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SAYS FREE STATE LIKE CANADA

Ireland Not at War When Empire Is at War Unless Free State Parliament Says So.

KING'S STATEMENT Gives Their View, Declares T. A. Smiddy, Ambassador of the Free State at Washington.

TORONTO, April 20.—The Plenipotentiary of the Irish Free State at Washington tells Toronto the State is prosperous, functioning nicely, and is, in status, just the same as any of the British Dominions.

OATH "PURELY FORMAL" "We have practically the same connection with Great Britain—rather with the commonwealth of nations known as the British Empire, that you have in Canada," he said.

"It is the status of the Irish Free State is very different from that of Canada, in your view?" "Ours is written down," yours is not. And, for the first time, many constitutional usages are thus set forth.

"SIDESTEPS LEAGUE" "Has the Free State any connection with the League of Nations?" "Yes, we are represented in the League."

"You believe the League will succeed in accomplishing what they are trying to do?" "This question he gave a most guarded answer. He would not say affirmatively that the League would benefit the Irish Free State, although their membership in it would indicate a belief that the League might be useful. He said the question was a political one in the United States, with which he

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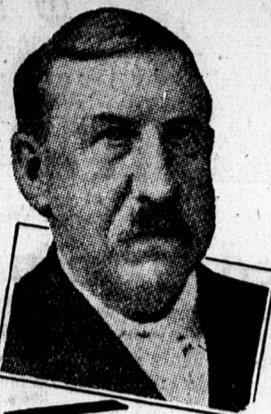
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Col. George Ham



Chief of the C. P. R. Department of Publicity, and known from coast to coast for geniality and humor, who died in Montreal on Thursday, April 15th.

Norge Will Leave on Saturday for Polar Regions

LENINGRAD, April 20.—Under the present arrangements the dirigible Norge will leave for Spitzbergen about noon next Saturday. The Leningrad geographical observatory has arranged to transmit by wireless meteorological bulletins from Russian stations throughout the flight.

Winnipeg Cancels Reception to Baron Byng

WINNIPEG, Man., April 20.—Arrangements for a civic reception to Baron Byng, Governor General of Canada, and Lady Byng, were cancelled today when Lieut.-Governor Sir James Aikins received a telegram from Port Arthur announcing the Governor General's inability to attend the ceremonies planned.

En route to the west Sir James and Mayor Ralph Webb of Winnipeg, will meet the vice-regal train, and express the regrets of Winnipeg citizens and consult as to a future reception.

FIELD MUSEUM ANNOUNCES EXPEDITION

CHICAGO, April 20.—The Field Museum of Natural History announced an expedition to the sub-Arctic this summer, led by Captain Donald B. MacMillan and financed by Frederick H. Rawson, Chicago banker.

The expedition will leave Wiscasset, Me., about June 13, in MacMillan's famous schooner Bowdoin and will carry ten men, all explorers and scientists, on a scientific venture which will occupy the entire summer. The expedition will collect zoological, anthropological and botanical specimens for the Institution from the sub-Arctic region which is not now substantially represented in the Museum's collection.

Mr. Rawson agreed to finance the expedition upon the assurance of the Museum Field, of the museum that the enterprise will be of great benefit to science in extending a knowledge of products of unknown lands. The party will go from Wiscasset to Sydney, N. S., where the last of the supplies and equipment will be taken aboard, and it will proceed to Bait Harbor, Labrador, for exploration of Norse ruins there.

An effort will be made to substantiate tales that Norsemen were there a thousand years ago and that they had explored the coast of North America three centuries before Columbus landed. The research in Labrador will enable comparison of findings with those of research among Norse ruins in Greenland.

Carpenter Sends Briand Pocket Money

PARIS, April 20.—Aristide Briand, Premier and Foreign Minister of France, has returned to a carpenter of the town of Moulins the sum of one thousand francs sent him for "pocket money". "I have just learned", the carpenter wrote to Briand, "that you are paid only 90,000 francs a year (roughly \$3,225). Please find enclosed a thousand francs note for your incidentals". The carpenter, it appears, has been a lifelong admirer of M. Briand and acted solely out of generosity with no thought of gaining publicity.

Aliens to be Taxed Under New Law

MEXICO CITY, April 20.—The new immigration law is published today in Diario Oficial, thereby becoming effective. The law requires a tax on all incoming aliens and registration of all aliens; it prohibits the entrance of aliens pursuing a calling forbidden in Mexico which may be applied to ministers of the gospel. The Executive is authorized to decide upon the admissibility of aliens. This means that he can refuse admission to any person.

Report of C. N. R. President Tabled in House

OTTAWA, April 20.—Should substantial reductions in freight rates be essential for the well being and development of any section of the Dominion, declares Sir Henry Thornton, President of the Canadian National Railways, in the House by the Minister of Railways this afternoon, relief should take the form of a government subsidy without disturbance of a reasonable tariff fabric.

The report shows that last year the operating surplus of the Canadian National Railways for 1925 was \$15,020,163 ahead of the previous year. Net deficit after meeting all fixed and other charges was \$41,444,764 or \$13,405,654 less than the previous year. "It is interesting to note," says Sir Henry, "that the net operating earnings were approximately equal to eighty percent of interest payable to the public as funded debt as compared with about 45 percent in 1924."

Violent Earthquakes In The Azores

LONDON, April 20.—Earthquakes recurring with increasing violence have done great material damage in the Azores says a Lisbon despatch to the Daily Express. The population of Azores is in a state of great excitement.

The Weather, Etc.

DON'T GIVE ALL YOUR ADVICE AWAY; SAVE SOME FOR YOURSELF



TORONTO, April 20.—Maritime movements today, the beginning of an increasing north-west and west gales, gradually clearing. Maximum and minimum temperatures: Toronto, fair 32-22; Montreal, clear 30-20; Quebec, clear 34-18; Charlottetown, snow 28-24; Halifax, snow 46-26; St. John, snow 38-24; Boston, clear 46-36; New York, fair 40-28; High tide this afternoon at 4.16 and tomorrow morning at 7.16. Sun sets this evening at 6.56 and rises tomorrow morning at 5.11. Full moon Sunday, April 27th, 7.53 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

YESTERDAY'S SNOW STORM AGAIN BLOCKS RAILWAY

Wind Accompanied by Heavy Snowfall Reached Velocity of Sixty Miles an Hour.

After enjoying only a few days of springlike weather Prince Edward Island is once again in the grip of the snow king. A stiff north-easter reaching a velocity of forty miles and at times sixty miles an hour accompanied by a heavy snow fall held the island in its grasp from early yesterday morning until late in the night.

The city was again taken on a wintry appearance and sleigh bells inside of twenty-four hours can again be heard in place of the moving wheeled traffic. Last night new snow drifts in some sections had attained a height of from four to five feet and snow shovels were again forced out of retirement to cope with the situation.

The Borden train was about three hours late due to heavy drifts arriving in the city at 10 o'clock. The Georgetown train which left yesterday morning was reported at midnight to be stuck somewhere between Mount Stewart and Cardigan. The Murray Harbor train which left the city yesterday afternoon at 3.30 was snowbound at the same hour near Hermitage. The western train leaving here for Summerside at 3 o'clock was reported in heavy snow drifts between Freetown and Kensington. No trains at time of writing were moving west of Summerside.

INDIANS REPORT U. S. DECLINES STRANGE SEA LEAGUE'S INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN WORLD COURT CONFERENCE IN GENEVA NEXT SEPT.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The League of Nations invitation to participate in the World Court conference in Geneva next September was declined formally today by the United States.

An acknowledgement, which was cabled by Secretary Kellogg to Alan F. Winslow, Charge of the Legation, for transmission to Sir Eric Drummond, Secretary General of the League, said it did not seem "appropriate" for the United States government to be represented. It invited attention to the League's circular to the 43 court protocol signatories, asking "no difficulty in the way of securing the States the difficulty of treating the Senate reservations by direct negotiations."

It would seem to me, Mr. Kellogg said, to be a matter of regret if the Council of the League should do anything to create the impression of any partiality, and contained difficulties in the way of such direct communication.

French Franc Reaches New Low Level

PARIS, April 20.—The French franc steadily declined today and when the Bourse closed it had reached a new low level of 30.32 to the dollar, as compared with yesterday's closing figure of 30.27. The fall, which is attributed to financial circles to heavy selling for Italian and Belgian accounts, is not regarded as extremely grave. It is pointed out that the francs now being sold have been abroad for several years.

First Gold Shipment From United States to Canada

(Special to the Guardian) NEW YORK, April 20.—The International acceptance bank in conjunction with Harris, Forbes and Company, has shipped \$1,000,000 of gold to Canada it was announced today.

Toronto Celebrates Victory of Zebrugg

(Special to the Guardian) TORONTO, April 20.—In commemoration of Zebrugg Day, a large and representative gathering attended the banquet of the Navy League of Canada in the Ballroom of the King Edward Hotel last night when one of the glorious naval episodes of the Great War was proudly and reverently remembered. Not only did the speakers of Canada pay tribute to the gallant exploit, but the representative of a foreign nation, Cuba, added his word of appreciation.

Files Suit For \$3,000,000 Damages

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 20.—Anne Nichols, author and producer of "Able's Irish Rose" has filed suit for damages of \$3,000,000 against the Universal Pictures Corporation, alleging that the motion picture "The Cohens and the Kellys" was plagiarized from her play, and that she was damaged to this extent. Miss Nichols who named Carl Laemmle and Harry Pollard as joint defendants with the company, also asked that an injunction against further showing of the picture be ordered.

Whaler Returns After 25,000 Mile Cruise

(Canadian Press) NEW YORK, April 20.—The Norwegian whaler, Sir James Clark Ross, arrived yesterday at pier 9, Stapleton, Staten Island, after a nine months cruise to King Edward VI. Land in the Antarctic. Since departure she had cruised more than 25,000 miles. Mr. Duff said that Capt. Zinck had been appointed on his recommendation three years ago. The reason for the appointment was that a number of American citizens chartered vessels to carry liquor from St. Pierre and Miquelon to points in the United States, and these vessels put into Lunenburg for outfit and repairs. It was felt necessary to appoint a man to see that no liquor came ashore from these vessels.

Steps Taken to Form International Coal Trust

(Special to the Guardian) LONDON, April 19.—Further steps have been taken in the direction of an international coal trust. Sir Alfred Mond is principal promoter in England and two leading members of the German coal syndicate which controls selling prices in Germany are now in London at Mond's invitation. They are to discuss the technical details of the formation of national and international coal pools.

In a statement to the press Sir Alfred Mond said the first step to an international arrangement is to have a national arrangement in Britain. He feels certain the Miners' Federation will be in a better position to consent to some alteration in wages if they saw in an international stabilization of prices some hope that the lowering of wages would only be temporary. Sir Alfred has had twenty five years' experience of international selling agreements in the nickel and chemical industries.

The same idea of international price agreements was expounded on Saturday at Essen by Walter Leaf, chairman of Westminster Bank and President of the International Chamber of Commerce which is now holding its annual meeting at Essen. Leaf is an advocate of free trade between all nations and he looks to the forthcoming economic conference of the League of Nations to lessen the tariff barriers. He says that the abolition of trade barriers must involve trade agreements on a large scale to prevent production being increased irrespective of times of prosperity without thought of the reaction that must occur when the supply overtakes the demand.

Ont. Delegation To March On Ottawa

(Special to the Guardian) OSHAWA, Ont., April 20.—One hundred and fifty municipal cities throughout Ontario have advised Mayor Preston of their intention to join the province-wide delegation in Ottawa at noon on Friday to protest automobile tariff reductions. A theatre has been engaged in the capital for holding a mass meeting previous to the march to Parliament Hill.

Wilkins Expedition 100 Miles From Point Barrow

(Special to the Guardian) TORONTO, Ont., April 20.—Missing since Thursday morning when they took off from Fairbanks, Alaska for Point Barrow, 500 miles distant, the welcome word was received today in an exclusive despatch to the Star that Capt. Wilkins, commander of the Arctic expedition and Carl Nielson, his pilot, had been sighted by Eskimos flying on Thursday 100 miles southeast of Point Barrow.

DEPT'Y SPEAKER QUEBEC GOV'T ON WITNESS STAND FIRM ON FILM CENSORING

Testifies on Behalf of Capt. Zinck Charged With Attempting to Defraud Customs Dept. Out of Sums of Money.

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, April 20.—William Duff, Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons and member for Lunenburg, took the witness stand before the Customs investigating committee this morning to testify on behalf of Capt. J. D. Zinck of Lunenburg.

On Friday last the committee held a hearing to evidence suggesting that Capt. Zinck had attempted to defraud the Customs Department out of sums of money collected from vessels which put into Lunenburg with liquor cargoes. Mr. Duff said that Capt. Zinck had been appointed on his recommendation three years ago. The reason for the appointment was that a number of American citizens chartered vessels to carry liquor from St. Pierre and Miquelon to points in the United States, and these vessels put into Lunenburg for outfit and repairs. It was felt necessary to appoint a man to see that no liquor came ashore from these vessels.

Capt. Zinck had a good reputation and was honest, capable and efficient, Mr. Duff said. He had put a watchman aboard each of these vessels while in port paying each watchman five dollars per day for this work, which was charged to the vessel on which he was stationed. Inspector Holt of Halifax, however, instructed Captain Zinck to raise this charge to fifty cents an hour or \$12 per day. Captain Zinck to pay his men \$5 a day, laying aside the difference until he received instructions what to do with it.

On a number of occasions said Mr. Duff, Captain Zinck had asked for instructions as to the disposal of the money and had received none.

APPEALS FOR A STRONGER NAVY

FRENCH SECRETARY OF NAVAL BUDGET SAYS MEDITERRANEAN MUST BE KEPT FOR FREE INTERCOURSE WITH AFRICA.

PARIS, April 20.—The French Senate Friday listened to a plea for a stronger navy from M. Raiberti, Secretary of the Naval Budget Committee. The appeal is generally taken to be of special significance because of the recent manifestation of Italian policy, notably Premier Mussolini's speeches claiming the Mediterranean as an Italian lake and his declarations of the necessity for Italian expansion.

M. Raiberti himself is a native of the Alpes Maritimes, part of which the Fascist secretly covet, it is understood. In plain language he said: "France is a Mediterranean power, and needs free communications with North Africa. As a colonial power she must have freedom of the seas in order to be able to communicate with her colonies."

M. Raiberti insisted that France cannot make greater sacrifices than she did at the Washington conference and particularly could not submit to a reduction in the number of her submarines. He mentioned that although 72 new warships are being built for France, only 30 are nearly ready to be put in commission. "The old marine must disappear," he said, "to make room for the new."

Won't Alter Rules to Suit U. S. Views. DOMINION BAN

Is Taschereau's threat for Movies That Fail to Enter Quebec.

QUEBEC, April 20.—Premier Taschereau today made known the stand of his government in the argument now proceeding between the Provincial Censor Board and the American producers of moving pictures.

The prime minister asserted emphatically that the government fully approved the stand taken by the Censor Board and declared that if the producers were not prepared to abide by the rulings of the board they could stop shipping their films into the province. "If the American producers believe," said the premier, "we are going to change our regulations in order that their films may enter our province more easily they are making a grave error. We have a censor board that knows what is suitable for our province and for our population. We believe it fulfills its duties well and it has even been reproached for lack of severity."

"If the producers of moving pictures threaten us with deprivation of their films unless we are ready to renounce our censorship, they can keep their films. We will not renounce our censorship nor our right to censor."

"There are magistrates who tell us that objectionable pictures are the cause of much of the crime committed by young people and that is also my opinion. Besides, I believe if American producers take this stand, independent and European companies will bring their films here. I will go farther. If it expected to boycott the province of Quebec for a moral reason, we will take up with the federal government the question of not permitting the other provinces to have the films which I believe cannot enter our province and I believe that Ottawa will stand our request."

Negative Reply to Budget Query

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, April 20.—"I think my right Hon. friend may rely upon there not being any" said Premier King last night in answer to a question from Right Hon. Arthur Meighen as to whether there will be any budget modifications or amendments tomorrow. The debate on the Budget begins this afternoon.

100 Fishermen Reported Missing

(Canadian Press) TOKIO, April 20.—More than a hundred fishermen are reported missing as a result of a severe storm in the Japanese sea. Considerable damage has been done and there has been casualties on the island of Hokkaido and on the Kurile Islands. A destroyer is aiding in the rescue work.

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