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## United States Is Responsible For Currency Trouble

### That is Opinion of British Bankers, who Ask That Country to Ease up and Help European Countries Along.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
PARIS, January 31.—That speculation is not responsible for the depreciation in the franc and the pound sterling toward the dollar is the consensus of opinion of British and French bankers obtained in financial circles in Paris. Hard work, economy, restrictions on imports, increased production and additional taxation are remedies unanimously prescribed by financial men here. The British bankers say however that willingly or unwillingly or merely by the fact of circumstances, the United States is responsible for depreciation of the currency on the European Continent.

"We had forecasted that the pound would go down to \$3.50 or perhaps to \$3," said Evelyn Toulmin, director of Lloyd's Bank Association, today. "We were partially prepared for the emergency but it would be a great advantage to us if the United States would ease up and help us along for a little while. Great Britain owes that country £800,000,000. We will pay that sooner perhaps than seems to be the general impression. France owes the United States £500,000,000.

"The present situation will obtain as long as Europeans are not brought to a realization that Europe must supply its own needs. Then only will the exchange problems in Europe be settled. "The period to be bridged may extend for four or perhaps five years. It is during that time that we shall need American assistance. Hard work and economy are the only remedies. There is no short cut."

LONDON, Jan. 31.—Thursday's further fall in the value of sterling exchange in New York has intensified anxiety over the exchange situation and focussed attention on the conference to be held between the Chancellor of the exchequer and the bankers early next week.

## GET AFTER ALL PROFITEERS

### Board of Commerce Gets Busy and Will Punish Wrong-Doers.

OTTAWA, Jan. 31.—The Board of Commerce has issued a set of regulations which have reference to the formation and operation of a commission as defined in the Combines and Fair Prices Act. The regulations constitute a "drag in which all existing and proposed combines, as defined by the Combines and Fair Prices Act are proposed to be drawn and as the board may have opportunity, they will be examined good and defensible selected from the bad and those seeming to call for dissolution or punishment proceeded against."

## TONIGHT WESTHOLME THEATRE

GEORGE WALSH  
"I'll Say So"  
Ford Educational  
British Gazette

## EMPRESS THEATRE

CARLYLE BLACKWELL and EVELYN GREELEY  
"Courage for Tom"  
12th Episode of "The IRON TEST" and "The CARTER CASE"

## DEFENSE OF REALM ACT IS ILLEGAL

### So Decides English Court of Appeal in Regard to Right of Ejectment.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
LONDON, January 31.—Three judges of the Appeal Court decided today that the provisions of the "Defence of the Realm Act," giving immunity to munition workers in certain areas against ejectment from their homes, constitutes a violation of the Magna Charta. The decision has created much interest among lawyers.

The lower court had held that the owner of a house occupied by munition workers was debarred from recovering his property by the Defence of the Realm Act regulations. The Court of Appeals in reversing this decision declared that the provision of the Act was a "grave invasion of citizens' rights, rendering the seeker after justice liable to imprisonment."

## FINE ARTS BUILDING SWEEPED BY FIRE AT NEW YORK YESTERDAY

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
NEW YORK, January 31.—Art treasures valued at \$750,000 were destroyed by a fire which swept through the annex of the American Fine Arts Building yesterday. While the fire was raging 1400 students, including 200 young women, marched in safety from neighboring buildings.

## LEAGUE OF NATIONS TAKE UP QUESTION SWISS NEUTRALITY

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
BERNE, Jan. 31.—Switzerland is anxious that the League of Nations may take up the question of Swiss neutrality in the near future.

## TROOPS REVOLTED AT VLADIVOSTOK

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
VLADIVOSTOK, January 31.—Three hundred government troops revolted here yesterday. They arrested their officers and refused to take orders from the Government authorities. The men were forced to surrender this morning.

## HOISTED KOLCHAK ON SOLDIERS' BAYONETS

(Special by G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
LONDON, Jan. 31.—A Moscow dispatch declares that Supreme Ruler Kolchak was hoisted on his soldiers' bayonets.

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## \$2,000 FOR NEW NURSES' HOME

### Judge Young Hands Check to the Hospital Board on Behalf of Red Cross.

### ERECTION OF NEW BUILDING IS URGED

At the annual meeting of the Hospital Association last night Judge Young, on behalf of the Red Cross Society, handed a marked check for \$2,000 to the president of the Hospital Board to be used as a nucleus to the fund for the erection of a nurses' home.

In presenting the check the Judge said that all were agreed as to the necessity of the home. The Red Cross executive was unanimous as to the need. The erection of a building has been too long delayed. He read the resolution of the Red Cross Society which was moved by Mrs. R. L. McIntosh, seconded by Mrs. F. G. Dawson and signed by the secretary, Mrs. N. E. Woodland. It provides that the money be used exclusively towards the erection of the home, and that out of the sum mentioned a sufficient amount be retained to suitably furnish the nurses' living room in such home.

Judge Young said he understood that they already had a suitable site, the title of which is in the hospital. The object was a worthy one and the public of Prince Rupert and district was generous.

The society had also decided to present the library to the hospital for the use of convalescents. They could have both the 150 books and the shelving, the condition being that they be removed from the hut immediately.

On the motion of W. E. Williams the generous gifts were accepted by the Board with thanks and the secretary directed to open a special account for the fund for the new home.

## NEW BRITISH TERRITORIALS

### Churchill Outlines Scheme for Organization of Volunteer Force.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
LONDON, Jan. 31.—Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary of state for war, in outlining the reconstruction of the territorial forces, said they would be organized as a territorial army comprising fourteen divisions, approximating as closely as possible the regular army division make-up.

Churchill declared the territorial forces would not be sent to foreign war theatres unless they volunteered for this service and unless Parliament endorsed it and the reserves had been called up.

## WAR VIOLATORS LIST COMPLETE

### More than 800 Names are to be Handed to Germany and no Revision Allowed.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
PARIS, Jan. 31.—The list of German war violators has been completed by the Allied countries. It contains more than 800 names of those who transgressed all the rules of international warfare.

It is understood that the final list will be handed to Germany on February 10 and that it will not be revised.

## JIMMIE WILDE WILL FIGHT FRANKIE MASON

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
TOLEDO, Jan. 31.—Preparations are beginning for the forthcoming bout between Jimmy Wilde and Frankie Mason.

## ACTION OVER BUILDING DOCK TO BE HEARD

### Grant Smith & Co. & McDonnell Suing Government for Over Quarter of Million Dollars.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

OTTAWA, January 31.—Action against the Government concerning the payment for excavation of 28,276 cubic yards of earth and 31,100 cubic yards of rock, the amount in each case respectively being \$44,703 and \$292,110, will be heard in the Exchequer Court on February 4.

The action is that of Grant Smith & Co. & McDonnell, Ltd., of Vancouver for work done in connection with the building of two big concrete wharves at Victoria on a contract signed March 9, 1914.

The dispute is as to what percentage of excavation work should be paid for rock rates, and the company claims that they had to blast to the extent for which they claim for rock excavation. They were being paid 52c per cubic yard for earth and \$9.10 for rock.

## MRS. DAN MARTIN IN STREET ACCIDENT

### Sustained Very Severe Injuries at Vancouver and is at the Hospital.

Word has been received privately in this city of the very serious injuries sustained by Mrs. Dan Martin, a resident of Prince Rupert some six years ago, in a street accident in Vancouver. Mrs. Martin was leaving her home on 24th Avenue, East, last Friday afternoon and while hurrying to catch a street car was run down by a large motor truck. The injuries were very serious as her nose and both jaws were broken, and she received serious injuries about the head. Besides this, she sustained a compound fracture of the leg below the knee. She was immediately rushed, unconscious, to the hospital where she has received no visitors.

Mrs. Martin had a host of friends in this city who will much regret to hear of the painful accident. Since leaving Prince Rupert she has lived at Anxox, more recently moving to Vancouver. Her husband, Dan Martin, was connected with the city water-works department.

## CELESTIAL EMPIRE IN HAD ENGINE TROUBLE

### Big New England Trawler Calls for Repairs Below Deck; Gone Today.

The big New England Fisheries trawler Celestial Empire came into Prince Rupert yesterday afternoon with engine trouble. After unloading 5,000 pounds of halibut which had been caught while coming north from Vancouver, the vessel had repairs made and left for the banks at noon today.

The Celestial Empire will fish on the banks adjacent at the Queen Charlotte Islands but as she works out of Vancouver her catches will be taken there.

## MILLIONS SPENT ON EX-SOLDIERS WHO ARE OUT OF WORK

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
OTTAWA, Jan. 31.—In the neighborhood of a million dollars has been paid to ex-soldiers out of work from the employment appropriation. To the first week of January there had been 17,000 applicants who benefited to the extent of nearly \$600,000. A. E. Rose, C.B., who has charge of the administration of the fund, said it was certain the total to be spent would not be more than \$3,000,000.

## No Agreement by Senate Committee Regarding the German Treaty of Peace

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The treaty compromise is referred back to the Senate without report as the bi-partisan conference failed to reach any decision. There is no indication what action will be taken in regard to it.

The question of food relief for Europe is an important subject before the ways and means committee of Congress. In some of the European countries food is very scarce and dear and the people are badly in need of help.

## NEW DIRECTORS FOR HOSPITAL

### Five Chosen at Annual Meeting of Hospital Association Last Night.

At the annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Hospital Association in the City Hall last night Judge Young was elected honorary president and five directors were chosen, D. G. Stewart, W. E. Williams, J. B. Roerig, D. C. McTae, and J. C. McLennan. Other directors will be appointed by the Provincial Government, the City Council and the Ladies' Auxiliary. D. C. Stuart was chosen auditor.

Reports were read from the directors, the matron, and the Ladies' Auxiliary and the financial report showed a debt of \$5,000 and many expenditures needed. Votes of thanks were passed to the Ladies' Auxiliary, Daughters of the Empire, and other organizations that had helped the hospital during the year. The Ladies Auxiliary had raised \$1,342 which had been spent on new linen and other necessities, while the I. O. D. E. had equipped a much-needed nursery.

## LARGE NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS

### Increase in 1919 Over Previous Year Numbered 67,393.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
OTTAWA, Jan. 31.—Immigration to Canada for the calendar year 1919 totalled 117,633, an increase of 67,393 over 1918. Of these 57,251 were from the British Isles, principally soldiers' dependents, and 52,064 from the United States. In 1918 the totals were: British Isles, 4,484; United States, 40,194.

Immigrants from the United States brought with them cash and effects amounting to \$18,449,406, compared with \$7,351,047 in 1918.

Immigrants who took up residence in Canada last year in British Columbia numbered 3,601. British settlers last year in British Columbia numbered 8,346.

## SONS OF ENGLAND HAD SOCIAL NIGHT

### Entertained Members and Friends at Cards and Dancing.

About 100 persons were in attendance at the whist drive and dance given by the Sons of England for members and friends in the K. P. Hall last evening. The party was arranged by the S. O. E. social committee and was a very enjoyable event. The first part of the evening was devoted to card playing and after this dancing was the order till the early hours of the morning.

Mrs. J. Vierick won the first ladies' prize. S. M. Newton and W. Hughes tied for the gentlemen's prize and on the cut of the cards it was awarded to the latter. Consolation prizes went to Mrs. Will Edmunds and John Myhill-Jones. Music was provided by the Empress Orchestra.

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## DENTAL CLINIC BIG ADVANTAGE TO COMMUNITY

### Dr. A. H. Bayne, Addressing St. Andrew's Society Gives Facts and Figures.

### GREAT BENEFIT TO WELFARE OF CHILDREN

The address given by Dr. A. H. Bayne to the St. Andrew's Society last night on Free Dental Clinics for School Children was much appreciated by the members and a fuller insight into the workings of such an institution was furnished by the doctor. Dr. Bayne states that he would be willing to give half a day per week to the work and if this was done by the three dentists in this city it would mean 1 1/2 days per week which he considers ample for the 700 school children in attendance at the city schools. In Vancouver, where there are 10,000 children attending school, ten days a week are given.

"The health of any community is its greatest asset," said Dr. Bayne, in the course of his address last night, "and the mouth is the portal of the human system. A neglected, unclean and unhealthy mouth precludes the possibility of a healthy individual. The unfortunate train of results that are caused by a broken down and diseased set of teeth are too well known to all intelligent people to need elaboration, but, a well known fact gains force by repetition. Decayed teeth not only interfere directly with the process of nutrition but they favor the propagation of disease germs so that the child whose vital resistance is already lowered, if not entirely broken down, falls an easy prey to disease.

### Advantages Evident.

"The solution is a free dental clinic. It may sound a big proposition but when the city does this—as do it, it must—it will be one of the greatest advances in the matter of public health ever made by the community. In view

## PRICES HIGH UNTIL PRODUCTION GREATER

### So Declares Reginald McKenna When Government Asked to Bring Down Cost.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
LONDON, Jan. 30.—Reginald McKenna declares that lower prices will not obtain until production is increased. Any sudden deflection would be disastrous to trade. The buying capacity of the British public has been doubled since 1918. The country must reduce expenditures to a figure lower than tax revenues.

The declaration was in answer to the miners who asked that prices be reduced by the Government.

## ASK REFERENDUM ON PROHIBITION

(Special by G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
Regina, Jan. 30.—Hon. W. F. A. Turgeon moved a resolution here yesterday asking the Dominion Government to take a referendum vote to determine whether imports of liquor should be prohibited or not in Saskatchewan.