia training. There were those who had an aversion to what they called "brass hats." Then there were the uplifters, who said we should treat all men as brothers, forgetting that brothers sometimes quarrelled. Others took the ground that there were signs of lasting peace, and cited the disarmament conference in support of this contention.

General Ross emphasized the value of training. As a Canadian example of the value of training, he said that a week's winter training in Canada, with its experience of operations under low temperatures, had provided a method by which it had been possible to wipe out the malady known as trench feet.

"If we wipe out militia training and cadet training and all kinds of training," remarked General Ross, in conclusion, "we shall produce a class of sissy boys, fanatics in dancing, and not the good old class of boys who made the British Empire what it is."

WILL NOT RESTRICT THE VOTE OF WOMEN

Proposal of Senator David Decisively Defeated in the Red Chamber.

Ottawa, May 11.—Senator David's resolution to restrict women's franchise was defeated in the senate by 33 to 19.

Senator David proposed that unmarried women must be at least 30 years of age before being entitled to vote. Girls between 20 and 30 were not mature in judgment, he declared. Electoral lists under the present law were loaded with an unintelligent vote. Thousands of girls had voted last election without knowing either the party leaders or their platforms. The English law was less objectionable.

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WILL NEVER GET ALIMONY

Judge Scores Women Who Resist Motherhood.

Dismisses Case at Woodstock Where This Fact Was Proven.

Woodstock, May 11.—In dismissing the alimony action of Mrs. Maude Diehl, Tavistock, against her husband, Edward Diehl, Justice Latchford, presiding over the supreme court, yesterday severely castigated the modern women who were dodging the responsibilities of motherhood.

In giving judgment, Justice Latchford said: "In a case like this where a woman lives apart from her husband, not by reason of physical violence, the onus of establishing the right to alimony is much heavier than in other cases. This woman was delicate and wished to avoid becoming a mother. That is established beyond doubt in this case. That unnatural feeling which is destroying the original white race of Canada and the United States was manifested in this woman to a remarkable degree. She showed a distinct tendency to resist motherhood. When the child was born she went to live with her mother and from that time she was only occasionally with her husband. That type of woman will never secure alimony in an action brought before me unless she can prove actual physical violence. The action is therefore dismissed, with only such costs as are allowed by the rules in cases of this kind."

Following the judgment, Justice Latchford said that at least half of the alimony actions brought before him were caused by the refusal of the wife to assume the duties and responsibilities of motherhood. Custody of the six-year-old child of the marriage was given to the husband.

REDUCTION OF HALF OF ESTIMATES MADE

British Government Has Effected Decreases Totalling 50,000,000 Pounds.

London, May 11.—Sir Eric Geddes, speaking at Sheffield with regard to the notable report of the economy committee, of which he is chairman, stated that the government had already given effect to a reduction of £50,000,000 of £100,000,000 reduction in the estimated expenditures which the committee had recommended in its report to the government. This reduction in the estimates for the navy was £16,000,000 including the proposals of the Washington conference, against £21,000,000 recommended by the committee although as far as he could see, war was a very remote possibility.

Sir Eric characterized the vastly increased expenditure on education as the work of a one-eyed visionary. He spoke as one friendly to the government, and opined that if the chancellor acted in the spirit of his budget speech heavy reductions in the coming year might confidently be expected.

The whole matter of governmental salaries required to be reviewed, Sir Eric Geddes said.

Farmer Takes His Life; Leaves Widow and Five

Guelph, May 11.—With his throat gashed and quantities of strychnine and paris green in his pockets, the body of J. H. Redmond, fifty years of age, a well-known East Garafraxa farmer, was found lying across the road at a point three miles east of Belwood yesterday afternoon. A note in his pocket stated that everything had gone against him and he could not stand it any longer. He leaves a widow and five children.



LORD LEE. First lord of the admiralty, who complains that the dominions are not bearing a fair share of the empire's naval burden. He says the dominion navies, like Topsy, "just growed, but now, more like Topsy-turvy, they were just shrinking."

DEAD PRISONER HAD ORGANIZED DELIVERY

Will Not Probe Shooting of William Mitchell at Burwash Prison.

Toronto, May 11.—No official investigation is contemplated by the provincial secretary's department into the circumstances surrounding the death of William Mitchell, a young man from Woodstock, who was shot while attempting to escape from Burwash prison on April 29th. Hon. H. C. Nixon, provincial treasurer, said that so far no request had reached the department for an investigation.

"I do not see what good an investigation would be," said the minister. "This man was over twenty-seven years old, an escaped prisoner from Guelph, and evidence shows he was expecting to lead a general jail delivery. He disregarded orders of stop, warning shots failed to halt him, and only when he was into the bush did the guards shoot to stop him."

SEEDING IS DELAYED ON PRAIRIE BY RAINS

C.P.R. Crop Report Is, However, Optimistic For All Three Provinces.

Winnipeg, May 11.—Heavy rains over the greater portion of Manitoba and Saskatchewan early last week occasioned a slight delay in seeding, otherwise conditions have been ideal, according to the weekly crop report issued yesterday by the Agricultural Department of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

In Manitoba wheat seeding is progressing favorably, with many point reporting operations completed, while oats and barley seeding is well advanced. Districts reporting seeding completed are confined principally to higher and lighter soils, which dried out sufficiently to permit work early. In a few places wheat is up and a few more warm days will bring much grain through the ground, as seed has gone in under ideal germination conditions. Some districts along the Assiniboine River, which has overflowed its banks, report many acres of seeded land inundated.

Seeding is becoming well advanced in Saskatchewan, though there is considerable land still too wet, states the report. The ground is in splendid shape, generally, and there is sufficient moisture to carry the crop along until early in June.

In many sections of Central and Northern Alberta, seeding has been completed. Operations have just been nicely started in the Southern districts, and the crop outlook is most favorable. Wheat in isolated districts is reported above ground. Rye crop in Southern districts is very promising and in many places already covering the ground. The season is generally later than the average year, but this is offset by excellent germination conditions.

Along the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway, seeding is progressing rapidly, with an average of from 40 to 50 per cent. completed.

British Columbia reports conditions favorable for both orchard and farming operations.

SPECIAL LICENSE NEEDED

Egypt Makes Move to Stop Growth of Drug Traffic.

Calro, May 11.—Egypt, hitherto the drug trade's paradise, because the captulations hampered the distribution of narcotics, with the result of addicts as to affect public morals, has a new edict, put in force yesterday, which prohibits importation into, or export from Egypt of opium, cocaine, hashish or morphine, except by special license of the government.

Doubts are entertained whether the decree will effectively prevent the traffic, as Egypt's unpopulated boundaries and the difficulty of punishing shady subjects of the capitulatory powers, make enforcement of the prohibition most awkward. The maximum penalty permissible under the capitulations is a fine of \$5 or seven days in jail and confiscation of the drugs.

HONAN IS PEACEFUL

General Wu Announces Suppression of Trouble.

Tientsin, China, May 11.—General Wang Cheng Pin, commander of the 23rd Division, arrived here this afternoon to take command of the Chi-Li forces. General Wu Pei-Fu will return to Paoing-Fu tomorrow. General Wu announces that the trouble in the province of Honan, caused by the revolution of Tschan Chaoi, has been suppressed by General Feng-Yu Slang, a portion of whose troops won a victory near Peking in recent fighting under General Wu.

The situation beyond Tongshan is still causing anxiety.

CAUCUS HELD OVER BUDGET

Ministers No Longer Law Unto Themselves.

Tariff Changes Are Likely to Be Downward in Trend.

Ottawa, May 11.—The government was in communication again with the party caucus yesterday, taking its counsel on a variety of matters and on general strategy. There are a number of things that will require more or less careful handling. The railway estimates are yet to be discussed, the attitude upon the Crow's Nest Pass agreement considered, the wheat marketing question disposed of and primarily there is the budget. Finance ministers in bringing down the budget used to be a law to themselves, but latterly caucus has been consulted.

The budget is expected next week and there will be some tariff changes and what there are will be downward in trend, but nothing particularly radical is looked for this session. While reductions will be tried to cultivate the friendship of the Farmers' party, some of the Quebec members and ministers counsel a course of extreme caution and the outcome is peculiarly nebulous.

Wheat Board.

The wheat board scheme will be discussed today in the agricultural committee. The motion before it is to create a board with compulsory powers by means of concurrent federal and provincial legislation a method of overcoming the lack of federal authority by itself alone. If any two provinces agree to it and parliament so enacts, then it is proposed to go ahead. Evidently it is calculated that Saskatchewan and Alberta will get into line, but Manitoba is not relied on because of uncertain political conditions; nor is Ontario. It happens, however, that the marketing machinery is largely in these two provinces. The committee is at sixes and sevens as to what to do, while the government is wary of such a scheme and the average eastern member knows little about the matter and cares less.

At least a voluntary board seems probable, but the compulsory scheme is still very doubtful. If it were ratified by the house, the probability of it getting through the senate is questionable.

The rates investigation will be prolonged if it follows the broad plan advocated by Sir Henry Drayton. He wishes an enquiry into the basic commodities in general. Mr. Crerar, as well as several of the Liberal members, maintain that the essential question is whether the schedule of the Crow's Nest Pass agreement should be reverted to or further suspended. If the latter course is followed it would be for the railway commission to determine to what extent reductions should be made and whether they would be wholly in west or, as well in the east. Should the wide field be opened up, the committee will be investigating for a month or more. The point will be settled at Friday's meeting.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

Inventor Killed His Wife and Poisoned Himself.

Boston, May 11.—Charles H. Fowler, 51, who described himself as an inventor, and his wife, Hortense A. Fowler, 25, were found dead in a gas-filled room of their apartment in Hemenway street, Back Bay. The medical examiner said the woman had died of a stab wound in her neck inflicted by her husband and the man of gas poisoning. Letters were found in the apartment addressed by Fowler to Mrs. William T. Tremblay of Brockton, Mrs. Fowler's sister, and Vincent D. Fowler, Roxbury, a brother of Fowler.

Both letters said his wife had been untrue to him and that he was going "to end it all."

Arrest Big Labor Men.

Chicago, May 11.—The police raided the headquarters of the building trades and arrested three of Chicago's biggest labor leaders, "Big Tim" Murphy, Fred Mader and Cornelius Shea in connection with the bombings and shootings which early yesterday resulted in the deaths of two policemen and serious injury to a third.

THE RUSSIAN REPLY TO ALLIES' NOTE

Genoa, May 11.—Foreign Minister Tchitcherin of the Russian soviet delegation personally handed the Russian reply to the allied memorandum today to Foreign Minister Schanzer of Italy at Palazzo Reale. Tchitcherin said the reply had been prepared under direct instruction from Moscow.