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## NEAR EAST SITUATION IS IN THE BALANCE

### BRITISH GENERAL IS TO CONFER PERSONALLY WITH MUSTAPHA KEMAL

#### General Harrington Leaves to Confer with Kemal: Neutral Zone is Occupied by Turkish Forces

**CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 29.**—Brig.-Gen. Harrington, commander of the British forces at the Dardanelles, plans to leave today for a conference with Mustapha Kemal at Mudania. The British are confident that if the next 24 hours pass without the firing of shots at Chanak or elsewhere along the Dardanelles, the immediate danger of hostilities will be avoided. This is the time estimated for General Harrington's journey and interview.

**CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 29 (p.m.)**—Turk Nationalists occupied the whole of the neutral zone on the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles with the exception of the Chanak area where the British are entrenched.

**CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 29.**—Mustapha Kemal, replying to General Harrington's message declares his troops would not advance further. He says he desires no incidents should occur and he will see General Harrington as soon as possible.

#### GETTING READY TO OPEN MILL

Arrivals on Prince John Today Say That Two Logging Camps Will Open at Buckley Bay Very Soon.

Active preparations for the early reopening of the Massett Lumber Co.'s mill at Buckley Bay to cut cants and rough lumber for the Los Angeles finishing plant continue steadily and two logging camps, run by Bert Jamieson and H. R. Frost, will open up early in October according to arrivals from Graham Island on the steamer Prince John. The mill has not yet opened but all signs point to operations starting very soon.

Among the arrivals at Buckley Bay from Vancouver on the Prince John this trip were Mr. and Mrs. J. Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell will run the Massett Lumber Co.'s store and warehouse there.

#### VOLUNTEERING RUSH OTTAWA

Offers of Service Pour in From All Over Canada And Also From United States

**OTTAWA, Sept. 29.**—Offers of service in the event of Great Britain going to war with Turkey are pouring into militia headquarters in increasing numbers. In some cases whole regiments and companies are offering while individuals are offering letters. The volunteering is not confined to Canada though every city and town in the Dominion is represented in the offerings. Canadians and Americans in the United States are also urging their willingness to enlist.

#### ACCOUNTANT IS NEW LORD MAYOR LONDON

Ald. Edward Moore Was Today Elected First Magistrate of British Capital

**LONDON, Sept. 29.**—Ald. Edward Moore was today elected mayor of London. He is a chartered accountant and is the first member of that profession to become Lord Mayor.

A. B. Coulson, of Sedgewick Bay, Q. C. I., arrived on the Prince John this morning en route to Vancouver.

#### EVERYBODY HAPPY AT ANYOX; RAISE IN WAGES COMING

Granby Employees All to Get 50c a Day More After Oct. 1; Dam Finished on Dec. 15

Everybody is happy at Anyox, the busiest little town on the northern coast, says John Conway, coroner and government agent, who reached the city on last night's steamer from the north. There is to be a general increase all around in wages of 50c a day effective on October 1.

Mr. Conway reports that there are about 2500 people at Anyox just now. All are busy and the increase in wages is a matter of much elation. Good progress is being made on the big dam and it should be finished about December 15.

P. J. McDermodt, accountant of the local branch of the Union Bank, returned last night from Smithers where he has been relieving for several weeks.

#### Premier Oliver Urges Hold on to P.G.E. and Develop Resources of the District

**NELSON, Sept. 29.**—With wired best wishes from Premier Mackenzie King at Ottawa and a similar message from Hon. J. H. King, federal minister of works as its inspiration, the Provincial Liberal Convention formally opened with an attendance of over three hundred. There were 21 ministers and provincial or federal members present.

The features of the afternoon session resulted in the passage of resolutions congratulating Mackenzie King on his attainment of the premiership of Canada and affirming support to his Government, also the passage of a resolution of confidence in the Oliver Government and an address by Premier Oliver which aroused enthusiasm with the declaration regarding the policy he advised respecting the P.G.E. Railway.

The Premier stated that J. G. Sullivan, the railway expert, reported that the P.G.E. should not have been bought and that it could not pay. "He looks on it from the economic standpoint," declared the premier, "but we cannot look at it like that."

**Inconsistent Report**

In one section of his report the expert had said there was four billion feet of standing timber, in another five billions and in yet another six billion and also five million cords of pulp wood. While agriculturally a large part of the territory was disappointing portions of the Cariboo in last year's dry season had a splendid wheat crop.

"We have obligation amounting to about two million dollars a year whether we abandon the road or not," said the premier. "Before we abandon it, let us examine the country in detail and study every resource. Let us put settlers on the land where such land offers good average chances of making good. If by affording facilities for the establishment of pulp mills by opening up the timber, we can bridge the gap without increasing our debt, I say it is political sagacity to develop the mine instead of abandoning it."

#### DEATH LIST GROWS ITALIAN EXPLOSION

**SPEZIA, Sept. 29.**—The number of dead in the explosion at Falconara yesterday will reach 144 it is now feared. Several hundred are seriously injured and many citizens are still beneath the wreckage. All hospitals are filled.

**EXCHANGE.**  
Sterling, \$1.38 5-8.  
United States, par.  
Hong Kong, 57 5-8.

#### SULTAN OF TURKEY RETIRES IN FAVOR OF HEIR APPARENT

**LONDON, Sept. 29.**—The Sultan of Turkey has abdicated, according to a Reuter despatch from Constantinople, in favor of his cousin, the heir apparent, Prince Abdul Medjid Effendi.

#### PROSPECTOR COMING HERE

C.G.M.M. Freighter Will Arrive on Sunday Morning to go Into Dock

C.G.M.M. Canadian Prospector will arrive in port on Sunday morning direct from the Orient for dry docking and cleaning in the Canadian National Dry Dock, according to wireless advice received direct from the steamer at the local C.G.M.M. Office this morning. The steamer, it is understood, is coming on light. She will be met by Capt. McCoskrie, harbor master, if possible.

Capt. Wallace is in command of the Prospector which is of standard build and of 8,800 tonnage like the Scottish, Britisher, and Skirmisher, all of which have been in this port.

#### RECEPTION FOR YOUNG COUPLE

Wonderful Gathering of Friends Extend Felicitations to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Moore.

There was a great gathering last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wakefield, the American Consul, Fourth Avenue, the occasion being the marriage reception for their daughter Marie Louise and Lawrence Moore. The rooms at the consulate are capacious but they were taxed to the utmost to accommodate the large number who were present.

The occasion was an auspicious one and the hearty reception given the guests by Consul and Mrs. Wakefield awakened a responsive chord in the hearts of all. The recent bride looked beautiful gown in flame lace while her mother wore net over midnight blue. Youth and beauty mingled with the more stately matrons and the whole made a scene of beauty and animation not soon to be forgotten.

The one toast, that of the bride, was proposed by Bishop Iruoz who spoke of the popularity of the young couple, of the beauty of the bride, of the sanctity of the marriage tie and of the fact that the future of the nation lay in the formation of new homes.

#### Dancing and Cards.

Following the reception the large room was cleared for dancing and the older people who felt so inclined played bridge in the downstairs rooms. Charles Balagno was pianist for the evening and dancing was kept up till after one o'clock.

One feature of the evening that was most enjoyable was the singing of S. K. Campbell who contributed several solos. The wedding presents, which (Continued on Page Six)

#### MRS. STILLMAN WINS HER CASE

Her Child Declared Legitimate but Husband Was Offender.

**MANY FALSE WITNESSES.**  
Immense Sums Spent in Securing Evidence for Divorce.

**GARMEL, N. Y., Sept. 29.**—James Stillman, former president of the New York City Bank, was denied a decree in his suit for absolute divorce against his wife, Anna V. Stillman and baby Guy Stillman was declared legitimate in the findings of Daniel Gleason, referee in the case, filed today.

The decision was a complete victory for Mrs. Stillman. Not only was her defence upheld but the referee confirms the charges that Stillman miscondacted himself with Florence Leeds, a show girl, and Mrs. Leeds had borne two children.

The divorce case, in which the principals accused one another of being the parents of illegitimate children, has been in many ways without parallel in the history of domestic raptures in American high society.

James A. Stillman who instituted the court proceedings, was president of the National City Bank of New York, the son of a former head of that institution and a noted multi-millionaire. He charged his wife, the former Effi Potter, a famous beauty, of infidelity, saying she was guilty of misconduct from 1916 through 1919 with Fred Beauvais, an Indian guide at their summer camp near Three Rivers, Quebec. Mr. Stillman declared Beauvais was the father of Guy Stillman, born to Mrs. Stillman in November, 1919.

This charge was denied by Mrs. Stillman. In retaliation she (Continued on Page Six)

#### ROBBERS TAKE CITY PAYROLL OF VANCOUVER

Most Sensational Robbery in History of City This Morning

**VANCOUVER, Sept. 29.**—The most spectacular robbery in the history of the City of Vancouver took place this morning at 10 o'clock when three men held up F. P. Schooley and Robert Armstrong, of the city hall staff, and robbed them of \$75,000 cash. Armstrong and Schooley had been at the Bank of Montreal to get the civic payroll. They returned in a street car and were about to enter the city hall when three men stepped from an automobile, snatched the satchel with the cash in it from the hands of the surprised officials, leaped into car again and sped away through the business district.

"When we got within thirty feet of the entrance," said Armstrong, "a Hudson car came tearing down Main street and skidded to a sudden stop. Three armed masked men jumped out, made a desperate attempt to reach the city hall door. Within three feet of the door, one robber felled me. When I revived the bandits had disappeared."

The police have been straining every effort to apprehend the robbers but up till an early hour this afternoon had been unsuccessful.

#### Premier Mine Pays Another Dividend to Shareholders Making Total of \$2,400,000

**VANCOUVER, Sept. 29.**—The Premier Gold Mine Company has declared a dividend of fifteen per cent, amounting to \$750,000 for distribution at the end of this month. The capitalization of the mine is five million dollars.

This dividend makes the fourth distribution since the tramway commenced operating on December 20 last, the total distribution reaching the amazing total of \$2,400,000, or a return to the shareholders of almost half their investment in nine months. This is believed to be a record for any mine or company in existence.

The Premier Mine is controlled by the American Smelting and Refining Co. operating the smelter at Tacoma. The dividends are paid from the proceeds of the profit on the mine and the smelting company makes further profits from the smelting. The mine has been turning out ore valued at \$400,000 monthly.

#### TOTAL EXCLUSION OF ORIENTALS FAVORED BY BIG CONVENTION

**NELSON, Sept. 29.**—The Liberal convention this afternoon passed a resolution favoring total exclusion of Orientals.

The resolution reads: "That this Liberal convention ask the Federal Government to pass legislation for the complete exclusion of all Orientals."

#### CONSTANTINE IS PRISONER

Will be Sent Out of Country; Ministers Charged With Defeat of Army

**PARIS, Sept. 29.**—Ex-King Constantine will be held prisoner in Athens pending arrangements to send him out of the country, according to a despatch.

Five ministers of Protophaidak's government have been imprisoned, charged with responsibility for the defeat of the Greeks in Asia Minor and succeeding events in Greece. They will be tried by a military commission.

**PARIS, Sept. 29.**—Despatches from Athens indicate the belief of Greek officials that King George's reign will not be very long and that a republic will be established in Greece.

The revolutionary committee has telegraphed Premier Venizelos asking him to represent Greece in the allied capitals and at the coming peace conference.

A ship will be placed at the disposal of ex-King Constantine and he and his family will be asked to leave.

#### GOLD STRIKE MADE AT USK

Report Reaching Town Last Night Says that Quite an Excitement Caused There and at Terrace.

There is quite a good deal of excitement at Terrace and Usk over a gold strike that has just been made according to arrivals from the interior on last night's train. There has been a lot of staking in the immediate vicinity of the strike and one report is that 38 prospectors had arrived on the last two trains.

The reported strike was made by two French prospectors in an old digging on Gold (Kleanza) Creek about two or three miles from Usk. Finding big nuggets which are said to have been as large as a man's thumb, they immediately came into Usk and went down to Terrace. Among those who went to the scene and staked were John Willman, manager of the Kleanza Gold Mining Co. It has been generally understood that there is a good deal of native gold on Kleanza Creek in the glacial gravel drift and panning has already had good results there.

#### KELLY LOGGING CAMPS CUMSHEWA INLET ARE STILL GOING STEADILY

T. A. Kelly, the well known Queen Charlotte Island logging man, and J. McMillan, superintendent of his camps, arrived from Cumshewa Inlet on the Prince John this morning and will sail this afternoon on the Princess Alice for Vancouver. Mr. Kelly reports that activities are proceeding steadily at his two camps where 75 men are engaged. The logs are shipped in rafts across Hecate Straits to Alert Bay where they are assembled and taken on to United States. The camps will continue throughout the winter.

#### FISH IS GOING AHEAD WITHOUT ANY DELAY NOW

Difficulties Caused to American Fish by 2c Duty on Canadian Are Now Cleared up

After an exchange of several telegrams between United States customs officials and American Consul Wakefield and A. D. Gillies, local Canadian Express Co. manager, matters in regard to the confusion caused by the recently imposed 2c tariff on Canadian halibut entering the States have been cleared up. The necessary papers with instructions have been received and American fish is now going forward without delay. Accompanying each carload of American fish, there must be a declaration, attested by the master of the boat and two members of the crew and sworn to by the buyer before the American Consul, that it is American halibut so that its free entry into the States will be allowed. Bonds are now no longer necessary.

Mayor H. B. Rochester sails this evening on the Princess Alice for the south enroute to Kamloops where he will attend the conventions of the Union of B. C. Municipalities and the Good Roads League.