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SERIOUS DISTURBANCE IN CENTRAL RUSSIA CAMPAIGN FOR FUNDS SUCCESSFUL, NEW PLACE OF WORSHIP NOW ASSURED

Communist Activities are to be Checked by Former Czarist Heads

LONDON, Feb. 7.—A Reuters despatch says there are serious disturbances in the Kharkov district of Russia. Commissar Boluareff, with a considerable military force, is said to be supporting insurgents whose banners read "Long life to the Soviet government with Communist Dictatorship." Explosions followed by fire destroyed a large part of the munition plants at Tula. A Moscow despatch says that the military authorities, incensed by the political proclivities of the new officers in the district, have decided to reappoint former Czarist officers.

SENSATION IN GREAT BRITAIN

Lloyd George Hints That There
Was Secret Pact Between
France and U.S.

FRANCE DENIES IT

LONDON, Feb. 7.—Newspapers here are promulgating a sensational statement by Lloyd George given out in an interview on Sunday that an agreement existed between Woodrow Wilson and Clemenceau regarding French occupation of Rhineland of which Lloyd George was unaware until the French government sought permission to publish the document.

The British foreign office throws cold water on the statement, saying they believe the original Lloyd George statement had been much exaggerated.

Premier Ramsay MacDonald has written Premier Poincare expressing regret for the incident.

PARIS, Feb. 7.—The foreign office here denies the existence of a secret pact between this country and the United States. The French government knows of no document to which the insinuations of Lloyd George would apply. "If Lloyd George will produce the agreement between Wilson and me, I will pay the reparations," said Clemenceau.

Lloyd George Denies

LONDON, Feb. 7.—A despatch from Lloyd George's Surrey home claims that he will publish a full reply to the interview regarding the Rhineland pact which he never gave. The ex-premier states that the correspondent who cabled to America was confused by a private conversation with him.

AGED METLAKATLA WOMAN PASSED AWAY

Mother of Capt. Herbert Clifton
Died at Native Village Yesterday

Mrs. Clifton, aged mother of Capt. Herbert Clifton, former master of the tug McGulloch, passed away at Metlakatla yesterday. Burial will take place at the village, a casket having been shipped across by the B.C. Undertakers.

RUSSIA WILL ATTEND NAVAL CONFERENCE

GENEVA, Feb. 7.—Russia has notified the League of Nations of her acceptance of an invitation to attend a naval conference at Rome on February 14 for the extension of the principles of the Washington naval treaty with other powers.

THIRTY MILLION REVENUE WANTED IN COMING YEAR

That Is Ambition of Sir Henry
Thornton as Stated in
Radio Talk

MONTREAL, Feb. 7.—The necessity of treating the traveling public with all courtesy and respect and of placing their comfort before all other considerations was stressed in an address by Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railways, broadcasted by radio last night from station CHYC, Montreal. Owing to the absence from the city of Sir Henry, the message was delivered for him by W. D. Robb, vice-president. The occasion was the third of the radio programs to be broadcast from Montreal by the Canadian National Railways, the address of Sir Henry being the only speech on last night's program. The remainder consisted of instrumental and vocal selections by prominent artists of the city.

In his address, which was more in the nature of a chat with system employees, Sir Henry stated that while the net earnings by Canadian National Railways last year were a little more than twenty million dollars, they wanted thirty million net this year. Given a luck and the support of all employees, he had no fears of the result.

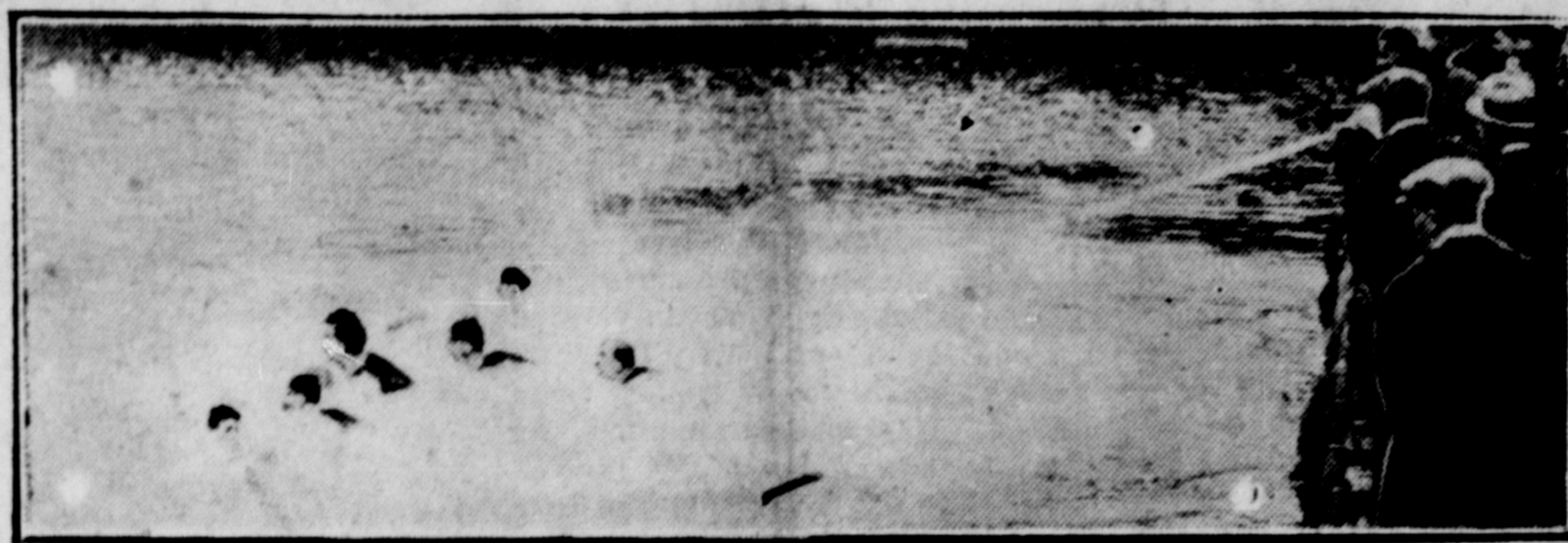
NAVAL PROGRAM OF FRANCE EXTENSIVE

Will Have Nine Battleships and
Fourteen Cruisers in About
Year

PARIS, Feb. 7.—When France completes the reduction of the first section of her naval program, elaborated in conformity with the Washington disarmament agreement, the fleet of the republic will consist of nine battleships, 14 destroyers, 60 torpedo boats and destroyers, and 64 submarines. This will be done by the spring of 1926.

Of the nine battleships, however, two are now obsolete and are not even today carried in the parliamentary reports as effective weapons of offense. Six of the 14 cruisers will have passed the age limit, and 17 torpedo boats and destroyers are admitted by naval experts to be unequal to the task that would be allotted to them in present naval warfare. Twenty of the submarines which saw service during the late war, according to a parliamentary report, would be useless.

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Hardy Greeks of New York braved the icy waters of the bay to recover a cross cast on the waters by a priest. This is an ancient Greek ceremony said to be adhered to throughout the world.

LIMITED GROUP LATEST POLICY

Railway to Place Settlers on
Land in Such Way as to be
Attractive and Beneficial

MONTREAL, Feb. 7.—Considerable interest is being expressed in Great Britain in the colonization plans of the Canadian National Railways according to a report from W. J. Black, minister of colonization and development of the National system in London, England. The report, which was received today by W. D. Robb, vice president in charge of colonization and development, sets forth that a great many inquiries have been received at the London office since Dr. Black returned there last month and that the policy of limited group settlement appears to be appealing quite strongly to prospective settlers.

The limited group policy of the Canadian National Railways has been drawn up to prevent large communities difficult to assimilate into the national life of Canada being formed but at the same time to permit of the settlement of sufficient numbers of the same race of people in a community to give them freedom of religious and social exercise according to their custom.

Dr. Black has practically completed his organization and expects to send large numbers of adaptable immigrants to Canada during the coming year in connection with immigration from the United States.

An interesting statement was made by J. E. Laforce, general agent of colonization and development of the Canadian National railways at Boston. Mr. Laforce, who was in Montreal yesterday states that on an average 150 families of French Canadians are returning to Canada from the New England states weekly. This movement has been going on since the first of the year and considerable increase is expected with the arrival of spring. The majority of these families are settling again in the province of Quebec.

PRINCE ALBERT BACK TO VANCOUVER AFTER ANOTHER BOOZE TRIP

The Western Freighters' whiskey steamer Prince Albert, formerly of the C.N.R. coastwise service, returned to Vancouver last week after another successful run towards Mexico with spirits and beer. The Albert will sail south again with another precious cargo as soon as some repairs have been effected.

WOMAN GOES TO SCAFFOLD

Mrs. Katherine Tratch of
Saskatchewan to Hang
For Murder

PRINCE ALBERT, Feb. 7.—Found guilty of murdering her husband in the Fish Creek district on October 19, Mrs. Katherine Tratch last night was sentenced to hang on May 20. According to Mrs. Tratch's confession to the police she was persuaded to poison her husband by another man whom she loved.

FISH ARRIVALS

Four Halibut Schooners Marketed
25,600 Pounds at Exchange
This Morning

Four halibut schooners marketed catches totalling 25,600 pounds at the Fish Exchange this morning. Two boats were American and two Canadians.

Arrivals and sales:

American
Forward, 10,000 pounds, at 20c and 8c, and Crescent, 1,000 pounds, at 19.1c and 8c, to the Allin Fisheries.

Canadian
Livingstone, 10,000 pounds, at 19.9c and 8c, to Cold Storage.
Hancock, 1,600 pounds, at 19.4c and 8c, to Allin Fisheries.

VANCOUVER MAN GETS RESULTS BY ADVERTISING HERE

The following unsolicited letter came in the mail last night:

1326 Granville St.,
Vancouver, B.C.
Jan. 31, 1924.
The Daily News,
Prince Rupert, B.C.
Gentlemen:
I wish to pay a warm tribute to the results I got from advertising in your paper. I wished to get in touch with a gentleman and the only clue as to his whereabouts was he was known to have transacted some business with a Prince Rupert bank in 1918. So I inserted an ad. in your paper and today I received a letter from the gentleman who is now residing as far away from Prince Rupert as Malibu, Washington (near Seattle). I heartily thank your paper for its assistance in my successful search.
Yours faithfully,
H. J. FRANKLIN.

WILL COMPLETE NURSES' HOME

Rotary Club Committee Appointed
to Provide Ways and Means
For Financing Project

At the meeting of the Rotary Club today, President H. R. Grant in the chair, it was decided to guarantee a sum up to one thousand dollars for the purpose of finishing five rooms on the third storey of the Nurses' Home and a committee was appointed to find ways and means of raising the money.

It was felt by members of the club that all had contributed more or less to the original building, doing their share with the rest of the community. For that reason they did not think they should again assess themselves for the full cost of the work. Instead of that the committee will arrange for some entertainment program that it is thought will appeal to the public and by means of which the cash will be raised.

The matter was discussed at some length and the decision to proceed was unanimous. The directors of the hospital will now be able to let the contract for the completion of the building with the guarantee that the money will be forthcoming in the near future. The directors have assured the club that the accommodation at the home is badly needed and that in no way could the club serve the public better than in having this work go ahead.

The committee to devise ways and means is composed of J. W. Nicholls and C. H. Orme.

WOULD DISARM STILL FURTHER

Premier Macdonald in Favor of
Another Conference Like
Washington Parley

LONDON, Feb. 7.—Prime Minister Macdonald would welcome the calling of another convention similar to the Washington conference having as its objective further diminution of the naval and military equipments of the world. He stated so this afternoon.

EX-PRESIDENT TAFT IS CONFINED TO BED

Suffered an Attack of Indigestion
Yesterday and is Ordered by
Doctors to Take Rest

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Chief Justice William H. Taft, ex-president of the United States, who suffered an attack of indigestion yesterday, has been ordered by his physicians to take a complete rest for a few days. He passed a restful night but is still in bed.

New Presbyterian Church will be Erected; Tenders to be Called for Building Soon as Possible

The campaign for funds conducted during the past three days having been highly successful, the erection of a new Presbyterian Church in the city is now assured. Excavation of the lots just west of the present building will commence at once. Plans for the proposed \$25,000 building of frame construction and cement foundation will be perfected immediately and tenders called for putting it up at the earliest possible date. Before the end of the year, the Presbyterian congregation will be housed in an edifice the need for which has been so long felt.

The whirlwind campaign came to a close last night with the canvassing committees reporting a total of \$9,732 already raised. Owing to the shortness of the time it was impossible to see all prospective contributors but it is confidently expected that the total will reach \$12,000. The balance required to erect the church will be advanced by the General Assembly on loan.

To mark the end of the campaign, a congregational rally was held last night in the church hall. George H. Munro, chairman of the board of managers, presided and besides himself the speakers of the evening were F. G. Dawson, Fred Stork, M.P., Rev. Dr. H. R. Grant and Mrs. R. M. Taylor, president of the Ladies' Aid. The splendid and generous spirit with which the canvassers had been received by the contributors was appreciatively commented upon by all. Great enthusiasm prevailed. Refreshments were served.

CAPTAIN COURAGE HAS BEEN ARRESTED

Charged with Violation of Fisheries Act; Refused to Stop
When Fired On

NANAIMO, Feb. 7.—Alleged to have been in command of the fishing craft Siloam, fired on by the government fisheries boat Malaspina, April 25, after her crew had refused to stop, the firing resulting in the fatal wounding of the steward while the captain and crew successfully escaped to shore in a small boat, Captain J. Courage is in the Nanaimo city jail. He was brought over from the west coast by Constable Woods of the provincial police, after being arrested at the Kildonan cannery. Captain Courage is charged with a violation of section 47 of the fisheries act, and it is understood, will be turned over to the fisheries department. The authorities could find no trace of the captain and crew of the Siloam, which was captured just off Solander island, and it was only with the greatest difficulty that she was beached, the crew having scuttled her.

BIG STANDARD OIL TANKER IS DUE TO ARRIVE THIS WEEK

The Standard oil tanker Hanna A. Shorkey and infant daughter is due here this week from San Francisco with 45,000 barrels of fuel oil for the Imperial Oil Co.'s local tanks. This will be the first call here of the Hanna which is one of the Standard Oil Co.'s largest tank ships. It is understood she will be the largest tanker ever to enter Prince Rupert Harbor. She is making another British Columbia call en route north.

BIRTH

A son was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on February 6 to Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Wearmouth, Smith Apartments.

GRAIN MARKET IN VANCOUVER

Interests in Southern City Pressing
For Reforms to Existing
Regulations

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7.—The creation of grain inspection facilities at Vancouver with the ultimate object of establishing a primary or cash grain market here was the announced objective of Vancouver interests when they prepared to lay a series of demands before the Canada Grain Board. Harbor commissioners, elevator officials and grain men declare they will press for changes in the regulations of the grain trade which they deem inadequate and antiquated.

LOG SCALING IN JANUARY

P. S. Bonney, District Forester,
Announces Total of 5,777,174
Board Feet

According to the report of P. S. Bonney, district forester, log scaling in Prince Rupert district during the month of January totalled 5,777,174 board feet marking a falling off from the corresponding month last year. Lineal feet of poles recorded totalled 350, cedar piles 350; railway ties, 4,823 and pulpwood, 147 3-8 cords.

Per species the log scaling for the month was classified as follows:

	Board feet
Douglas fir	21,074
Red cedar	334,134
Coast spruce	2,940,365
Hemlock	1,871,170
Balsam	146,586
Cypress	3,517
Interior spruce	156,952
Cottonwood	6,046

MRS. SHORKEY AND DAUGHTER INTERRED

Funeral Took Place This Afternoon From B.C. Undertakers
to Fairview Cemetery

The funeral of the late Mrs. J. A. Shorkey and infant daughter took place from the B.C. Undertakers' Chapel to Fairview Cemetery this afternoon. Archdeacon G. A. Rix officiating. Arrangements were in the hands of the Great Veterans' Association of which Mr. Shorkey is a member.

The pallbearers were Sergeant Jebson, C. L. Youngman, J. Tait, W. H. Waldorf, Ernest Fenelon and C. Thompson.

There were floral offerings from Mr. and Mrs. N. Mussallam, Mr. and Mrs. T. Ross Mackay, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Thams, Mr. and Mrs. Rastall and the Great War Veterans' Association.