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POINCARÉ GOV'T THREATENED BY H. C. L. PROBLEM

Chief Issue at Coming Election Will Be Increased Living Costs (United Press) NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—"La Vie Chère", which is the French name for the high cost of living, is threatening the downfall of the Poincaré ministry far more than the failure of France to get an adequate indemnity from Germany. The chief issue of the coming French general election in the spring will not be the Rhine, but the increase of "vin ordinaire" from thirty centimes per litre (1 1/2 pints) to forty centimes, and the increase of "pot au feu" from three francs to twelve francs. In American values, there is no difference in these prices because of the fall in the franc.

LABOR GOV'T. PREPARING TO MEET PARLIAMENT

Premier to Visit Paris Shortly to Discuss Reparations. (Canadian Press) LONDON, Feb. 6.—The new government is energetically working to be in readiness to meet parliament next week. Cabinet meetings are held almost daily and a number of committees are studying the different problems. Housing has been a constant source of difficulty since the war, and success in solving this problem will probably do more to reconcile the country to the new administration than success in any other direction. An important conference will be held tomorrow to discuss the question in all its bearings. It will be attended by the Ministers of Health and Labour and representatives of both employers and trades union connected with the building industry. The government's aim is to induce the trades unions to allow some relaxation of the strict trade union rules or "diluting" as it is called in order to provide more skilled labor to the building trade.



NEW CABINET MINISTER Hon. Arthur Gardin, new Minister of Marine and Fisheries, appointed to replace Hon. Ernest Lapointe to fill the post left vacant by Sir Lomer Gouin.

In return for such relaxation the trades unions consent that the government should guarantee continuation of its housing policy over a period of fifteen to twenty years, that is, guarantee to the trades consulting work. This is a difficulty requiring to be thrashed out.

Another difficulty to be overcome is the hindrances placed in the way by rings or combines restricting supplies of building materials, and it is said that the government is ready to fight these rings. It is understood that the financing schemes do not present great difficulties.

With regard to industrial affairs, it is reported that Premier MacDonald contemplates a visit to Paris in May, after the French elections, which it is hoped may bring together a chamber better disposed to meet the British views on the reparations question.

An interview with Ramsay MacDonald will appear tomorrow in the Manchester daily dispatch, in which the prime minister declares that the recognition of Russia is "absolute." With regard to the term "the June recognition" affairs, MacDonald says he objects to language which cannot be understood.

(Continued From Page 3) Ambassador and Premier Confer (Canadian Press) LONDON, Feb. 6.—Sir Esme Howard, the new British Ambassador to the United States, will sail on the Olympic February 20 to take up his post.

After a fifteen minute chat with Premier MacDonald, the Ambassador said that no one could avoid falling under his great charm or fail to be impressed by his earnestness, sincerity and vivid personality.

Germany Aids Committee of Experts (Canadian Press) BERLIN, Feb. 6.—Rumors of friction or diverging opinions between the committees of experts from the German official quarters are categorically denied in an official statement issued by the committee presided over by Reginald McKenna to the effect that experts are receiving every assistance both from the government and banks.

Speaking for the United States delegation said: "Every government department or official whose cooperation is needed by us in connection with our study of the German budget and currency has rendered prompt and efficient aid."

Thieves Make Big Haul in Montreal (Canadian Press) MONTREAL, Feb. 6.—Furs, jewelry and other valuables worth nearly \$4,000 were stolen by thieves using skeleton keys who entered two homes in the north end of the city over the week-end.

Body of Youth Found in Pond (Canadian Press) WINDSOR, N. S., Feb. 6.—The body of Edward Hoffen, an 18-year-old boy, was found today in the town pond at Falmouth. Hoffen, who was employed with his brother in a Windsor bake shop, was in a Windsor lake when he was in the habit of spending his Sundays with friends at Daykene farm, at Mount Denison.

Bandits Make Get-away With Jewels Worth \$35,000 (Canadian Press) NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Five armed bandits today held up the jewelry store of William Schneiderman in the Bronx and escaped in an automobile with three trays of diamonds and other gems valued at thirty-five thousand dollars.

SHORT COURSES U. S. EX. PRES. APPRECIATED LAID TO REST

Instruction in Problems of Grading and Marketing Most Important (Canadian Press) WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Without pomp yet with the highest honors in the power of a nation to bestow upon a private citizen the body of Woodrow Wilson war time president of United States was laid to rest today in the quiet little Bethlehem chapel of the cathedral of St. Peter and Paul. Sixty of the closest friends of the former president attended the brief and simple service at the street home and some four hundred found places in the cathedral, while the Episcopal service for the dead was conducted.

The private services at the home consisted simply of the reading of the 23rd psalm, a passage from a devotional book and recitation of a prayer.

Twenty carriages composed the funeral cortege which moved slowly through the thinly populated suburban section of the capital. The entire route was however flanked by dense masses of people who in silent tribute to the man who had led the United States through the Great War.

The actual entombment was witnessed only by the immediate members of the family. The president, members of the cabinet, generals, admirals and diplomats left the chapel with the pronouncement of benediction. After they left the casket was lifted to its place in the vault where the body will remain until a fitting memorial will have been built to mark the last resting place.

British Conservatives To Be Official Opposition (Canadian Press) LONDON, Feb. 6.—The speaker of the House of Commons J. H. Whitley rules that Conservatives in the house will be recognized as the official opposition and will occupy the seats formerly occupied by the Labor representatives. Labor members will sit on the government side of the house but below gangway or cross passage half way down giving access to back benches.

Fate of Ambassadors' Council Is Uncertain (British United Press) LONDON, Feb. 6.—It is believed in many quarters that the fate of the Council of the Ambassadors is trembling in the balance.

Lord Crewe, the British Ambassador to Paris, has returned to London to confer with the Premier. Mr. MacDonald's past utterances indicate that he regards the Council of Ambassadors as having outlived its usefulness as a means of solving European disputes, believing it to be lacking in both vision and courage. Unless Lord Crewe is able to convert him, it is believed that the Premier will drop the Council and seek a more radical method of pooling European intelligence and feeling upon such problems as the Ruhr and reparations.

Rev. Dr. Fosdick Now Vindicated (Canadian Press) NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The Presbytery of New York today accepted by a vote of 111 to 28 a committee report vindicating the teachings of the Rev. Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, a Baptist minister, who has been charged with heretical utterances while occupying the First Presbyterian pulpit.

AMUR - It is reported that the death of Lenin has caused the white inhabitants of this Siberian province to revolt against the soviet Russian government and to claim a free state. The revolutionary movement is said to be extending to other communities in the vicinity.

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For Water Commissioners—J. A. Webster, L. B. Miller, H. C. Gray, W. H. Connor, Peter McQuaid. For Councilors—Ward One—Patrick Dennis, Bruce Taylor. Ward Two—William Moran. Ward Three—R. B. Rattray. Ward Four—Dr. I. J. Yeo, F. P. Hennessey, E. A. Foster. Ward Five—T. W. L. Prowse, G. W. MacLeod, W. A. Stewart, Dr. Blanchard.

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SQUIRES SPENT WHOLE DAY ON WITNESS STAND

Ex-Premier Subjected to Most Exhaustive Cross-Examination (Canadian Press) ST. JOHN, Nfld., Feb. 6.—Ex-Premier Squires spent the whole of today on the stand under cross-examination by Attorney-General Warren, and when adjournment was taken at five o'clock this afternoon the crown was not through with the witness. For the most part Mr. Warren today seemed to be devoting his efforts towards testing out the stories told on the stand by J. J. Miller and his sister, Mrs. Hansant, and by John T. Menzies, in respect to alleged negotiations as intermediaries for Sir Richard Squires and the steel companies.

Sir Richard told the commissioner that after his accountant, Miss Miller, informed him that her brother had secured for him forty thousand dollars from the company funds in the matter except to pass over a voucher from the Daily Star for the full amount. That voucher was in cheque form, it was not negotiable. Miss Miller knew it was not negotiable, and if it were placed to the credit of the company's account that must have been for purposes of squaring accounts at the end of the month. No demand had been made on him or on the Star by the company for repayment of the amount. Since he obtained definite knowledge of this transaction he had always regarded this sum as representing a payment from the steel company as contribution to his campaign funds. As far as he knew no official superior to Miller had authorized the payment of the money to his account and he had not taken up the matter with any such official either in Newfoundland or during any of his frequent trips to Canada since that time.

In reply to a question from Commissioner Walker, Sir Richard stated that on occasions he had received campaign contributions from other corporations but never in such a large amount. Much of this afternoon's session was spent probing the circumstances under which the Star voucher for thirty thousand dollars was prepared and handed to Miller and in establishing the purpose for which it was made out. It is expected that the Attorney General will conclude his cross-examination tomorrow. Counsel on both sides will then sum up so that the investigation in respect to the liquor control charges and the allegations of payments from the steel company to Sir Richard Squires should be completely disposed of by the end of the present week.

ratification of the provisions in the nine-power treaty for a custom conference in Peking which will deal with the surtax question. The French government agrees to spend the remainder of the indemnity in China.

The question has been contentions for years and, while complicated in details, it has been the subject of a new endless discussion in the Far East. The settlement of the so-called gold franc question will be highly satisfactory to the foreign bankers because they hope to obtain France's

creditor is expected to be strengthened considerably as the result of a decision, now practically definitely arrived at, of the Peking government to resume payments of the Boxer indemnity to France in gold.

The rebels left the city in a manner said by United States consular officials they to have closely resembled a panic. Both insurrectionist military and naval craft which embarked to them were described as having departed in extreme haste for an unknown destination.

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