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PRESIDENT WILSON REFUSES TO YIELD ON ALL POINTS RULED BY SECRET TREATIES

AS WELL AS ITALY AFFECTED BY STAND OF THE
AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVE WHOSE STATE-
MENT NEARLY TOOK AWAY BREATH
OF DELEGATES

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

Paris, April 24.—President Wilson's emphatic declaration that he will not yield on the Adriatic question has created a most profound sensation at the Peace Conference. He has thrown the gauntlet to supporters of secret treaties in a manner which almost took away the breath of the delegates who had been upon compromise on points covered by many secret documents at variance with the fourteen points.

Wilson's declaration, while aimed directly at Adriatic problems, also reaches the Kiao Chau controversy in which Japan is upon secret agreements made with Great Britain, France and Italy in 1917 to support her in her claims to concessions held in Germany in Shantung.

London, April 24.—Under the Treaty of London, Italy was to be given Trieste, Pola and part of Dalmatia, but Fiume was to be given to Croatia. Great Britain has advised Italy to forego some of her claims, but the Italians insist on their rights under the treaty.

PREMIER GIVES HIS REPLY TO RETURNED MEN

That Demand for Dissolution
Demonstrates Their Unfitness
To Be Public Advisers.

Ottawa, April 24.—In replying to a number of returned soldiers who waited on Premier Oliver yesterday asking for the dissolution of the Legislature, the Premier outlined many reasons which made dissolution inadvisable. "From the standpoint of the public welfare and development of the province," he said, "to grant your request would demonstrate the unfitness of the Government to govern, as it would be a dissolution of the Government by its own unfitness to be public advisers."

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PATRIOTIC EXPRESSIONS
BY MANY SPEAKERS

Patriotism and the upholding of the eternal principles of liberty and justice were the principal themes of the speakers at the St. George's Day banquet last night in St. Andrew's Hall. The spirit of St. George and Merrie Englands was much in evidence and the first annual banquet and dance was generally acknowledged to have been one of the best events of its kind ever held in Prince Rupert.

J. Hutchinson, president of the Sons of England, under whose auspices the event was held, presided as toastmaster. He explained that during the war their social activities had remained in abeyance, but now that the war was over they intended to renew them and this was the first fruits of their activities.

Patriotic Organization.
The Sons of England was a patriotic organization and one of the obligations of the members was that each one had to be ready at all times to defend flag and country. When war was declared they had but 64 members, yet of these no less than 36 had gone overseas in defence of the Empire and seven had made the supreme sacrifice.

Mr. Hutchinson suggested that there should be a union of the patriotic societies. When men would send fraternal greetings to the enemy it was time they were taking action. He told of instances of brutality of the Hun that had come under his notice. When people would talk of fraternity with these people it was time for the fraternal organizations to get together and educate the people in citizenship.

Not Mythical.
Rev. Canon Rix who spoke to the toast of St. George's Day said that the men in whose honor they had met that night was not a mythical being. He was a soldier in the army of Diocletian, who when Christians were being persecuted resigned as a protest, and was himself executed for the faith. He told of the myths which had grown up around St. George and of the adoption of the red cross as the emblem of the nation. With the cry "St. George and Merry England," and beneath that flag the English had defeated the Dutch and the French. Cabot had discovered Canada, the British navy had become mistress of the seas and it could be truly said that this flag of St. George had braved for a thousand years the battle and the breeze. The cross of St. George was the dominating feature of the Union Jack representing the senior partner and today the naval flag and the white ensign both bore only the flag of St. George.

Tang of Britain.
Canon Rix spoke of the love of country which was inherent in the race. There were 54,000 aliens in this province, but he liked to hear the tang of old Britain in the language of the people. St. George had died for a principle. He had defended the weak and womanhood. The tragedy of St. George and the Dragon had been repeated recently. When the dragon sent out his fiery breath St. George again took the sword and in face of the power of the dragon, his venom and his poison went out to protect womanhood.

When the first contingent left for France 64 per cent of them were English and the Scotch came next in numbers. There was so little difference between Scotch and English that it was difficult to tell them apart. He approved the idea of getting together as patriotic organizations. Any man with British blood in his veins

POLICE ORDERS ARE TO SHOOT

State of Siege is Proclaimed at German Port of Hamburg.

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

Copenhagen, April 24.—The latest outbreak to take place in Germany is at the port of Hamburg where a state of siege has been proclaimed by the Government.

In order to quell the tumult the police have received orders to shoot persons carrying arms, plundering or fighting against the national police.

ALASKA MAY ENTER SHIPPING BUSINESS

Authority Granted by the House of Representatives to Charter Ships.

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

Juneau, April 24.—The House of Representatives yesterday passed a bill authorizing the territory of Alaska to enter the transportation business with chartered ships. An appropriation of \$300,000 was made for the purpose. The Governor of the territory is made secretary-treasurer of the Shipping Board which will carefully investigate conditions before entering the shipping business.

SEALS ARE RAPIDLY BEING EXTERMINATED

Total Catch for the Season on East Coast is 81,292.

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

St. Johns, Newfoundland, April 24.—The seal fishing season has ended with the second poorest catch on record in the century. The total for ten ships engaged numbered only 81,292 pelts.

The general opinion here is that the seals are being rapidly exterminated. The total catch for the year 1915 was 409,169.

BALLANTYNE HOME

Ottawa, April 23.—Hon. D. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, took his seat in the Commons yesterday for the first time this session. He has recently recovered from a serious illness.

VILNA RECAPTURED

London, April 23.—Vilna has been recaptured from the Bolsheviks, according to an official admission received in a Russian wireless despatch.

who does not stand four square is a traitor in the camp. They should stand together as patriots whether beneath the flag of St. Andrew or St. George.

Fred Stork.

Fred Stork spoke of the inspiring occasion. St. George's Day should be one of the outstanding days. As a nation we had faced the day of trial. At one time it looked as if nothing but dissolution was in store. Wherever the sons of Britain were gathered there was rejoicing over their great victory. The past of Canada was great and glorious and he had confidence in the future. Much, however, would depend on the way in which we took to heart the lessons learned and adapted ourselves to the new ideas and ideals.

Mr. Stork also touched on the growth of the city and mentioned that its outlook was never brighter than today. Rupert's contribution to the winning of the war was not exceeded by any city its size within the British dominions. "Last night we extended a welcome to Capt. John McGregor, V. C., next month we shall welcome home Lieut.-Col. Peck, V. C.," continued the speaker. The city had done magnificently.

Mr. Silversides.
In replying for the Army and (Continued on Page Three).

WHITE GOVERNMENT HAS A HARD TIME AT OTTAWA; IS UNDER FIRE CONTINUOUSLY

MANY AMENDMENTS OFFERED TO BILL TO INCORPORATE
CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY;
SIX MONTHS HOIST DEFEATED
BY HOUSE

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

Ottawa, April 24.—Keen, continuous fighting characterized the day's proceedings in the House of Commons at the afternoon and evening sessions. The Government's bill to incorporate the Canadian National Railway Company, which is to administer the Government Railway System, was under discussion. There was amendment after amendment.

A. R. McMaster had an amendment that the directorate of the company should be chosen from a list of fifteen furnished by the House, sixty per cent nominated by the Government and forty per cent by the Opposition. Eventually Mr. McMaster withdrew the motion.

Major Power moved that one at least of the members of the directorate should be a returned soldier. His motion was defeated by 38 to 23.

Ernest Lapointe had an amendment that at least two of the directors should be representative of the employees. This amendment also was lost. By the time for adjournment which took place at 11:30, four out of thirty clauses had been passed.

Six Months' Hoist.

Hon. Arthur Meighen's Fire Prevention Bill came up for third reading. Immediately Mr. McKenzie, leader of the opposition, seconded by Tobin, moved the six months' hoist. The House divided, for the six months' hoist, 51; against, 69, majority against 18. Sir Sam Hughes and Dr. Sheard voted with the opposition. The bill was then read a third time.

KELLY BRINGS 120,000 LBS. OF HALIBUT

Large Catch Being Discharged;
Foster Brings 30,000 lbs.
Ground Fish.

The steam fishing boat Andrew Kelly, owned by the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., arrived in port yesterday with the large catch of 120,000 lbs. of halibut after a 17-day fishing trip.

The Andrew Kelly is a sister ship of the G. E. Foster, also operating out of this port and owned by the same company. She has a crew of 24 men, including twelve fishermen, whereas the G. E. Foster carries 23 men. She is unloading her catch today, and expects to be ready to go out again on Saturday.

The G. E. Foster arrived in with a catch of 30,000 lbs. of flat fish last night.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Captain Groves, who returned yesterday from Ocean Falls, superintended the loading of the steamer Macedon with 3,300 tons of paper for Sydney and Melbourne. The vessel is now gone to Genoa Bay for a deck load of lumber.

The only fishing vessel in this morning was the Atlas with 35,000 pounds of halibut, which sold at 9.7c. and 7c. per pound to the Atlin Fisheries, Ltd., for delivery at Ketchikan, on account of ear shortage.

W. Gronquist was fined \$10 this morning in the police court by Magistrate McMullin for being drunk. It appeared from the evidence that he had a profound liking for lemon extract.

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DRYDOCK BALL TEAM COMES BACK AT COLTS

Another exciting ball game was played last night between the Colts and Drydocks and the latter succeeded in turning the tables on their rivals by the score of 14 to 13. Johnny Fotos was the leading slugger, having knocked out two 3-baggers, bringing in two runs each time. The batteries were Frizzell and Hill for the Colts, Crossley and Smith for the Drydocks.

Harry Astoria discharged the onerous duties of umpire very satisfactorily. These teams will clash again on Market Square on Friday evening at 6:30.

The following was the lineup:
Colts—Frizzell, Hill, Roberts, Suga, W. Mitchell, Currie, Green, G. Mitchell, and Montgomery.
Drydocks—Crossley, Smith, Morrison, Graham, Hadland, Lambie, Fotos, Halverson and Kergin.

BASEBALL SCORES

American League—Washington 1, Philadelphia 0; Boston 10, New York 0; Chicago 13, St. Louis 4; Cleveland at Detroit.

National League—Brooklyn 6, Boston 1; New York 10, Philadelphia 7; Cincinnati 6, St. Louis 2; Pittsburgh at Chicago postponed on account of rain.

Coast League—Oakland 3, at Seattle 2; Sacramento 4, at San Francisco 2; Salt Lake 6, at Los Angeles 2; Vernon 12, at Portland 3.

Western National—Seattle 2, Victoria 0; Tacoma 5, at Vancouver 2.

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