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PREMIER POINCARE OF FRANCE RESIGNS

LEADER OF PROGRESSIVE PARTY AT OTTAWA SAYS WILL AID FRED STORK

French Government Resigns after Defeat in Chamber of Deputies on Pensions Bill: Opposition Active

Premier Poincare says Action is Final but is Summoned by President Millerand to Conference

PARIS, March 26.—The Poincare ministry fell today. The premier, after an adverse vote in the chamber of deputies, handed his resignation to President Millerand and stated that it was final.

Later in the day the president summoned Poincare to Elyses Palace for the purpose of urging him to form a new ministry.

Defeat came on the government's pension bill. The measure was made a question of confidence by the minister of finance and it was rejected by a vote of 271 to 264.

The defeat came as a surprise and the opposition immediately became active on the announcement of the downfall of the government.

MURDER CLUE LEADS DIRECT TO A LUNATIC

Inmate of Hospital for Insane Believed to Have Been Coquiltam Culprit

STAINS ON CLOTHES

COQUILTAM, March 26.—Solution of the mystery of the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wilcherley on Thursday night last is believed to have been solved as a result of evidence which came to the chief of police McKinley Monday night. The clue led to the mental hospital at Essondale, where all told there are 1499 inmates. The clue led direct to one person and a scrutiny of that inmate is given, in the opinion of the police, as most conclusive evidence that the crime was his work and his alone.

The inmate to whom suspicion is directed is a man named Taylor, about 45 years of age and formerly a carpenter but since confined to the hospital being employed at the colony farm. Stains on the man's clothing as a result of an expert analysis in Vancouver are declared to be that of blood and brains.

SIR GALAHAD WINS LINCOLN

LINGOLN, March 26.—Sir Galahad III, owned by Capt. Gohn, won the Lincolnshire handicap of a thousand pounds with extras in the first big race of the flat racing season run here today.

Sol Joel's Exander came second with J. McAuley's Grave Fairy third. Twenty-seven horses ran and Sir Galahad was the favorite in the betting.

OVER SPECULATION CAUSES FINANCIAL PANIC IN VIENNA

VIENNA, March 26.—A panic occurred on the stock exchange yesterday, securities having dropped fifteen per cent. Newspapers here admit that the fall in quotations is chiefly due to speculation on frames.

Legislative Library, Parliament Buildings, Mar. 31, 24

SENTENCE OF SIX MONTHS

Harvey Copp, Late of Canadian Scottish, Goes Down for Cashing Worthless Check

For raising money on a worthless check, Harvey Copp, late of the steamer Canadian Scottish, was sentenced to six months imprisonment by Magistrate McClymont in the police court this morning. Last week Copp had been released on his own recognition to make restitution on a similar charge. In the meantime, however, he received \$10 from Joslin's Meat Market on Fulton Street on a \$25 check signed with the name A. Wilson and drawn on the Bank of Montreal. No such person of that name ever had an account at the bank of Montreal, the chief of police stated. Copp said he had received the check from a fisherman at the waterfront.

The magistrate refused to believe accused and, in support of his finding, showed where Copp had made a slip in what amounted to forgery. The writing had been backhand except for the number of the savings account in the corner which was similar to accused's handwriting. The denial of Copp that he had written the check was not accepted and he was sentenced to six months.

City Solicitor Jones asked that an example be made of accused. It looked like a deliberate attempt to defraud. Accused had raised money on four worthless checks in two weeks and was a danger to the community.

FORKE WILL HELP STORK

Leader of Progressives Says Member Alive to Interests of Rupert

S. J. McLeod, president of the Board of Trade has received the following letter from Robert Forke, leader of the Progressive Party: "Your letter containing information about the Prince Rupert harbor and resolution passed by the Board of Trade duly received. "I can assure you that Mr. Stork is quite alive to the interests of Prince Rupert and any help I can give will be freely given."

FRENCH WITHDRAWAL FROM RUHR LIKELY

Stated That Government Likely to Accept Pledges From Germany

PARIS, March 26.—It is stated in authoritative circles that the French government is ready to accept a suggestion which it is expected the reparations experts will make of French withdrawal from Ruhr in exchange for more comprehensive pledges.



The Norwegian royal family are shown at their winter home, near Christiania, about to start out for a morning's skiing. Photograph shows the king and queen and Crown Prince Olaf, with little Miss Nicoloy-sen, a godchild of the queen.

Montreal Canadiens Defeated Calgary Tigers Three to Nil are World Hockey Champs

OTTAWA, March 26.—Defeating the Calgary Tigers here three to nothing in the second game of the finals, the Montreal Canadiens last night captured the Stanley Cup emblematic of world's professional hockey championship.

The victory of the Canadiens last night marked the successful conclusion for them of both semi-finals and finals, all games of which they consistently won.

The Montreal team defeated Vancouver Maroons in the first game of the semi-finals last Tuesday by a score of 3 to 2 and eliminated the Pacific Coast team on Thursday night when they won by 2 to 1. The first game of the finals on Saturday with Calgary Tigers, resulting in a one victory for the Canadiens, gave the latter aggregation preference for the championship and they ended up in form last night.

Both the Vancouver and Calgary teams were apparently at a disadvantage on strange ice and more or less off form as a result of their Trans-canada trips. The Ottawa Senators were last year's holders of the Stanley Cup. Vancouver Maroons and Edmonton Eskimos were in the finals. The Montreal Canadiens have not been in the cup finals for seven years.

EXCHANGE

United States 2 1/2.
Sterling 1.41 5-8.
Hong Kong, 52.20.

Deputy Fire Marshall Makes Provision for Safety in all Buildings of public nature

After spending several days here on general inspection duties, A. A. MacDonald, deputy fire marshal for the province, finds that many buildings in Prince Rupert will have to have changes and alterations effected to bring them under the requirements of the Fire Marshal's Act and provide adequate safety to the public. Notices will later be served through Fire Chief D. H. McDonald, local fire marshal.

In an inspection of the new nurses' home, Mr. MacDonald found that it possessed no fire escapes and that the furnace was in an open basement contrary to statutory requirements. There will also have to be several changes made at the hospital for the safety of the inmates.

The schools, from a fire protection standpoint, Mr. MacDonald found to be adequately equipped. The system of fire drill however, is to be changed on his suggestion from single to double file.

Mr. MacDonald is of the opinion that the size of the fire department is not adequate to the city's needs and, if fire should break out in some of the larger buildings, there might be serious results through the lack of proper equipment such as scaling ladders.

This is Mr. MacDonald's first visit here. Speaking of general prospects, he feels that the city is about to enter into a period of rapid progress and growth. Everything favors the movement of shipping through the port. He leaves tonight for Anyox and Stewart and will be back on Friday to continue his inspection work.

A. C. Devine, manager of the Whalen mill at Swanson Bay, returned south last night on the Camosun after having spent a couple of days in the city on business.

London Strike Goes on Negotiations Failed to Effect Any Settlement

LONDON, March 26.—Negotiations for settlement of the bus and tram workers' strike which had been in progress throughout yesterday under the chairmanship of the minister of labor broke down last night. The deadlock came as a consequence of the refusal of the men to accept the employers' offer of five shillings a week wages increase instead of eight shillings demanded, leaving the additional three shillings to arbitration.

Hon. H. Gosling, minister of transport, introduced into the House of Commons a London traffic bill, the chief provision of which calls for the creation of a statutory committee representing all parties concerned in the strike with the object of reaching an agreement to restrict public vehicles to actual requirements.

WOULD SEND TELEGRAMS SUPPORT FRED STORK

An informal meeting of a dozen or so heavily interested citizens of Prince Rupert in the Central Hotel last night decided to suggest to the Daily News that every public or private board, club and lodge in the city send individual telegrams to Fred Stork, M.P., to strengthen his hand in the fight he is making at Ottawa for an elevator and other port development here. It was pointed out that the cost would be small to each organization and the display of united front which would result might be of much assistance to Mr. Stork in further representations he may make. It was suggested that the effort be not confined to the city but to the district as a whole.

GOVERNMENT CREAMERY FOR PEACE RIVER IS ANNOUNCED BY BARROW

VICTORIA, March 26.—Convinced that dairying is the real solution of the problems of the Peace River district, the provincial department of agriculture is establishing a community creamery at a central point between Pouce Coupe and Rolla, Hon. E. D. Barrow, minister of agriculture announces. Machinery for the creamery has been shipped into Pouce Coupe to be installed during the next few weeks.

JAPANESE STEAMER SANK IN COLLISION

LONDON, March 26.—A message to Lloyd's reports that the Japanese steamship Tokufuku Maru sank after colliding with the German steamer Heimdal near Dungeness in a dense fog. Twenty-three members of the crew are missing and fifteen were rescued.

FOURTEEN YEAR OLD BOY HANGS HIMSELF

MONTREAL, March 26.—Hanging from a rope tied to a nail in the bathroom fourteen year old Philippe Rioux was found dead by his mother who could give no motive for his rash act except the influence of the movies.

Joseph H. Rogers of the Prince Rupert Bi-Products Co., sailed last night on the Camosun for Victoria.

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EASY MONEY CARPENTIER

Bout With Tom Gibbons Arranged to Take Place on Fourth of July

CHICAGO, March 26.—Tom Gibbons is matched to meet Georges Carpentier in a ten round no-decision bout on July 4 either at Michigan City or Benton Harbor. Carpentier is guaranteed \$70,000 with the privilege of taking instead 25 per cent of the receipts. Gibbons has accepted a flat 30 per cent of the receipts.

TOKIO SUBURB IS DESTROYED

TOKIO, March 26.—Six hundred houses were burned today by a fire which swept Sooshigaya, a suburb of Tokio. Twenty persons were injured and 3,000 are homeless.

ROY FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPION OF CANADA

TORONTO, March 26.—Kid Roy of Montreal regained the featherweight championship of Canada winning the decision in a ten round bout against Benny Gould of New York, a former Toronto newsboy.

BRITISH FLEET NOT ABLE TO COME HERE

Board of Trade Receives Letter From Secretary to First Lord of the Admiralty

A letter received by the Board of Trade from the secretary of the First Lord of the Admiralty, the London, England, expresses regret that the fleet will be unable to call here on the voyage the German steamer Heimdal around the world and states that near Dungeness in a dense fog. Twenty-three members of the crew are missing and fifteen were rescued.

MONEY IS VOTED FOR BUYING UNION CLUB

OTTAWA, March 26.—The House of Commons yesterday voted \$1,300,000 for the purchase of the Union Club building in Trafalgar Square, London, to be used as Canada House.

AIRPLANE DESCENDED RESULT OF FOG

HAVRE, March 26.—The Mac-laren round the world airplane descended here yesterday afternoon owing to fog.