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# EFFORTS BEING MADE SETTLE REPARATIONS

## WAR VETERAN WOULD HAVE CONVENTION COME TO DEFENCE OF FRANCE

### Attempt Being Made to Find a Way out of Difficulties in Reparations: Divergencies Exist

LONDON, July 4.—The British cabinet today attempted to find some ray of light in the ever thickening fog of the reparations situation. Lord Curzon presented his colleagues with the substance of yesterday's verbal replies of France and Belgium, explaining the points on which those two countries showed any tendency to meet the British views.

The deliberations of the cabinet were shrouded with more than the usual secrecy as the whole reparations problem is of such extraordinary delicacy and the present conversations have such a direct bearing on the Anglo-French relations that only harm would result from undue stressing in the public press of the obvious divergencies which exist among the allies.

### Fight was Biggest Financial Failure in History of Ring Barely Seven Thousand Present

SHELBY, July 4.—The big paid admission and the bout promises to be the biggest financial failure in the history of the ring. Several thousand people waited outside the ring still undecided that the bout would really come off. Kearns decided to sell all the remaining tickets for ten dollars each. The deputy sheriff was given piles of tickets and bags along the entrances.

The crowd surged forward under this new impetus and hundreds of bills were stuffed into the bags as the crowd handed them over.

Intense heat adds to the impatience of the crowds and the anxiety of the officials.

SHELBY, Montana, July 4.—(1:30 p.m.)—It is estimated that the crowd watching the fight numbered approximately five thousand. The crowds in the cheaper seats moved down to the high priced rows.

In the first preliminary Jack McDonald of Seattle knocked out Ernie Syles of Rochester in the second round.

Mike Collins, matchmaker, announced that the remaining preliminary would not be put on if \$8,000 was not forthcoming to pay the referee and boxers.

#### Ticket Prices Cut

Ringside seat tickets for the bout were selling at cut rates on the streets of Shelby this morning. Businessmen and others, who were given tickets for the fight in return for money supplied to meet the first and second installment of Dempsey's guarantee, were disposing of them to new arrivals here at prices ranging from \$10 to \$40. The regular price was \$50. The low prices undoubtedly increased the crowd but they cut heavily into Kearns' and Dempsey's profits as they received proceeds from tickets sold in payment of the third guarantee installment of \$100,000.

While there was little betting on the result, the sentiment of various fight pools here was unanimously in favor of Dempsey to win.

The preliminaries started at 2 o'clock (1 o'clock coast time) and the main bout at 3 o'clock (2 o'clock). Clear sky and blazing sun greeted the town.

Gibbons and Dempsey both said they were in top form.

The Union freighter Chilcot, Capt. Georges, was in port from 10 to 11 o'clock last night unloading salmon from Skeena River cannery for shipment East. The Chilcot is northbound from Vancouver and wayports to Anyox.

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### MINSTREL TROUPE AND BALL TEAMS TO ANYOX

#### Arrangements Being Made For Big Excursion North at Be- ginning of Next Week

Arrangements are being made by Ben Self for the sending of the Elks' minstrel troupe and picked baseball and football teams from this city to Anyox early next week. The present plan, which has not been finally confirmed, provides for the party to leave here on the Cardena for Anyox next Sunday night arriving early Monday morning at the smelter town and spending the day there. Returning from Stewart, the Cardena will make special call at Anyox to pick the party up and bring them home. One baseball game, one football game, the putting on of the minstrel show and a dance afterwards will comprise the day's program at Anyox.

It is expected a special excursion fare may be obtained.

### SEATTLE SLOOP WON RACE WITH VANCOUVER

#### Sir Tom Retains Lipton Cup Em- blematic of Championship of North Pacific

SIR TOM, July 4.—The Seattle sloop, Sir Tom, retained possession of the Lipton cup and championship of the North Pacific yesterday when it defeated the Vancouver yacht Patricia over the English Bay course in the second race for the trophy. Sir Tom led by 53 seconds.

### CAPT. MC MILLAN ON A VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY

SYDNEY, Cape Breton, July 4.—Equipped for a long voyage of discovery in the Arctic, Capt. Donald McMillan and his party departed last night in their vessel the Bowdoin.

#### MCRAE ON TOUR

VANCOUVER, July 4.—Major-General A. D. McRae, leader of the provincial party and B. G. Stewart, member of the organization committee left last night on a speaking tour of three weeks' duration in the interior of the province. They will then go to Prince Rupert.

The B.C. Gazette tells of the incorporation of Bulger, Cameron & Co., of this city with a capital of \$35,000, registered office at J. Bulger and R. W. Cameron and amalgamate them.

Miss S. Stone, of the local school teaching staff, sailed last night on the Cardena for Vancouver where she will spend the vacation.

Dr. Frank Kenny, who has been practising dentistry in Toronto, has taken a partnership with Dr. A. H. Bayne, and the local office will now be run jointly.

#### ACTRESS ENTERS COMMONS.



The third woman to enter the British House of Commons, Mabel Russel, here seen on her arrival to take her seat in Parliament for the first time.

### Ten Thousand Veterans Meeting in Vancouver Today: Resolutions up

VANCOUVER, July 4.—Delegates to the sixth annual convention of the Great War Veterans' Association at the first day's session heard the address of acting president W. D. Sharpe reviewing the achievements of the association.

There was referred to the resolution committee to be brought up later a resolution introduced by Canon Scott that a wire be sent the Prime Minister of England imploring that there be no breach with France over the Ruhr crisis. "Any man," he said, "who has seen how poor old France has suffered, knows the ruin wrought in towns and villages will feel tremendous sympathy for her in her efforts to get re-established."

J. E. Russell, of Calgary, opposed the resolution, saying it was unwise to interfere with politics in Britain. The honor of Britain had been safeguarded in the past without undue influence. British statesmen were in direct touch with conditions and could be trusted to handle the situation.

Approximately ten thousand veterans are here attending the combined reunion and convention. Resolutions are being discussed today.

### MANY PARTIES COMING HERE

#### Excursionists Visiting This Part of Country During Next Two Weeks

#### BANKERS AND TEACHERS

#### All Accommodation on Monday's G.T.P. Boat is Already Sold Out

Two important excursion parties from the East will arrive in Prince Rupert next week. One will be the second personally conducted C.N.R. excursion tour of prairie and northern United States school teachers and friends and will arrive on Monday; the other the Wisconsin Bankers' Association annual excursion, which will arrive on Thursday, July 12.

The big teachers' excursion party, which contains 200 persons, will come in by special train at 8 o'clock on Monday evening and will leave for the south on the Prince Rupert at 11. As a result of the excursion, all accommodation on the steamer southbound is already sold out and none will be available locally. E. G. Wickerson, C.N.R. travelling passenger agent at Regina, is accompanying the party west and R. F. McNaughton, local district passenger agent, will go to Jasper tomorrow night to meet the excursionists and accompany them to Prince Rupert.

The Wisconsin Bankers' Association party, consisting of 50 members, will arrive by the regular train on Thursday, July 12, at 4:30 and will spend the night here sailing north on the Princess Louise the next morning. Accommodation has been reserved at the Prince Rupert Hotel for the night's stay of the excursionists. The local Board of Trade will take the visitors for a cruise on the harbor on Thursday evening and on Friday morning the railway company will run a couple of coaches up to Seal Cove to enable them to inspect the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.'s plant.

Leaving here on the Princess Louise, the party will go to Skagway returning south to Vancouver on the same steamer.

#### Party This Week

On Friday evening of this week there will arrive in the regular C.N.R. passenger train from the East, a party of 25 excursionists known as the Keisler party. They are from the Eastern States. They

will take the steamer Prince George north from here for Stewart on Friday night and will proceed to Vancouver on the same steamer, passing through here again on Saturday evening.

Several more large excursion parties are expected here later but final arrangements have not been made for them. Two big parties scheduled to arrive in August will require special trains.

### COAL MINERS ARE ON STRIKE

#### Go Out in Sympathy With Strik- ing Steel Workers Because Troops in District

#### MURDOCH TAKES EXCEPTION

SYDNEY, July 4.—Eight thousand coal miners had struck at midnight in sympathy with the striking steel workers and threaten to remain idle until the six hundred federal troops in the area are withdrawn. The pumpmen are out with the miners.

OTTAWA, July 4.—The coal miners of Cape Breton who struck because troops and provincial police in the Sydney area were not withdrawn have violated the Industrial Disputes Act, was the opinion voiced by Hon. James Murdoch today.

The provincial authorities of Nova Scotia are responsible for preservation of order and the enforcement of the federal laws, he said.

### POLICE MAGISTRATE SALARY IS REDUCED

#### City Council Notified of Order- in-Council Dropping Stipend from \$150 to \$125

The city council last night received notification from Victoria of the passing of an order-in-council reducing the salary of the police magistrate from \$150 to \$125 per month. This follows a request from the council some weeks ago asking for a reduction. The communication was referred to the finance committee.

### NO RAILWAYS TO BE BUILT IN PROVINCE

OTTAWA, July 4.—Officials of the department of railways today positively stated that there had been no qualifications in the bill which provided for branch lines construction on the Canadian National Railway and the Senate in killing the bill precluded all construction of new lines in B.C. as in other provinces.