

# MRS. WALLIS SIMPSON OFFERS TO WITHDRAW THOUSANDS MISSING IN PHILIPPINE FLOOD

## Empire Anxiously Awaits Decision Of His Majesty

### Dirigible Arrives At Home Port

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) FRANKFORT-ON-MAIN, Germany, Dec. 7.—The dirigible Hindenburg arrived here tonight from South America after having caused excitement in the French Anjou district, near the Swiss border, when peasants reported it had crashed.

### COMING EVENTS

- Dance in French River Hall, Wednesday, December 9th. Admission 20 cents. L-1120-12-8-11.
- Buying live hogs Albany Thursday 10th, Emerald 11th until noon. G. C. Green. L-5113-6-twt-11.
- Big dance North River Hall, Wednesday, 9th. Haymakers Orchestra. Genis 25c. Ladies free. L-1123-12-9-21.
- Geo. Leightner Co. (next Queen Hotel) now buying all kinds of dressed poultry. Try us. L-954-12-2-tf.
- Monthly meeting Ladies' Aid, Prince Edward Island Hospital, Wednesday, 3.30 p. m. at Hospital. L-1134.
- Buying live and dressed chickens and fowl, also geese and ducks at our warehouse, Wednesday, 9th. Deane and MacKay, Albany. L-1135-12-8-21.
- Buying dressed poultry, all kinds, Thursday, December 10th. Paying highest market prices. R. J. McDonald and Co., Cardigan. L-1018-12-4-51.
- Buying dressed poultry, all kinds, Thursday, December 10th. Paying highest market prices. Sgd. Park Bros. Montague. L-1082-12-5-41.
- Buying dressed poultry, all kinds, Wednesday, Dec. 9. Paying highest market prices. Matthew and McLean, Bridgetown. L-1047-12-4-41.
- Buying Dressed Poultry, Geese and Ducks every Tuesday at St. Anne's Bridge. Friday at North River. Upton Smith. L-1065-12-5-31.
- Borden Line Club loading hogs, calves every Wednesday at Albany. Hours 12-3. L-6972-10-M T W tf.
- Buying all kinds of live and dressed Poultry every day except Saturday. G. C. Green. L-726-11-26-27-28-M T W Lf.
- When shopping for Christmas be sure to visit Jean's Novelty Gift Shop, 193 Hillsboro Street. L-1126-12-8-10.
- Come to the Dance in Spring Valley Hall, Thursday night, Dec. 10th. George Chappelle, violinist. If you fine, Friday. L-1119-12-8-21.
- New Argy's Christmas Concert, Monday, December 21st. Admission 25c. Sale of candy. L-1116-12-8-11.
- Bean Supper in Stanley Bridge Hall in aid of Sanatorium on Wednesday, December 9th. Serving from four to ten. Admission 25c. If not fine Thursday. L-1070-12-5-31.
- Zion Church hot turkey supper, fancy work, children's novelties, handkerchiefs, candy and some cooking table. L-113-12-8-31.
- Loading live hogs at Kensington, December 10. Nichol on Bros. loading at Hunter River same date. McEwen and Campbell. L-1109-12-7-21.
- Buying live hogs at Five Buses, Wednesday, Dec. 9 and 10. Two weeks until further advised. Buying live and dressed poultry all kinds daily. Signed Justin Larkin. L-971-12-2-41.
- Annual Meeting Kensington Live Stock Shipping Club will be held in King George Hall, Kensington on Wednesday afternoon, December 16th, at 1 o'clock sharp. Important business and a full attendance of members urgently requested. John R. Sharpe, Secretary. L-1121-12-11-21.

### Off To A Good Start This Year's Santa Pals

One thing about Santa Pals, corresponding with Santa Claus, is that none of the children see them in the flesh. Pals are anonymous so far as the little ones are concerned, they only realize that Santa Claus is a reality, made possible by the Good Spirit which prevails round about the twenty-fifth of December.

It may be old-fashioned for sophisticated grown-ups to play the part of Santa, but half the joy of life would be lost were it not that at least once a year, an opportunity was given to forget ourselves in thinking of others—especially of the less fortunate little ones.

No parent with even a modicum of parental love in their hearts would dream of disillusioning their little ones on the subject of the reality of the bearer of gifts which mysteriously arrive on Christmas Eve. At night the children retire to rest in faith and confidence that while they sleep a Saint, known to them as Claus, will find his way somehow, if not down the chimney, at least through the key hole into their home and fill their stockings, or equivalent with gifts reminiscent of those borne by the Wise Men from the East.

And when they came into the house they saw the young child with Mary his mother... and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold and frankincense and myrrh.

That is our precedent for Christmas giving to children, and the practice has been continued down through the ages, only it is not always practicable for the Wisemen of today personally to visit and leave their gifts: so an opportunity is given them to make their contributions through the Santa Pal Fund for the little ones who, through no fault of their own, may otherwise be overlooked. He gives twice who gives quickly.

We were greatly heartened and encouraged yesterday morning to receive from that great and good friend of little children, His Hon. Lieut. Governor Col. G. D. DeBlois, a cheque for \$50 accompanied "with best wishes" "God bless you" respond all the Tiny Tims in our midst.

### GLOATS OVER PARTY VICTORY AT MONTREAL

### Premier Campbell in Boastful Mood Before Women's Liberal Club.

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) MONTREAL, Dec. 7.—Premier Campbell of Prince Edward Island today told Montreal Women's Central Liberal Club his province had taken example from its two larger sister Maritime Provinces so effectively, that the provincial Conservative party had not only been defeated but virtually "annihilated."

Since 1931, he said, not a single Conservative has been elected in the Island which he felt, might serve as "a little inspirational example" to the others and to the Dominion as a whole.

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Dec. 7.—Six Hamilton men, charged with pillaging the Spanish vessel Cristobal Colon, wrecked off Bermuda recently, were convicted and sentenced in Supreme Court today.

### National Anthem Loudly Sung By Ex-servicemen

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LONDON, Dec. 7.—The National Anthem was loudly sung tonight by 400 Canadian ex-servicemen at a reunion dinner of the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

### FISCAL REFORM TO BE SOUGHT BY PROVINCES

### Whole Question of Financial Relations Between Provinces and Dominions to be Aired.

OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—(CP)—In addition to the regular agenda prepared for the National Finance Committee which opens sessions here Wednesday under the chairmanship of Finance Minister Charles Dunning, there are understood to be some petitions and representations from various organizations and groups having to do with fiscal reform in the provinces.

The whole question of financial relations between the provinces and Dominion will be canvassed with the hope of introducing system and harmony in public financing. The committee will also go into the matter of duplication of effort in tax collecting and in taxation itself.

OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—(CP)—Fairer distribution of tax revenue and reduction of tax collection costs will be discussed at the inter-provincial financial conference at Ottawa, Quebec Provincial Treasurer said here today.

### Duke Of York Dines With King

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LONDON, Dec. 8.—(Tuesday)—The Duke of York, heir presumptive, who is spending a few days at his lodge in Windsor Great Park, was reported to have dined with the King at nearby Fort Belvedere last night.

### 2,000 Loyalists Slain Is Report

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) SEVILLE, Spain, Dec. 7.—An insurgent radio broadcast asserted today more than 2,000 government troops had been killed within the past few days in fighting around Villarreal, Espinosa and Mondragon.

### Robbins New Toronto Mayor

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) TORONTO, Dec. 7.—Election of Mayor W. D. Robbins as Toronto's 1937 mayor was conceded tonight by John B. Laidlaw, one of two candidates opposing him, after 412 of 852 polls showed Robbins had 31,026 votes, Laidlaw, 9,664 and Robert Harding, 1,615.

### Lloyd George To Sail For Home

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 7.—David Lloyd George will cut short his two-months West Indies holiday because of the constitutional crisis in England, and sail for home tomorrow aboard the liner Carare, it was learned here tonight.

The British war-time Premier arrived here Nov. 30 after visiting Cristobal, Panama. Since development of the cabinet-King crisis in England, he has asked for all despatches relating to it but steadfastly refused comment. He intended remaining in the West Indies until the latter part of January.

### DANGEROUS SITUATION IN SPAIN ARISES

Eden Urges International Action to Check Foreign Volunteers in Civil War.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—(CP)—Foreign Secretary Eden today reiterated Great Britain was strongly opposed to foreign volunteering in the Spanish civil war and urged international action to check the increasing numbers of Fascist and anti-Fascist fighters who are streaming into Spain.

He told the House of Commons that 5,000 Germans have departed at Cadix, Spanish insurgent port, and that large numbers of Italians are serving with the Fascists in Mallorca, chief Balearic Island.

Large Russian and other foreign contingents have joined the Spanish Government forces, Eden said, indicating a dangerous international situation involving Fascists and anti-Fascists of many nationalities was developing on Spanish soil.

Meanwhile a subcommittee of the 27-nation "hands off Spain" body was putting into shape a British-backed plan to curb foreign volunteers. The subcommittee's work was expected to be finished tonight and submitted to the main committee at its next meeting.

### Is Appointed To Commission Govt.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—(CP Cable)—Announcement was made tonight that the King had approved the appointment of Sir Wilfred Wentworth Woods to be a member of the Commission on Government of Thomas Lodge, whose term of office expires in February.

Sir Wilfred for 32 years was in the British Colonial service. He was in charge of the finances of Ceylon from 1922 till 1934 when he retired as financial secretary, a post, it was announced, "which he filled with marked success in a period of constitutional change."

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 7.—Re-appointment of J. C. Puddister and W. R. Howley, K. C., a Newfoundland's representatives on the commission governing the island, was announced here tonight.

### DISASTER SWEEPS LUZON ISLAND VALLEY

### Meagre Reports Tell of Major Catastrophe in Cagayan Valley.

MANILA, Dec. 8.—(Tuesday)—Philippine army authorities reported today that "thousands of persons were carried away" in a flood which swept the rich Cagayan River valley in northern Luzon Island.

Manilans said the official army report, which stated that "thousands of persons were missing", indicated a catastrophe overshadowing any in the history of the Islands.

Reports from the military commander of Isabela Province, in northwest Luzon, said "the greatest flood in the history" of the Islands, hit the valley Dec. 4 at four o'clock in the morning.

### IS PLEASED WITH CLUB ACTIVITIES

### District Governor George Spencer Meets Rotary Assembly.

Last evening members of the Charlottetown Rotary Club had the pleasure of meeting their district Governor, George Spencer of Moncton, when he attended a Club Assembly in the Canadian National Hotel.

Reports on the activities of the club were given by the chairmen of the various committees, and the advice of the Governor asked on several points of procedure. The Governor expressed his pleasure at the manner in which the club has carried on its work.

### Flying Boat Is Reported Missing

DAKAR, Senegal, Dec. 7.—The flying boat City of Buenos Aires, with the noted aviator Jean Mermoz and a crew of four aboard, was reported missing tonight over the South Atlantic on a mail flight to Natal, Brazil.

### Pope Pius Improved, Eager To Return To Daily Routine

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 7.—(AP)—The ailing Pope Pius was somewhat improved tonight and left over some of the duties of his Church until tomorrow, "when I am up again," despite the urging of physicians that he remain in bed.

Suffering a light form of paralysis of the legs, which first became apparent Saturday, high blood pressure, hardening of the arteries, asthma and uric acid poisoning, the Pontiff was irked by his confinement and eager to return to his regular daily routine.

### Decision Awaits Statement Made By Premier Baldwin Expressing Desire To Give His Majesty "Fullest Opportunity" Of Weighing His Decision.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—(CP)—A statement offering "to withdraw forthwith from a situation that has been rendered both unhappy and untenable" was issued by Mrs. Wallis Simpson tonight after Prime Minister Baldwin had declared in the House of Commons that the Government was giving the King "the fullest opportunity of weighing the decision."

A definite easing of the situation became apparent during the day as public sentiment toward allowing the King as much time as he wishes to think the matter over became increasingly widespread. Fort Belvedere, the country estate near Windsor at which His Majesty remained throughout the day, was quieter than at any time during the past six days.

At eight p.m. tonight a score or more journalists were called to the salon of the Hotel Majestic, on the seafloor at the fashionable Riviera resort, where Lord Brownlow, gentleman-in-waiting to the King, who accompanied Mrs. Simpson on her journey from England, was waiting. Clearing his throat and adjusting a pair of horn-rimmed spectacles, he announced:

Official Statement  
The following is an official statement by Mrs. Simpson:  
"Mrs. Simpson, throughout the last few weeks, has invariably wished to avoid any action or proposal which would hurt or damage His Majesty or the Throne. Today her attitude is unchanged, and she is willing, if such action would solve the problem, to withdraw forthwith from a situation that has been rendered both unhappy and untenable."

Lord Brownlow said the statement had been signed by Mrs. Simpson, and took the opportunity to add: "Mrs. Simpson has given no interview of any kind nor any statements to the press whatsoever other than that I have just made on her behalf."

A few hours earlier Prime Minister Baldwin had publicly uttered Mrs. Simpson's name for the first time in telling the House it was some weeks ago that the King first informed me of his intention to marry Mrs. Simpson whenever she should be free."

Came As Surprise  
The statement at Cannes came as a complete surprise to court circles.

Reuters News Agency said those close to the King at Fort Belvedere did not know of it until press dispatches from the Riviera were read to them. Those whose position would enable them to know, the Agency said, declared the announcement was made by Mrs. Simpson purely on her own initiative and of her own volition.

The statement was not regarded as having ended the crisis. It was felt in court circles that only action by the King himself could end the present situation and that all other steps, however important, could have only limited effect.

In this connection significance was attached to the phrase in Mrs. Simpson's statement reading "if such action could solve the problem."

However, the statement created a more hopeful atmosphere in part.

FORECAST  
Maritime Provinces: Decreasing northwest and west wind; partly cloudy and cold; probably scattered snowflurries.  
High tide this morning at 6.15 and this evening at 6.19.  
Sun sets this afternoon at 4.18 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.26.  
New moon Sunday, Dec. 13, 7.25 p. m.  
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.  
THE CAR FERRY  
Leaves Borden 9.45 a. m. 1 p. m.  
Leaves Tormentine 11 a. m. 2.55 p. m.  
Daily except Sunday.  
No train connection last trip.

### GESTURE MEETS APPROVAL

### Press Lauds Statement by Mrs. Simpson.

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LONDON, Dec. 8.—(Tuesday)—Mrs. Wallis Simpson has "earned the Empire's gratitude" for the statement in Cannes that she is ready to give up King Edward, the Glasgow Bulletin asserted today.

"Mrs. Simpson made her great gesture. She has earned the Empire's gratitude and it now remains for the King to complete the act of renunciation," the bulletin said. "Certain it is that nothing short"

### 15 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

SEE THAT YOUR HARNES IS 'O.K.' IF YOU HITCH YOUR WAGON TO A STAR!

(Canadian Press)  
TORONTO, Dec. 7.—Minimum and maximum temperatures:  
Dawson 45B 36B  
Vegoria 44 48  
Regina 22B 6B  
Edmonton 10B 6  
Winnipeg 10B 6B  
Toronto 16 24  
Ottawa 2 16  
Montreal 6 24  
Quebec 2 32  
St. John 28 48  
Halifax 34 50  
Charlottetown 30 48