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"THE BLIND SHALL SEE" PERFECTLY IF THESE EXPERIMENTS DEVELOP

LONDON, Dec. 15.—"The blind shall see." Theorist Koppanyi, a student scarcely past 20, is in a fair way of making the prophecy come true. This youth, whose smooth, almost effeminate face is given an ascetic touch by big eye-glasses, has again astonished medical authorities in Vienna by his new successes in transplanting eyes from animals to other creatures which have first been made blind.

In an interview Koppanyi declared that great eye specialists would at first not believe their own eyes when they saw what he had accomplished.

Koppanyi first began his experiments with fish, going upwards in the scale of animals. He then showed a number of rats with transplanted eyes. Asked concerning application of his operation to humans, Koppanyi said:

"It opens wonderful vistas for the blind. But as yet it is only a hope."

He laid emphasis on the "hope," saying that his experiments had not yet extended that far.

PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE GIVES ACCOUNT OF HIS STEWARDSHIP

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Contrasting strikingly with Britain's royal pomp and splendour displayed in the House of Lords at noon yesterday the scene in the House of Commons a few hours later when with out ceremony, but with evident consciousness of power and influence, the members heard the Prime Minister render an account of his stewardship and the Government's part in the Irish settlement.

For an hour and three quarters Premier Lloyd George spoke to crowded benches and jammed galleries. The only touch of color in the ancient legislative chamber was the brilliant red coated uniform of Colonel Sir Samuel Hoare who moved the reply to the speech from the throne. It is not an oration like October 31st when the Premier, having been challenged, presented the country with alternatives of war or negotiation with Ireland and won the day by a division overwhelmingly favoring the Government's policy. His role today was simply of narrating problems faced by the delegations with a description of the way they were handled.

Early in his address he silenced those inclined to interrupt him. When an Ulster member interrogated him on "Alliance" Premier Lloyd George having said the status of Ireland was that of free state with allegiance to the King he turned and faced the Ulsterite and declared emphatically "yes, allegiance to the King and swearing allegiance to the King," he then asked the members to refrain from interruptions as his task of exposition was difficult and one which he disliked. The Prime Minister was deeply impressive as he came near the end, when in slow tones and in solemn manner he drew a picture of the British Imperial War Cabinet at which a vacant chair was waiting for Ireland and looked to the future when Britain's fears would be Ireland's anxieties and Britain's victory Ireland's joy.

King George read his speech slowly and distinctly. It was one of the shortest speeches from the throne on record.

TEXT OF U. S. - JAPAN TREATY MADE PUBLIC

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The text of the treaty between the United States and Japan covering the agreement as to the Status of the Island of Yap, was made public yesterday, by the State Department. Provision in regard to the United States property and the cable facilities were drawn in the broadest terms. It declares that the United States shall have free access to the Island for the purposes of cable communication and that in the future the rights of portation shall never be exercised anything that relates to the Yap against United States property.

BRANTFORD JEWELER SHOT TWICE BY BANDIT LEAVING HIS HOME

BRANTFORD, Ont., Dec. 15.—George L. Cartwright, Dalhousie Street Jeweler, was held up by a lone bandit near his home in Echo Place, on Saturday night and received two shots, one in the shoulder and one in the left groin. The bandit, a youth about 25 years of age, attempted to fire seven shots in all, but the cartridges missed in five attempts. Mr. Cartwright called for help, and his wife came to the scene with a light, which frightened the bandit away without his getting any loot. Mr. Cartwright was carrying less than two dollars in change, but he had in his pocket five thousand dollars' worth of uncut diamonds.

The police were at once notified and made an arrest on Saturday night and another on Sunday morning, but the two suspects are held on a vagrancy charge, pending further investigation, and nothing as to their identity was available today. Mr. Cartwright is doing fairly well. One bullet was extracted, but that in the groin will not be taken out until Wednesday. The attempted hold-up and shooting took place on the Echo Place Road, just after Mr. Cartwright had left the Echo Place car of the Brantford and Hamilton Radial.

WASHINGTON DENIES RUMOR

WASHINGTON, DEC. 15.—A very strong denial of the stories which have been printed here to the effect that the British policy in regard to the present point in discussion of its relation to the naval ratio was based very largely upon self-interest was issued today by a representative of the Empire delegation. The point which the "big three" are now engaged in threshing out relates to Japan's demand for retention of Mutsu, her latest battleship, as well as a new battle cruiser. In order to maintain the Hughes ratio and make an equitable arrangement all round, it is Japan's point were accorded to the United States and British lists would have to be revised. Both these nations would be allowed two new ships in place of two of the older vessels at the bottom of lists of those which are to be scrapped. This would involve an immediate building programme on the part of Great Britain.

MARSHAL SENDS HIS THANKS

MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—Marcel de Verneuil, French Consul General of this city received a telegram from Marshal Foch dated from New York to the following effect: "Please state I was very much touched by my reception in Canada. I shall retain a faithful remembrance of it and beg you to convey again my thanks to the Canadian authorities and all those who received me."

Signed Foch.

Uphold Hapsburgs And Hohenzollerns

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Pleas for former Emperors of Germany and Austria-Hungary were made in the House of Lords recently when Lord Newton, raising the question of the exclusion of the Hapsburg dynasty from the Hungarian throne, said that the Hungarian people evidently desired to have a king.

"Why," he asked, "should the Hapsburgs be excluded any more than any other dynasties that were still allowed to rule? How could the attitude of the great powers be reconciled with the principle of self-determination. It was, he added, a gross and intolerable interference with the government of a free nation."

Lord Oranmore and Browne regretted that Britain had agreed to act as jailer for the ex-Emperor Charles, of Austria-Hungary, and had become responsible for sending him to a new St. Helena.

Lord Phillimore, an eminent lawyer, asked what authority the people of Hungary who should be their king or not, or whether they should have a king at all. He protested against any interference in Hungary's internal affairs.

He thought it was a mistake to have dethroned the Hohenzollerns, "because," he said, "with a chastened Emperor on the throne, we would have had a more steady Germany, and have stood a much better chance of getting our money back."

The Earl of Crawford, replying for the Government, said that he could not discuss the question of the restoration of dynasties.

HEAVY DAMAGES FROM FLOODS

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 15.—Western Washington is counting its damages today after four days of floods which resulted in the loss of thirteen lives which rendered hundreds temporarily homeless and washed out bridges and roads and disorganized traffic and cut wire communications in many parts of the state. The high waters are receding rapidly and little further trouble is expected according to reports reaching Seattle. Property loss is estimated at half a million dollars. Transcontinental main line traffic which was virtually halted since Saturday was resumed today by railroads.

LUMBERMAN MEETS DEATH

FREDERICTON, Dec. 15.—Word has been received here that Hiram Underhill Blackwell was the victim of a fatal accident at Maple Drive while engaged in cutting lumber. He died about ten minutes after being hit by the limb of a falling tree. He was about 33 years of age and is survived by a widow and two small children.

Sir Lomer Gouin Meets Mr. King

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—The name Sir Lomer Gouin, former Premier of Quebec, member elect for the constituency of Laurier-Outremont was added to the list of those new members in parliament having conversations with Mr. King, Premier-elect last evening. Sir Lomer arrived in Montreal at 7:30 in company with Rodolphe Lemieux and met Mr. King at dinner and afterwards to the leader's office in the Parliament buildings. Several other prominent members elect also visited Mr. King during the afternoon, Messrs. Beland, Marcell, Low (South Renfrew) Euler, (North Waterloo) and others.

Curley Elected Mayor Of Boston

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Former Mayor James M. Curley was elected Mayor of Boston Tuesday by a plurality of 2,315 votes over John R. Murphy, former Fire Commissioner, in one of the closest mayoralty contests in the history of the city. The other two candidates ran far behind. The vote was: Curley, 73,861; Murphy, 71,554; Charles S. Baxter, 4,243; Charles S. O'Connor, 10,812.

The lead alternated between Curley and Murphy as the votes were counted and it was not until the last precincts were heard from that the outcome was certain. When returns from 250 precincts had been tallied, Murphy was slightly ahead. The vote of Curley's home ward turned out in large numbers in spite of a desultory snowstorm. It was their first opportunity to vote for Mayor in this city.

The issue, so far as there was any definite issue in this year's campaign, was Curley's record as Mayor. Murphy was endorsed by the Good Government Association, a permanent organization which recommends a list of candidates at each election. In his campaign speeches he attacked what he called "Curleyism" and asserted that the former Mayor when in office had not properly looked after the city's interests. Curley countered with accusations that the Good Government Association was headed by a clique seeking to gain control of the city and that among its leaders were some men who were not citizens of Boston.

All of the candidates, except Baxter were Democrats, the ballot carrying no party designations.

MAN ASSAULTED FIVE MILLION DOLLAR FIRE IN RESTAURANT

MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—Lawrence Rochester aged 20 of this city was attacked in the washroom of Child's restaurant last evening by an assailant with an axe and received two severe wounds on the head and one on his arm. His assailant was promptly apprehended by two of the diners in the establishment and gave the name of Gregory Kerr, waiter of Toronto. When turned over to the police authorities Kerr stated that he "had to do some thing" adding that he had no money, that his wife had nothing to eat, and that he had been out of work for six months. The charge assault and attempt to rob will be laid against him.

Canada Enjoyed Its Best House Building Year

Number of New Buildings Erected
14,000, Compared to 11,000
Last Year

Six Hundred Arrested In India During Recent Days

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The arrests throughout India in recent days have reached a total of 600, accord ing to official advices received here. The greatest number of persons were taken into custody in Calcutta, where what is termed the "hooligan" element is becoming more evident in the volunteer societies in view of the coming visit of the Prince of Wales. The Government in India has adopted stern measures for handling agitators by enforcing two repressive acts, the Criminal act of 1908 and the Prevention of seditious meetings act of 1911, under which the membership of societies which have been declared unlawful are subject to arrest.

Defective Piers Found In St. Paul's Cathedral

LONDON, Dec. 13.—St. Paul's Cathedral has during the past eight months, been saved from a catastrophe.

Two of the massive piers in the south transept were found in a defective condition, and what appeared solid work was discovered to contain inferior material. This caused grave defects, and work had to be commenced immediately.

Canon Alexander, treasurer of the cathedral, informed a representative that the restoration of the piers was now almost completed. The last of the steel girders was fixed within the past few days.

These girders, to a weight of approximately 10 tons, have been constructed to carry the span of the arch.

The question of the other six piers is to be referred to a commission, consisting principally of engineers, who will report on the matter and also as to the condition of the fabric generally.

Asked when he thought the whole of the cathedral would be in a satisfactory state, Canon Alexander replied: "Unless we can push forward more rapidly, I do not expect that it will be finished until the middle of the century."

Approximately £70,000 has been raised in answer to the appeal first issued in 1914. Last year the expenditure reached £20,000.

MR. CRERAR DENIES RUMOR

WINNIPEG, Dec. 15.—Mr. Crerar, Progressive leader, declined today to make any comment whatever on the report that he would enter the Government which will be formed by Mr. King. It is believed his political associates will be surprised by such development.

Did Delegation Exceed Its Powers

DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—Question of ratification or rejection of agreement arrived at in London between representatives of the British Government and plenipotentiaries of the Dail Eireann to settle the discord which for centuries existed was debated yesterday at a public meeting of the Dail Eireann and later in two secret sessions. An other secret session is to be held today. At a public meeting Eamon De Valera and Arthur Griffith, Michael Collins and other Dail deputies expressed views as to whether the Irish delegation to London exceeded its powers in signing an agreement with the British cabinet for a settlement of the Irish problem.

Dealing with wages and other items affecting the building trades, the Secretary reported that, with falling prices and industrial difficulties, some of the local Joint Arbitration Boards had been warring the journeymen that a "world-wide depression was upon us, and that the continuance of the high wage was only a means to an end for our business. In a great many cities the wisdom of the men prompted a reduction, while in other cities there was a refusal and, we believe, this refusal was partially the cause of only 72 per cent of building mechanics being employed in fifty one cities that reported to us."

As to conditions in Canada, the Secretary says: "It is generally known that this is one of the best house building years Canada has ever known. The number of new buildings erected to date is 14,000 compared with 11,000 last year, and it is said that no industry has a brighter outlook in the Dominion than has building."

In various cities of the United States and Canada it had been suggested that a local Mason Contractors' Association should be formed. Since the last convention such associations had been formed in twelve United States cities. Among other cities soon to join are Ottawa and Winnipeg in Canada.

The convention opened in the morning with a civic welcome to the delegates. Mr. W. H. Hill, of St. Louis, Mo., replied on behalf of the association.

The United Kingdom is said to have more women workers in proportion to population than any other country.

RUSSIA WOULD WOO AMERICA

LONDON, Dec. 15.—That the United States is at present at the pinnacle of its world power and that all other nations must necessarily bow the knee to Washington, is the general tenor of a leading editorial in "Istvestia," the official organ of the Russian Soviet government. According to a despatch from Moscow today, this editorial reads:

"The chief world power today is America. There are no states or nations who are not economically and financially dependent upon America. America can permit herself the luxury of not entering any planned political combination. On the other hand, no power dares decline to participate in any combination dictated by America."

"The diplomacy of Soviet Russia must take this shifting of world powers into consideration and find a way that will lead to an understanding with America."

"France, in its relation to America is of no greater importance than that of Poland to France. In the question of the recognition and acknowledgment of Russian debts, France seeks America's support, and is only strong as long as America maintains her present attitude toward Russia."

"Attempts of Soviet Russia to approach America have so far failed. The attitude of America rests upon a misunderstanding of the present situation. Neither politically, or economically do our interests cross or conflict. Often we allow the same attitude and policy toward Japanese imperialism. Russia offers a better necessary field for its products and one which can lead to the greatest profits for America. We need American goods and foreign capital for developing our natural resources."

PACIFIC TREATY IS SIGNED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The four power Pacific Treaty was signed and sealed tonight. A signed copy of the treaty, which was drawn up by Mr. Root signed with a pen made from an eagle's quill, presented for the occasion by Robert Underwood Johnson, former ambassador to Italy. This pen will be placed in the museum of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences at Philadelphia. The treaty is in the form of a six page booklet written on white paper, about ten by twelve inches. Each page is divided into vertical columns with the English text in one column and the French text in the other. Red ribbons are interlaced down the sides.

D. D. MCKENZIE IN OTTAWA

SYDNEY, Dec. 15.—D. D. McKenzie, veteran member of Cape Breton North and Victoria left last night for Ottawa having been summoned to the Capital by Mr. King.

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