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FRANCE IS EVER DRAWING NEARER TO BANKRUPTCY

Poincare Wasting Strength and Resources of Country by Present Policy Towards Germany—Financiers Regard Situation With Alarm.

(United Press.) NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The French parliamentary elections to be held this spring will compel the voters to accept a socialistic government with Germany. The parties forming the present national bloc, of which Premier Poincare is the leader, will not appeal to the electorate on a platform of Franco-German amity. If the socialists are returned in sufficient numbers to hold the balance of power in the Chamber of Deputies, they will be able to force a radical change in France's reparations program. But, despite the fall of the franc and the approaching demoralization of French credit, the group surrounding Premier Poincare wants to hang on to Germany's throat, wasting strength and energy in that futile pastime. The realities of the present situation, which are terrifying French financiers, are passed over by the politicians. The present situation would have been avoided in part if Finance Minister de Lasteyrie had been allowed last year to increase French taxes as he desired. But the Chamber of Deputies overruled him, thus taking one more step toward bankruptcy. A general increase in taxes of 20 per cent is now proposed by the government, though avoidances will be urged again by members of the Chamber, who do not like standing for re-election on any such platform. Eventually far more than 40 per cent increase will have to be found by French taxpayers. The full amount will not be known until the reparations sum is definitely fixed. Whatever the deficit may be, France will have to make it up, or will have to repudiate her obligations. The gravest element in the situation is that the prolongation of the present uncertainty is piling up this deficit with appalling speed. If allowed to continue much longer, no amount of taxation will be able to overcome the deficits within any reasonable period of time. This issue, which should be the



SEEKING HIS DISMISSAL

Friends of President Coolidge have been urging him to force the resignation of United States Attorney-General Daugherty, because of his association with the oil scandal now disrupting Washington. He is a close friend of Harry F. Sinclair who has obtained control of navy oil reserves, and Mr. Daugherty advocated their transfer to the Department of the Interior and later to private interests.

LENINE DIES AT HIS HOME NEAR MOSCOW

(Canadian Press.) MOSCOW, Jan. 22.—Nikolai Lenin, Russia's Soviet Premier, died this morning at his country villa near Moscow where he was living in retirement. Death came after a sudden turn for the worse following a stroke which paralyzed his respiratory organism.

FIRST ENGLISH MOTHER LOSES SOCIALISTIC PREMIER NOW HOLDS OFFICE

(British United Press.) LONDON, Jan. 22.—Ramsay MacDonald today became the first Socialist Premier elect of England and for the first time in British history the King summoned a party leader whose ideals are anti-monarchical although his policy dictates recognition of the constitutional position of the Sovereign.

The scene in the House of Commons Monday night when the division bell that was to gutturose Baldwin sounded, was pathetic. Everyone knowing that the greatest revolution in British history since the days of Cromwell had occurred. The situation is made more poignant by the railway strike which shows that Labor is a house divided against itself. All parties in the country with the solitary exception of the diehards are hoping that MacDonald will not introduce any radical legislation but recent developments show that there is an ugly temper in certain sections of the Labor Party. MacDonald is admired for his personal qualities but whether he is able to hold some of the wilder men of his party in check has yet to be seen. With regard to Imperial questions it is generally admitted that the incoming Labor Ministry is not likely to do anything to antagonize the Dominions. They fully realize the necessity of holding the empire together as the greatest power for maintenance of peace throughout the world. The Labor party will also cultivate the friendship of United States and Russia and do everything in its power to rehabilitate workers throughout the world. The party realizes that in many ways Canada is far ahead of other countries in the line of social efforts that have been made without restriction of the rights of the masses and for this reason the leaders expect to work in closest harmony with the Dominion drawing up a scheme of betterment for their own people along the lines that have been proved effective.

The New Labor Cabinet Announced Yesterday

(Canadian Press.) LONDON, Jan. 22.—The new Labor Cabinet was officially announced this afternoon as follows: J. Ramsay MacDonald, Premier and Secretary for Foreign Affairs. John Robert Clines, Lord Privy Seal and Deputy Leader in the House of Commons. Lord Parmor, Lord President of the Council. Viscount Haldane, Lord Chancellor. Phillip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer. Arthur Henderson, Secretary for Home Affairs. J. H. Thomas, Secretary for the Colonies. Stephen Walsh, Secretary for War. Sir Sydney Oliver, Secretary of India. Brigadier General Christopher Thompson, Air Minister. Viscount Chelmsford, First Lord of the Admiralty. John Wheatley, Minister of Health. Noel Buxton, Minister for Agriculture. William Adamson, Secretary for Scotland. C. P. Trevelyan, President of the Board of Education. Thomas Shaw, Minister of Labor. Vernon Hartshorn, Postmaster General. Colonel Josiah Wedgwood, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. F. W. Jowett, Commissioner of Works.



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Who has just been elected president of the United Farmers of Ontario for the ninth consecutive year. At the annual meeting an attempt was made to pass a resolution advocating the establishment of a separate Dominion comprising the western provinces.

LIQUOR PACT APPROVED BY DOMINIONS

(Canadian Press.) LONDON, Jan. 22.—The British Dominions have unanimously approved the draft of the Liquor Treaty between Great Britain and the United States which was submitted to them by the British Government. The draft thus approved has been agreed upon by the London and Washington Governments.

YUKON HAVING MILD WINTER

(Canadian Press.) DAWSON, Jan. 22.—The Yukon is experiencing the mildest winter weather in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. This month the thermometer has hovered around zero daily as compared with previous Januarys when it has hovered between forty and seventy below. The theory advanced is that the extraordinary high temperature since last summer is caused by volcanic or submarine movements in the bed of the Pacific Ocean.

Mother and Two Children Rescued From Fire

(Canadian Press.) NORTH SYDNEY, Jan. 22.—Mrs. Charles White and two children who occupied a part of the upper portion of the Tudorcliff building which was totally destroyed were trapped by flames from the exit through the lower floor and were rescued in an almost suffocated condition by fire engine motorman Charles Coleman and police officer James Maddock this morning. The cause of the fire is yet undetermined.

REBELS HOLD UP COMPANY IN MEXICO

(Canadian Press.) NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—A threat to destroy the property of the Mexican Petroleum Company at Tampico, Mexico, unless it paid immediately \$400,000 advance in export taxes, was received about a week ago from the De La Huerta revolutionists. H. G. Wylie, vice-president of the company, announced last night. Mr. Wylie said that the money would not be paid unless the revolutionists captured Tampico and held the property by meeting the demands of the company at Washington. Mr. Wylie had taken up the De La Huerta demand with the state department and had been advised to protect the property by meeting the demand if the rebel leader gained control of the port. The demand was received, Mr. Wylie added, before the rebels succeeded in blocking the port.

SECOND PHASE OF INQUIRY AGAINST SQUIRES OPENED

It is Alleged That He Received \$46,000 From Dominion Steel Man—Former Premier Denied Charge to President Roy Wolvin—Case Still Goes on.

(Canadian Press.) ST. JOHN'S Nfld., Jan. 22.—The second phase of the inquiry into allegations against Sir Richard Squires, former Premier of the colony, commenced this morning before T. Hollis Walker, K. C. It concerns the charge embodied in paragraph two of the terms of reference of the commission, which reads as follows: "Whereas it is alleged that while negotiations were in progress between the government of the colony and the Dominion Iron & Steel Company concerning the obligations of the said company to the government, certain monies were paid to the Prime Minister by the Company." In substance the charge is that \$46,000 was paid over to Sir Richard Squires from the funds of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company at Wabana, on Bell Island, by James Miller, then accountant for the company. C. E. Hunt, K. C., presented the case against Sir Richard. He charged that shortly after Sir Richard Squires left for England in 1920, Mr. Glennie, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia here, had called James Miller, accountant of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company, and his sister, Miss Miller (now Mrs. Harsant), who was then Sir Richard's private secretary, to meet him at his residence for consultation. This they did and Mr. Glennie, according to the charge, declared his uneasiness because Sir Richard had left the colony without fixing up his affairs and that he intended having the Premier stopped at Liverpool. It was arranged that Mr. Miller give the bank a check for \$20,000, which he did, followed later by another for \$26,000. Miss Miller gave her brother checks for the same amount. When Sir Richard returned these had not been presented for payment but were taken to Sir Richard who, the charge said, tore them up, saying he did not want it to appear that he had dealings with the company. The amount was then covered by a check for \$46,000 from the Daily Star. This check, Mr. Hunt declared, was dishonored. Later, the charge stated, in Montreal, Sir Richard had stated to President Roy Wolvin, of Besco, controlling the Wabana company, that he had never received the \$46,000 from Miller and hinted that Miller had taken it himself. An audit of Miller's books had found them proper and a certificate was issued to him to that effect.

CHILDREN ARE BURNED IN HOME

(Canadian Press.) ST. JOHN'S Nfld., Jan. 22.—In a fire which destroyed the house of Charles Hayter, Norris Arm, Saturday night and which is believed to have been caused by the explosion of an oil lamp, his three young children were burned to death, his wife was severely perhaps fatally burned and he himself badly burned in attempting to rescue the family.

Federals Attempt to Force Rebels From Oil Fields

(Canadian Press.) TAMPICO, Jan. 22.—Announcement that the Federal armies had taken Guadaluajara the capital of Jalisco caused great excitement here last night. Federal troops are continuing their efforts to rid the oil regions of rebels.

Passenger Plane Destroyed by Fire

(Canadian Press.) LONDON, Jan. 22.—A passenger airplane arriving from Paris this afternoon crashed at the Croydon aerodrome and took fire. The plane was destroyed but no lives lost.

The Weather, Etc.

THE ZERO IN "NOTHING-TO-DO" IS BORING HOLES IN NOODLES TO MAKE SPAGHETTI! TAMPICO, Jan. 23.—Maritime moderate southwest to west winds milder with light snow fall, colder on Thursday. Temperature yesterday: maximum 15 above, minimum 10 below. High tide this afternoon at 12.15 and tonight at 11.46. Sun sets this afternoon at 4.53 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.30. Last quarter moon Tuesday, Jan. 29th, 1:53 a.m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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N. S. Schooner SEVEN MEN PILES ON ROCK ARE DROWNED IN OIL VAT

(Canadian Press.) DIGBY, Jan. 22.—After battling with a heavy sea and wind for twenty hours, the schooner M. Harvey bound from Grand Manan to Weymouth, N. S., with one hundred barrels of herring for the lobster fishery, became a total wreck this morning at ten o'clock when she ran on the rocks two miles from Centre Harbor here and was slowly being dashed to pieces. The crew was saved only after a desperate struggle.

REJECT OFFER OF FIFTEEN DAY TRUCE

(Canadian Press.) SYDNEY, Jan. 22.—Provisional President Silby Barrett of District 26, united mine workers, in a telegram to Premier Armstrong this afternoon rejected the offer of a fifteen days truce during which the negotiations were to be resumed in the hope of reaching a settlement of the present trouble. President Barrett's reply to the Premier followed the receipt of a telegram received late this afternoon from the International President John L. Lewis at Indianapolis.

Government May Intervene in C. B. Trouble

(Canadian Press.) OTTAWA, Jan. 22.—Intervention by federal authorities in the dispute between Cape Breton miners and employers will depend on developments of the next few days. The Ministry of Labor has invited both sides to submit their views on a plan to call a truce during which government investigation of conditions and merits of the strike could be made. The Minister of Labor stated this morning that he hoped to get definite replies from Cape Breton shortly. Meanwhile the government cannot intervene in the matter until invited to do so by one side or the other. WANTED—A MAID TO TAKE care of two children, references required. Apply at this office. 109-1-21-2f

New Government Concerned With Labor Tangle

(British United Press.) LONDON, Jan. 22.—One of the most disheartening features of the Labor tangle confronting the new Labor Government is the attitude that some radical workers take in criticizing J. H. Thomas, head of the National Railway Union and scheduled to become Foreign Minister in the MacDonald cabinet. The men soundly condemn Thomas for urging them to remain at work and this group coupled with the support of Communists among English labor it is feared will provide a serious amount of trouble for the incoming Labor Government.

Bandits Wound Jeweller And Take Diamonds

(Canadian Press.) MONTREAL, Jan. 22.—Shooting and wounding him in the left forearm, four masked men robbed F. Joshi, jeweller of this city of two thousand dollars worth of loose diamonds in his store this morning and escaped in an automobile.

Want Conference To Settle British Rail Strike

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The Executive Committee of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen decided tonight to request railway managers to arrange a conference for settlement of the dispute upon which the present strike is based.

Town Topics Tid-bits on the Tip of Everybody's Tongue

Vol. 1, No. 23 Charlottetown, January 23rd, 1924 FREE Nor in New York! Mr. A. T. O'Leary, of A. T. O'Leary & Co., Colliery Agents, has received a letter from New York which says, in reference to Meir's Chocolates, "Nothing can be bought in this country to equal them." And in almost identical language comes a letter direct to Meirs from Roxbury, Massachusetts, saying: "Nothing to be had here like Meir's Chocolates." The people of Nova Scotia deserve the credit for Meir's Chocolates. The high standard of their taste led to the high standard of the chocolates.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

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