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RUHR DISTRICT NOW COMPLETELY ISOLATED FROM THE REST OF GERMANY

Railway Situation Rapidly Heading for a Complete Shut Down. German Operators Refuse to Work and are Arrested. Martial Law has been Proclaimed in Some Villages. District Occupied by Americans Handed Over to France. Clashes Occurred in Which French Soldiers and German Civilians Were Wounded.

(Special to The Guardian.) ESSEN, Jan. 28.—Railroad traffic in the old, as well as in the new occupied areas is headed toward a complete shutdown. In Duisburg and Dortmund no trains are moving. In Aix-la-Chapelle, railway men refuse to move troops and trains. The French and Belgians, however, are planning to use their own trainmen and are bringing them in large numbers as far as Duisburg. As soon as German railroaders refuse to obey an order from the occupying authorities they are sent out of the occupied territory.

COLOGNE, Jan. 28.—At 4.50 this afternoon wires were cut and the Ruhr was completely isolated from Cologne. COBLENZ, Jan. 28.—The Coblenz area of occupied Germany held by United States troops since the establishment of the Allied Watch on the Rhine was turned over to the French at noon today. German women and children were wounded at Treves today when French troops used sabres in dispersing a demonstration according to reports reaching Berlin.

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—Popular animosity against French and Belgian consular and other officials, reported in Bavaria has reached a pitch that they fear for the lives of themselves and their families. The French consul general in Berlin has received a telegram from the consul at Nuremberg asking what steps should be taken toward the evacuation of the wives and families of the French as a massacre is possible in the present temper of the populace. The same conditions prevail in Munich, Augsburg and a lesser degree in other provincial cities.

DUSSELDORF, Jan. 28.—General Dougenot in a proclamation last night warned Germans against further disorders as the French would shoot without warning. He advised German police to get behind the troops in case of trouble. The chief of police at Essen replied he would try to handle any situation but his police never would take refuge behind French bayonets.

DUSSELDORF, Jan. 28.—A further strengthening of German resistance was generally anticipated by the French today as an aftermath of yesterday's meeting of Ruhr peace chiefs, burgomasters and state officials at which it was said measures for parrying the occupation were discussed. One immediate result of the conference was the arrest of its chairman Dr. Gruetzer, President of the province of Rhenish Prussia. Dr. Gruetzer was later released after Gen. Simon had been taken into custody if he remained obdurate. The French are understood to be ready for any developments and

Italy Finally Consents to Naval Disarmament (Special to The Guardian.) ROME, Jan. 28.—Italy took the first step in ratifying the Washington Disarmament pact. Friday when the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies reported favorably on the conventions covering limitations on naval armaments and violations of rules of warfare on both land and sea. Italy's tardiness in taking action on the treaties that were agreed upon at the Washington Arms party had caused much uneasiness in the United States. Great Britain and Japan, the nations which have already sanctioned the agreements. The Foreign Relations Commission of the French Chamber of Deputies has reported favorably on some of the treaties, but the Chamber has as yet taken no action.

Sir Robert Horne to Visit Ottawa (Special to The Guardian.) OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 28.—Sir Robert Horne, Chancellor of the Exchequer in the late Lloyd George government will pay a flying visit to Ottawa next week and will attend the opening of parliament. Sir Robert will arrive in Ottawa from Montreal where he now is on Wednesday about noon.

Believes Debt Funding Proposal Satisfactory to Great Britain

(Special to The Guardian.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—President Harding is satisfied that Congress will approve the debt refunding proposition carried back to London by the British Commission with confidence that an agreement between the two nations will be reached.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—It has been revealed today that the United States Debt Funding Commission in its recent negotiations with the British delegation of a funding arrangement for Great Britain's debt to the United States has suggested an interest rate of 3 per cent for the first ten years and 3 1/2 per cent after which provisions for extinguishing the entire debt in sixty-two years.

39 Persons Killed In Railway Wreck

(Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, Jan. 28.—Thirty-nine persons are reported killed in a railway accident in northern Ceylon says a Central News despatch from Colombo this evening. Many others were injured.

SEES POSSIBILITIES FOR LARGER PACKING HOUSE

Ottawa Bacon Specialist Presents Some Ideas to Island Swine Raisers. The farmer is getting at the present time as high a price as the market will stand for hogs was the opinion expressed by Mr. L. C. McQuat, Dominion bacon specialist of the Live Stock Department. Ottawa at the organization meeting of the P. E. I. Swine Raisers Association held in the city Friday afternoon. Mr. McQuat expressed this opinion in the course of a discussion following his address on Canada's Hog Marketing problems which appeared in full in Saturday's Guardian.

8 Ku Klux Klan Arrested in Brooklyn

(Special to The Guardian.) NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Mayor Harry Dale today reported his statement that there is no room for the Ku Klux Klan in Brooklyn, following the arrest of eight men as they were leaving a K. K. K. meeting held in a traffic court room.

To Spend \$9,000,000 on Canadian Roads

(Special to The Guardian.) OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—Upwards of nine million dollars comprising revenue collected by the different provinces will be devoted to construction and maintenance of highways during the fiscal year 1923 according to A. W. Campbell, Chief Commissioner of Highways.

Chinese Official Was Assassinated

(Special to The Guardian.) SHANGHAI, Jan. 28.—Despatches describing an outbreak at Canton in which Wei Pang Ping formerly in the head of the Canton constabulary was assassinated by a soldier of the Kietsei forces today caused Mr. Sat Yat Sen to cancel his ill reserved departure for the southern capital.

ARMAND LAVERGNE WILL OPPOSE PREMIER TASCHEREAU

Montmorency County Will be hot Spot During Quebec Election. Lavergne to Speak at Only two Meetings During Campaign. (Special to The Guardian.) MONTREAL, Jan. 28.—Montmorency County flashed before the province as the "hot spot" of the provincial elections as Armand Lavergne, K. C., announced that he will fight the Hon. L. A. Taschereau, Premier Minister, as an opposition candidate. Lavergne was at one time chief leader of Henry Bourassa the National leader, and defender of John H. Roberts, editor of the Axe. He has accepted the candidature on one condition, that he be not required to address more than two meetings in the county during the campaign, because his physical condition would not permit extensive speaking in winter weather. Mr. Lavergne will start Monday at Chaudiere Richer, on the occasion of nominations, and on Sunday week, eve of the election on the Isle of Orleans, probably at St. Pierre.

THE WORLD'S LATEST NEWS SUMMARIZED IN BRIEF

(BY OUR OWN WIRELESS.) POLICE FAIL TO LOCATE STORE MANAGER CHARGED WITH 250,000 THEFT. FORMER GERMAN EMPEROR CELEBRATES 64TH BIRTHDAY. U. S. ADVOCATES OPEN DOOR POLICY FOR TURKEY. RAILWAY TRAFFIC CEASES IN RUHR. FRANCE WILL CUT OFF GERMANY FROM COAL.

LAUSANNE, Jan. 28.—Policy of closed door in Turkey as advocated by U. S. at Near Eastern conference ratified by Allies. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 28.—Oxford University of England will send a team to two elite events at annual meet here in April, officials announce.

CANNES, France, Jan. 28.—Miss Elizabeth Ryan, California, defeats Mrs. O'Neill, Great Britain by 6060 in finals of Womens' Tourney here. WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Attorney General Daugherty ordered to bed for rest by physicians as complicated by congestion of the lungs. He was 52 years old and had high blood pressure. His condition is not considered serious, however.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Represents question again came to front in United States Senate Saturday. Lively debate in which France's invasion of Ruhr was attacked and defended. ANNAPOLIS, Jan. 28.—Navy Academy basketball team defeated Georgetown University of Washington, 37 to 33 yesterday in fast played game. Georgetown led at half time 18 to 15.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Secretary Hoover declines with regret invitation of government of Ecuador to visit that country after he attends Pan-American conference at Santiago, Chile. WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—A minimum peace time strength of 250,000 men for national guard recommended in report of special committee of general staff and approved by Secretary of War Weeks. Present strength is 435,000.

DOORN, Jan. 28.—Former German Emperor William celebrates 64th birthday yesterday with grand reception at his chateau. Reports former Kaiser in low spirits. wife also said to have complained of loneliness here. TAMPOCO, Jan. 28.—Ten bodies recovered from wreckage of Mexican Eagle Oil Company's tank, steamer San Leonardo, which burned after explosion at dock Thursday night, twelve of crew all Mexicans missing.

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 28.—Louis Firpo heavyweight boxer will receive 10,000 dollars for his coming fight with Bill Brennan and 10,000,000 dollars for a match with Jack Dempsey if he defeats Brennan. Firpo tells friends he sails for New York Feb. 1. NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Police unable to find clue to whereabouts of Mortimer E. Lautman, manager of the Kaufman Department store of Pittsburg, who disappeared last Thursday after cashing check for 250,000 dollars. WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Mergers of Bethlehem, Lackawanna and Medvale Steel Corporation de-

SENATORS AND MEMBERS NOW FLOCK INTO OTTAWA

Arrivals are Chiefly From Extreme Points. Quebec Members not Expected Until After Election. Rearrangement of Seats Necessary on Account of Six New Members Having to be Provided for. (Special to The Guardian.) OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—At the week end the capital present sights and scenes peculiar to the opening of parliament. Senators and members are arriving by almost every train and as usually happens, those from the further most points are coming first. The arrivals so far are from the west and the lower provinces. The Ontario and Quebec contingents will come only next week, and of the latter a full attendance is not expected till after the provincial elections on February 5th. Chief whips, Kyte of the Liberals and Binette

and Johnston of the Progressives are here and Mr. Boyse of the Conservatives will arrive Monday. There is some new seating to be done. Six new members have to be provided for and this will call for much more shifting than the number itself indicates. A new member replacing an old one does not take his seat but goes back and some one else moves forward. The front seats are qualified for on the basis of seniority. There is to be a hole in the wall of the Progressive section owing to the deserters, Messrs Hammill and Binette.

BLOCKADE CONTINUES ON MANY PARTS OF THE LINE

Heavy Ice and Snow Between Emerald and Borden Still Holding up Traffic. Other Parts Badly Blocked. Reports of the track conditions den. They left Charlottetown at 8:30 p.m. last night and are expected to reach Borden today. The train from Charlottetown is now working west between Fredericton and Elliott's with very heavy snow ahead. Borden is from 3 to 15 feet deep in the cuttings. The probabilities are that it will take until sometime today to reach Emerald. It was impossible to give any definite time last night. Teams left Summerside for Borden Sunday morning and returned to Summerside in the evening with mails.

Lakes Commission to Meet Tuesday For Organization (Special to The Guardian.) OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 28.—The commission which will inquire into the question of freight rates on the Great Lakes will meet here next Tuesday for organization. Plans for the inquiry will be outlined then. It is not yet certain whether the investigation will begin in Montreal or Winnipeg but probably the former.

Earthquake Registered at Chicago, Illinois (Special to The Guardian.) CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 28.—At earthquake of sharp intensity was registered on the seismograph of the United States weather bureau here today. The shocks started at 2:07 a.m. and lasted until 3 p.m. Weather bureau forecasters estimated the quake centre as approximately 1,155 miles south west of Chicago. Pasadena, Calif., Jan. 28.—A slight tremor was felt in the south eastern part of this city about 1:10 last night. No damage had been reported to the police.

The Weather, Etc BE CONTENT WITH YOUR OWN LITTLE SONG - WHY TRY TO BE A WHOLE MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA - TORONTO, Jan. 29.—Maritime moderate north west winds thin and somewhat milder. High tide this morning at 8:30 and tonight at 7:56. Sun sets this afternoon at 5:01 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:26. Full moon Thursday Feb. 1st 11:53 a.m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Greek Royalty to Visit Montreal (Special to The Guardian.) MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 28.—Prince and Princess Andrew of Greece, and Prince Christopher, all members of the Greek royal family will arrive in Montreal Saturday evening.

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