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**MANY PERISH WHEN HOTEL IS BURNED**

One of Pennsylvania's Oldest Hotels Now a Mass of Ruins—Over 20 in Hospitals.

(Canadian Press)  
ALLENTOWN, Pa., Jan. 24.—The early today destroyed the century old Lafayette Hotel taking with it a toll of at least eight lives, and leaving three or four persons believed to be in the smouldering ruins. Twenty persons are in two hospitals some of them in a critical condition.

There were 48 guests in the hotel when the fire started. Only one of the bodies has been identified that of Miss Anna Novak, waitress. With but one or two exceptions most of the guests came from eastern Pennsylvania.

**Will Again Try For Anthracite Settlement**

(Canadian Press)  
WILKESBARRRE, Pa., Jan. 21.—International president John L. Lewis of the Miners Union has asked Edwin Markle Chairman of the Miners and Operators Joint Commission to call a joint conference. Mr. Lewis asked that the meeting be held either in the anthracite regions or in New York as the operators preferred.

The meeting was asked, Mr. Lewis stated, on a basis that W. W. Ingalls head of the Operators Negotiations Committee and miners had accepted in principle a peace plan proposed by Scranton.

**Cayuga Indians to Receive \$100,000**

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—Private advice have been received here that the Pecuniary Claims Commission which concluded its sittings at Washington on December 23 last has handed down judgment awarding the Cayuga Indians of Canada \$100,000, in settlement of their claims against the State of New York.

The claim is an old one originating in time of the American revolution.

**Prince Applies for Position on S. A. Governor's Staff**

(Special to The Guardian)  
LONDON, Jan. 24.—The favorable impression created by the Prince of Wales during his recent tour of South Africa seems to have had an influence on his brother Prince Henry. A despatch from Cape Town says it is reported there that Prince Henry has applied for an appointment on the staff of his uncle the Earl of Athlone who is Governor General of South Africa.

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**Expects C. N. R. Station Will be Completed Within Year**

(Special to The Guardian)  
TORONTO, Jan. 24.—Here today on a regular visit to confer with his department heads. Sir Henry Thornton, President of the Canadian National Railways said that he was extremely hopeful the New Union Station would be in use in time for the exhibition and stated that the proposed office building for the corner of King and Yonge Streets would go on.

Sir Henry expressed the opinion that Canada had turned the corner and added "we all expect to make a little money this year."

**Peace Within Empire Theme Of Speeches**

(Special to The Guardian)  
NEW YORK, Peace and the homogeneity of the British Empire were the themes of the speeches at the dinner of the New York Canadian Society tonight.

Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador at Washington declared that there is little chance of realization of the prophetic croak about an early dissolution of the component parts of the empire.

Sir Robert Borden, Canada's wartime premier paid tribute to the work of the League of Nations but found the greatest forward pace in the peace treaties and pacts of nations but in the spirit which brought them about. Sir Robert made reference to the mutual goodwill which existed between Canada and the United States and said that had he remained at the helm of Canadian affairs the Dominion would by this time have had a minister at Washington.

**S. C. M. Students Enjoy Tobogganing Party**

About fifty ardent, hardy and enthusiastic tobogganers, the majority of them girls gathered at the "Y" Saturday night about 7.30 in preparation for the night's pleasure.

Some doubt was expressed as to the advisability of going out owing to the extreme cold weather but when a vote was taken every one was in favor of the trip.

At about 8 o'clock sharp the gang pulled away from the "Y" with six toboggans in tow after a very brisk walk they arrived safely at the slide and the fun began, continuing for one hour. Say they enjoyed it, every person stepping lively to keep warm and moving in one endless chain. The Chinese explanation of sliding worked out well when he described in words like this "Whist! waikes back a mile."

Next back to the "Y" where all joined heartily and hungrily into doing ample justice to the light refreshments which were provided there.

A sing-song followed in which all joined heartily then home, everyone voting it by far the most enjoyable Saturday night program yet held and wondering when the next is coming off.

**Printed Text of Locarno Treaty Tabled in House**

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—The text in printed form of the Locarno treaty of October 16, 1925 and of subsidiary treaties between Poland and France and between France and Czechoslovakia were tabled in the House of Commons last night.

The provisions of the treaties already have been made public in cable despatches. Correspondence between Canada and British or foreign governments relating to Canada's part in the negotiations was not tabled. It was asked for by Henry Bourassa, Independent member for Labelle but Hon Ernest LaPointe acting government leader explained that such correspondence being confidential the government could not make it public without consent. He readily agreed to obtain such consent if possible.

**REMEMBER YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A MOSLEM TO USE A TURKISH TOWEL**



**CLOUDS OF WAR LOWER OVER FAR EAST**

"Red" Army Threatening to Invade Manchuria, Embassy Reveals.

**JAPAN FEARS SITUATION**

Any Unfortunate Incident Might Lead to Fighting, Some Say.

LONDON, Jan. 24.—The talk of war ultimatums between Russia and China arising out of the dispute between the Soviet government and Chang-Tso-Lin over the right of Chinese soldiers to travel free over the Chinese Eastern Railway is becoming general throughout the Far East say despatches received this morning in London from Peking and Tokyo.

"The Red" army will invade Manchuria unless China meets the Russian demands for immediate settlement of the conflict between Chinese soldiers and the Soviet officials of the Chinese Eastern Railway is the statement attributed to the Soviet Embassy at Tokio after the receipt of a cable from Grandt, the Soviet Russian consul at Harbin, giving details of disturbances at Chang Chun when Chinese soldiers were seized and the railway traffic paralyzed, while the soldiers were refused free transportation which they regard as their inalienable right.

Russia is taking drastic steps to enforce her treaty rights, says the Harbin consul, and will even use her army for this purpose if necessary. The Japanese are naturally watching these threats with the utmost concern. Japan fears that she may become embroiled in the case when her own Manchurian interests are involved. This would occur if the Soviet government were to invade the country.

"While some correspondents in the Far East think that the whole affair will blow over, others emphasize the apprehension that they say is generally felt throughout the Far East and state that any unfortunate incident might lead to war in which Russia and Japan might be involved.

There is no information in official circles here about the dispute, save that it is being watched with grave uneasiness.

MOSCOW, Jan. 24.—Foreign Minister Tchitcherine has forwarded to China a demand that M. Ivanoff, Russian General Manager of the Chinese Eastern Railway, under arrest by the Chinese at Harbin, be released within three days and that the Chinese observe the agreements concerning the railway otherwise, he said, the Soviet will be allowed to take independent action.

**ISLAND RAILWAY SERVICE SUFFERS FROM SNOW STORM**

All Lines Were Reported Clear Yesterday—Only Serious Tie-ups Were on the Murray Harbor and Souris Branches

Friday's heavy snowfall and the drifting caused the following high wind held up the trains running on the Prince Edward Island branch for the first time this winter, the Murray Harbor line being the hardest hit. The train that left Murray Harbor at 8.00 a. m. on Saturday morning was stuck from half past nine of that day until 11.00 a. m. on Sunday about a mile and half north of Surrey. A go train left Charlottetown to go to her assistance on Saturday evening and by Sunday morning was at Ulgie. At 7 o'clock last night she was reported to be almost at Murray Harbor, and the line practically cleared. At places along this branch there are drifts over ten feet in height, and at the point where the train was blocked the cutting was aged between eight and ten feet and was about six hundred yards in length. A gang of twenty snow shovelers was used to aid the plow along this line.

The Saturday morning Borden Express left on schedule time, but although an extra with a snow plow had gone ahead to clear the line, the cuttings rapidly filled in and the passenger train was obliged to return after having got only as far as the jail-crossing. She left again with an extra engine at 8.55 and arrived at Borden at 11.45, two hours late. The incoming Borden train did not leave the terminal until 8.53, as the Maritime Express was also having trouble and running behind time. The mails and passengers from the mainland reached the city Saturday night at 11.10.

The train from Summerside stuck two miles out of Tignish at 11 o'clock on Saturday morning, and a relief train was sent out from Side in the evening. She succeeded in getting through on Saturday and yesterday morning a train from the western terminus got through to Summerside. She left on return at 7.10 last night.

The eastern train was snowed in Saturday morning between Elmira and Souris. A regular left Ok'Town at 3.20 in the afternoon and went through on time, opening up the Elmira branch this morning and making the west bound train to reach Charlottetown at 2.50 Sunday afternoon.

The Georgetown train experienced but little trouble and arrived in the city very little behind time. She reached Georgetown at 11 o'clock Saturday night.

**Sing Song at The Y. M. C. A.**

The Y. M. C. A. Song Service last night was especially attractive and successful. Over 300 young folks attended. Rev. Dr. Ches Squires of Lynn, Mass., was the speaker of the evening and his subject, loyalty was one specially adapted for students, and was most helpful and interesting.

During the service the Y. M. C. A. Trio consisting of Messrs Craswell, Johnson and Farquharson rendered two very pleasing numbers which were heartily enjoyed.

Mr. Walter McNutt was the accompanist for the Sing Song and acquitted himself in his usual capable manner.

Special thanks are tendered to all who gave so kindly of their service.

**Cardinal Mercier**

World famous churchman who is dead at the age of 74 years.



**Germany Accepts Invitation Of League**

(Canadian Press)  
BERLIN, Jan. 24.—The Berlin Tageblatt says that the German cabinet decided to accept the invitation of the League of Nations to take part in the preparatory commission for a disarmament conference.

**Death Yesterday Of Mr. C. B. VanDerstine**

In the death of Mr. Cephus B. VanDerstine, which occurred at his home in this city early Sunday morning, Charlottetown loses an esteemed and highly respected citizen, and the news of his passing will be heard with deep regret.

The late Mr. VanDerstine, who was in his sixty second year, was a native of Vernon River, his father being Mr. Donald VanDerstine. For the greater part of his life he has lived in this city, and he has been for the last twenty two years in his Majesty's Service as caretaker of the local armories. During this time he officiated in this capacity with efficiency and obliging manner made him very popular with the officers and men alike of the local military units.

For thirty one years the deceased was a prominent member of the Oddfellows fraternity.

He leaves to mourn besides his sorrowing widow, formerly Miss Esther Fairbairn, two sons: Beverly C., a partner in the firm of Carwell Bros., and Frank, with De Blois Bros. The deceased was a valued citizen, and a representative of King Albert when the end came.

Special masses for the illustrious dead will be celebrated throughout the city on Monday afternoon, and the funeral will be held at the late Mr. C. B. VanDerstine, DR. O. F. DEWAR, N. G. Willey Lodge, SAINT JOHN, HEARN, N. G. St. Lawrence Lodge.

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**DEATH CLAIMS AGED CARDINAL OF ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Belgian Primate Had Long and Illustrious Career and Was Regarded as One of Worlds Leading Churchmen - Played Heroic Part in Great War

(Canadian Press)  
BRUSSELS, Jan. 24.—Cardinal Mercier, primate of Belgium and one of the heroic figures of the Great War died today at the age of 74 losing his long battle against decline that set in after an operation on Dec. 29th.

Death came at three o'clock this afternoon.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 24.—The aged Primate of the Church slipped quietly into the hereafter with all of specting a monument to the memory of the wartime soul of Belgium for his speedy recovery of the grace of a happy death as the church formula has it. He was surrounded by members of his family faithful clergy of his archdiocese the Papal Nuncio in Brussels and a representative of King Albert when the end came.

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**Funeral Notice**

The members of St. Willey Lodge No. 25, I. O. O. F., are requested to meet in the Lodge Room at 1.45 this afternoon for the purpose of attending the funeral of Late Mr. C. B. VanDerstine. DR. O. F. DEWAR, N. G. Willey Lodge, SAINT JOHN, HEARN, N. G. St. Lawrence Lodge.

**OCEAN LIMITED WILL ASK THAT INVENTION OF "FLEXIBLE" GLASS**

Wreck Occurred 14 Miles East of Moncton—Caused by Ice on Tracks.

(Canadian Press)  
MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 24.—A dozen people were injured, three quite serious but not considered dangerous, when the east bound Ocean Limited, which left here at 5.15 last evening left the rails at Charbon Mills fourteen miles east of Moncton. Four cars including the locomotive, dining car, the two sleeping cars and the observation car remained on the rails, while the postal car, the colonist car, express car, baggage car and two first class cars left the rails and slid down the embankment on their sides. Fortunately the cars were not badly broken up and to this is attributed the fact that no one was killed and the list of injured was comparatively small.

The list of injured as compiled by the Canadian National Railways authorities this evening was as follows: Mr and Mrs George Johnson, Sydney, street car cases, injured not considered dangerous; Archie Boswell, home Amherst, employee of F. W. Colpitts Company, Moncton, shoulder injured, not dangerous; Max Hottelcher, in yard bound passenger from S. S. Moose, L. Halifax, minor injuries; Fred Johnson, Sydney injured not serious; Arthur Cormier, Moncton, fingers cut; Mrs Gagnan, no address, inward bound passenger from S. S. Montreal; Ouhattan, Alberta, enroute overseas minor injuries to head. Max Leblanc, pullman car inspector, Moncton, minor injuries.

Upon receipt of the news of the wreck here a relief train with doctors and nurses accompanied by General Manager Appleton and other C. N. R. officials was rushed to the scene of the accident and the injured attended to. The injured and other passengers suffering from shock were brought to Moncton and the injured taken to the hospital where they received further treatment.

Several injured are being delayed in the hospital here until in a condition to be forwarded to their homes. The remainder of those receiving minor injuries after being treated at the hospital were forwarded to their homes today.

Several hundred yards of track was torn up by the run off and a big force of men were employed last night and today closing up the wreck. At noon today the line was reported clear for traffic. Last night's Maritime Express westbound was held up east of the wreck, but passengers and mails were transferred and forwarded, after being delayed by about three hours. No official statement has been given out as to the cause of the wreck but it was probably due to snow and ice. Tonight the injured in the hospital are reported doing well.

**RUSSIA REQUESTING DELAY**

Soviets Fear Assassination and Recall Slaying of Two Years Ago.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—Geneva's reputation as a gathering place for murderous fanatics is the principal reason for the imminent postponement of the preliminary disarmament conference, according to an authoritative British interpretation of the situation. The League of Nations hopes by the delay to induce the Swiss government to search out these dangerous persons.

Postponement is especially urged by Soviet Russia. Moscow, with the support of some members of the League, fears that Soviet representatives at a conference in Geneva would be in danger of the fate which overtook M. Vorovsky a couple of years ago when he died from an assassin's bullet there. The assassin was found not guilty of the murder by the Swiss courts and was set free. It is recalled that the wife of the Emperor Franz Joseph, died under "mysterious circumstances" in Geneva in 1898. Subsequently it was admitted that she had been assassinated.

Geneva is one of several continental cities where spies and fanatics gather in times of peace as well as in times of war.

It is authoritatively said that Russia has decided to participate in the disarmament conference, but is sincerely reluctant to subject her representatives to danger from political maniacs.

By postponement the League hopes first to persuade the Russians that they would be safe in Geneva, and second to arrange with the Swiss Government for drastic searching out of the fanatics, and public and secret police precautions sufficient to remove all danger.

France has been selected as the agent to deal with Russia in this connection, owing to the inability of Great Britain or Germany to act. It is authoritatively stated that the proposed treaty between the two nations, and Germany is suspected in Russia because of her affiliations arising from the Locarno agreements.

If private arrangements could be reached for the safety of Soviet diplomats in Geneva, the differences between Switzerland and Russia arising from the acquittal of Vorovsky's assassin would be composed easily, it is said.

The foregoing may be accepted as the official British version of the disarmament conference situation, but there also is reason to believe that Anglo-French differences as to the scope and intent of disarmament are a major factor in making postponement of the conference advisable.

**4 Irish Prisoners Refused Liberty**

(Canadian Press)  
BELFAST, Jan. 24.—Forty Irish political prisoners in Northern Ireland will be liberated with warnings not to return to Ulster for five years as the result of rehearings instituted after the boundary settlement concluded. Four prisoners have been refused their freedom. They are Patrick Johnson whose original death sentence for killing a warden in an attempt to escape from Derry Jail in 1921 was commuted to fifteen years imprisonment; Sean McCurtain, member of Tipperary in 1916; W. D. Cook, Major K. C. Rogers and Major D. A. Macdonald. The active part-bearers, chosen from the Oddfellows Society, are Messrs. D. F. Bellane, John Hearn, Angus Wednesday, Jan. 27th at 8 o'clock at the Oddfellows Society the officiating MacEchtern, Fred Renney, John Smith, "The Science, Art, and Philosophy of Chronology," and Henry Lap MeHea and Patrick Leonard.

Are as follows: Col. J. P. Hooper, 55 on Jan. 27th. If not fine on Col. G. E. Full, Col. C. Leigh, Col. Jan. 29th. Good specialities. 7385-23-1-41

\*\*The Hope River Dramatic Society will stage their play "Home Ties" in Tyrone Hall, Lot 55 on Jan. 27th. If not fine on Col. G. E. Full, Col. C. Leigh, Col. Jan. 29th. Good specialities. 7385-23-1-41

\*\*Dr. Carson will deliver a lecture in his office, Riley Building, Wednesday, Jan. 27th at 8 o'clock on "The Science, Art, and Philosophy of Chronology." Everybody welcome. 7414-25-11

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The first Red Cross Home Nursing class will be given this evening at 7.30 p. m. at the Red Cross, 59 Grafton St. 7392-23-1-21

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