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GERMANY STILL IS CENTRE OF INTEREST

PRINCE RUPERT USED IN ARGUMENT OVER FREIGHT RATES AT OTTAWA

Strike is Called off in Germany and Country is Settling Down New Chancellor States Position

BERLIN, Aug. 14.—Germany's note to the allied reparations commission announces that Germany must cease rendering all reparations in kind for the time being because Germany needs all its resources to ward off starvation of the people. The note attributes the budget deficit and inflation of the currency to the financing of deliveries already made under the reparations commission orders.

Leading newspapers in Germany are almost unanimous in approving the chancellorship of Dr. Stresemann and do not regret the loss of Cuno.

Reports of rioting and communistic activities continue and drastic police action against the rioters is reported from many parts of Germany.

AIX-LE-CHAPPELLE, Aug. 14.—Twelve persons were killed and more than eighty injured when the crowd last night attempted to storm police headquarters and rescue prisoners during the day when the police broke up the food shortage demonstration.

BERLIN, Aug. 14. (1 p.m.)—The entire strike in the city is called off by the communists and all transportation lines are resuming operations.

Reports received from all parts of the country indicate an end of the strikes and improvement in conditions.

BERLIN, Aug. 14.—Dr. Gustav Stresemann, the new German chancellor, outlined a statement today in the Reichstag. The conditions under which Germany is ready to abandon passive resistance in the Ruhr are:

Complete restoration to Germany of her right of control over the Ruhr.

Re-establishment of conditions in Rhineland vouchsafed her under the Versailles treaty.

Liberation of every citizen imprisoned.

SALT LAKE CITY SUFFERS FLOODS MINE EXPLOSION

Double Tragedy in Neighborhood of Mormon Centre

SALT LAKE CITY, Aug. 14.—As a result of an explosion in a coal mine at Kennerly, Wyo., 150 miners were trapped.

Eight bodies of persons killed or drowned as a result of a series of cloudbursts in the vicinity of this city and Ogden have been recovered up to 11 this morning. Three are missing. Property damage is a million dollars.

PROVINCE SOLD TO SOUTHAMS

Lieut. Governor Parts with Control of Vancouver Paper to Big Company

(Special to Daily News)
VANCOUVER, Aug. 14.—Southams Ltd., the noted Canadian newspaper proprietors, have purchased control of the Vancouver Daily Province from Hon. Walter Nichol, Lieut. Governor, for a million dollars cash for 51 per cent of the shares. Mr. Nichol retains 49 per cent.

DUTHIE OPTIONS MINING CLAIMS IN BABINE DISTRICT

SMITHERS, Aug. 14.—J. F. Duthie, who recently sold the majority interest in his Hudson Bay properties to the Federal Mining & Smelting Co., and who went south a few days ago, has bonded the mineral claims in Highland Basin in the Babine owned by M. Kane and T. King. These claims are eighteen miles from Smithers. Already a crew of men has been put to work and development will be pushed as fast as possible.

FRENCH WILL STAND FIRM

Poincare Will Return Courteous Refusal to British Suggestions

ENTENTE BOUND TO END

PARIS, Aug. 14.—Premier Poincare, who returned to Paris last night, informed his collaborators at the foreign office, that he intends "in the most courteous manner possible" to reply point by point to the note of Lord Curzon on the reparations question.

Although the reply will be courteous it is asserted in foreign office circles that it will be a stout reaffirmation of the French viewpoint and flat rejection of the British suggestions.

The reply will be sent as soon as possible, probably before the end of the week.

Although it is no longer assumed in official quarters that the entente may survive the present difficulties, the situation is taken with perfect calm in Government circles as well as by the press and public.

TWENTY-THREE KILLED NEAR FAMOUS SHRINE

LOURDES, France, Aug. 14.—Twenty-three persons were killed and seven injured when a motor coach filled with excursionists plunged down a 150 foot ravine in the Pyrenees Mountains near St. Gauveur.

NEW CLERK OF HOUSE AT OTTAWA APPOINTED

OTTAWA, Aug. 14.—Ernest Lemaire, superintendent of supply and equipment of the post office department and at one time secretary to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, has been appointed clerk of the Privy Council and of the House of Commons, succeeding the late Rudolph Bourdeau.

Mr. Lemaire has been with the civil service since 1883.

Dr. O. Darwin, superintendent of Methodist missions, sailed for Port Simpson on the Prince Albert last night.



To the world's champion cowboy goes this Roosevelt Trophy, the contest for which started on a point basis at the Cheyenne Frontier Days in July and will be completed at the famous Pendleton Roundup in September.

If Rate Barrier is Removed Prince Rupert will be used and G.T.P. Road Justified

OTTAWA, Aug. 14.—If given a chance, the western provinces and the Pacific coast would justify the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway to Prince Rupert but it could not be justified so long as there was a rate barrier to the development of traffic declared Gerald G. McGeer, K.C., of Vancouver, in addressing the Privy Council this morning while arguing for British Columbia in rebuttal of the replies of the railways in the B.C. freight rate appeal case.

Counsel for Alberta in order to save time waived the right of argument and the closing address for the two provinces was made by Mr. McGeer.

The removal of three kinds of discrimination was asked for by Mr. McGeer. In the first place, he asked that a sugar refiner in Vancouver be put on an equal rate basis with a sugar refiner in Montreal. In the second place, he declared that manufacturers in Vancouver should be on equality with those in Winnipeg in distributing in common territory. In the third place, Vancouver should be put in a position to serve the hinterland which was naturally tributary to it.

Mr. McGeer argued that where discrimination injured an individual or a locality it was illegal and it was the bounden duty of the railway commission to interfere. He drew attention to the fact that eighty-one per cent of the wheat acreage of the Dominion lay to the west of the Saskatchewan-Manitoba border and asked whether it was economical to ship that wheat through the ports of Montreal and St. John. The false rate structure which made this possible, he said, had created a movement of trade through the United States. The discrimination was not in favor of the Canadian East but rather the American East.

SEVEN HALIBUT BOATS SELL 106,500 POUNDS

Canadian Boats Received Higher Prices at Fish Exchange this Morning

Four American boats sold 96,500 pounds and three Canadians 10,000 pounds—a total of 106,500 pounds at the Fish Exchange this morning. Canadian boats received the best prices both for first and second class fares.

Arrivals and sales:
Polaris, 65,000 pounds, at 12c and 8.9c, and Lumen, 12,000 pounds, at 12.9c and 10.5c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Bringgold, 13,500 pounds, at 13.2c and 10.5c to the Atlin Fisheries.
Reliance, 6,500 pounds, at 13.9c and 11.9c, and Viola, 2,000 pounds at 13.3c and 11.5c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.
Pair of Jacks, 2,500 pounds at 14.1c and 11.9c, to the Royal Fish Co.

AGAIN ASKING AN ELEVATOR

Claims of this Port to Be Once More Laid Before Proper Authorities

The council of the Board of Trade yesterday afternoon decided to once more lay before the Canadian government claims of this port to an elevator. A formal resolution is being drawn up and forwarded to Premier Mackenzie King, the minister of trade and commerce, the minister of marine and the minister of railways as well as to Sir Henry Thornton.

The resolution will draw attention to the need of an elevator here, to the demand for return cargoes in connection with fast freights which might come from the Orient, and to the special advantages of this port.

Record Pack of Sockeye Skeena River this Year 30,000 Cases ahead 1922

The sockeye pack on the Skeena River this year bids fair to be a record breaker. With the fishing season for this species still ten days to go, the total pack of sockeyes up to the end of last week was 165,270 cases. This is over 30,000 cases more than was packed up to a corresponding date last year. In 1918, the record year to date, 123,332 cases were packed. With the run continuing as it has been just recently, this figure will be reached if not exceeded.

The pack of pinks on the Skeena this year is just about double of last year. So far 94,998 cases have been put up as compared with 49,700 cases on a corresponding date last year. The coho pack is also ahead this year, 7,656 cases having been recorded so far as against 3,398 cases last year.

The spring pack is down about 1,000 cases. Chums and steelheads are also down but these varieties do not constitute a very important factor of the total pack.

Sockeye fishing will continue on the Skeena River until August 24 at 6 p.m. Cohoes have not commenced to run in large quantities.

Naas River
The sockeye pack on the Naas River to date, 13,008 cases, is not half of the figure for the corresponding date last year, 28,094 cases. Pinks are also down about 20,000 cases. Cohoes are shown only for steelheads, cohoes and chums and they are not large.

TWO DROWNED BOAT CAPSIZED

Grandson of Late Lord Mount Stephen Victim of Accident at Minaki

MINAKI, Ont., Aug. 14.—Mount Stephen aged 17, a grandson of the late Lord Mount Stephen and Elizabeth Lang, aged 16, daughter of prominent Winnipeg society people were drowned when the boat capsized on the lake here. Campers believe Stephen died when trying to rescue the girl.

GASOLINE RATE WAR GOING ON IN STATES

Standard Oil Undersells all Other Concerns and Characterized as Ruinous

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—The price war in gasoline affecting thirteen states in the middle west resulted in the Standard Oil Company reducing the price six and one sixteenth cents a gallon to 16.4 cents.

Independents who recently forced down the price say they can only reduce five cents and not sell at a loss. They describe the Standard Oil price as ruinous to the industry.

CANADA MUST NOT INTERFERE WITH THE AFFAIRS OF EUROPE

QUEBEC, Aug. 14.—Interviewed regarding the European situation during the week end visit here Premier Mackenzie King confined himself to commenting: "Canada must not interfere with European affairs at this stage."

LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League
Cleveland 8-3, Philadelphia 6-11.
Chicago 4-3, Washington 5-2.
National League
Pittsburg 5, Brooklyn 2.
Others travelling.

VANCOUVER MAN WON

OTTAWA, Aug. 14.—With 67 out of a possible 70, Private Selwood of Vancouver, won the McDougall Challenge Cup and a prize of \$25 at the Annual Dominion of Canada rifle shoot.

RAILWAY CASE IS COMPLETED

Argument Concluded in Appeal of Province for Equalization of Freight Rates

OTTAWA, Aug. 14.—Argument for the railways against British Columbia's application for equalization of freight rates concluded yesterday when F. H. Chrysler, of the Canadian Railway Association and Gerald Ruel, of the Canadian National finished their joint argument against the claims of the provincial council G. G. McGeer, which was supported by counsel for Alberta before the Dominion cabinet sitting as privy council and court of appeal against a decision of the railway commission.

No indication of the privy council's probable decision is forthcoming.

CONVENTION LIBERALS SOON

Understood in Vancouver That Call is Likely to be Sent Out

(Special to Daily News)
VANCOUVER, Aug. 14.—Provincial Liberals will meet in convention in Vancouver this fall if a strong element in the organization has its way. According to present indications some of the most active workers in the Liberal Association say a general understanding was reached at Nelson last year that another provincial rally would be held at the coast before the end of September of this year.

G. Turgeon, provincial organizer of the party is sending out notices for an executive meeting.

M. A. Macdonald, K.C., provincial president, said last night that this meeting would decide when the convention will be held.

CITY OF TUSLA IS UNDER MARTIAL LAW SINCE FLOGGING CASE

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Aug. 14.—Governor Walton has placed the city of Tulsa under martial law following the public flogging of Nathan Hartman last Friday.

FRUIT GROWERS LOSE THEIR NEW MANAGER

VERNON, Aug. 14.—Archie Pratt has resigned as general manager of the Associated Growers of British Columbia and will be succeeded by Basil Stewart vice-president of the concern.