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## MINERS REFUSE ACCEPT PROPOSED TERMS

### GERMAN PROPOSALS TO RESTRICT USE OF DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN WAR

#### British Miners Refuse Accept Terms Proposed for Strike Settlement

LONDON, May 1.—The national conference of miners' delegates rejected the government's proposals for a settlement of the miners' strike yesterday. The resolution adopted stated: "We are unable to recommend that the miners accept Premier Baldwin's proposals for a reduction of wages which do not at the present time provide for a decent standard of living."

#### HEAVY DAMAGE FROM STORM AT PRINCE GEORGE

PRINCE GEORGE, May 21.—The death and heavy damage resulted from a severe storm which swept this portion of British Columbia Wednesday afternoon, assuming the proportions of a tornado at Prince George for 20 minutes. Nelson, a pioneer farmer in the Pineview district near here, was almost instantly killed when pinned beneath a falling tree trunk.

#### DEPUTY GOES UP FOR YEAR

EDMONTON, May 21.—Ray Winters, deputy returning officer for McLeod River polling place in the Peace River election, is riding in the federal election as sentenced to a year's imprisonment with hard labor yesterday when he was found guilty in charges of initialling papers reporting to be ballot papers and of putting unauthorized ballot papers in boxes.

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#### CANADIANS SHOULD SEE OWN COUNTRY

CALGARY, May 21.—When the richness of Atholl visited Banff he was greatly impressed with the bungalow camp idea through the mountains. "I cannot understand," said the Duchess, "why Canadians do not travel more in their own country. Many visit Europe but it is astounding how few have first hand knowledge of their own glorious country."



**RAID GANG HAUNTS: NOT ALONE CHICAGO RENDEZVOUS** for the gangs but also country towns of Cook county are being culled in an endeavor by the police to stem the crime wave, the latest episode of which was the machine-gun murder of the "hanging prosecutor." Photo shows the scene outside a Cicero, Ill., hotel, where the round-up netted 15 gangsters and a quantity of ammunition.

#### GRAHAM FOR WASHINGTON

Possibility Yet That Chairman of Tariff Commission May Get Position

OTTAWA, May 21.—There is reason to believe that Right Hon. George P. Graham, chairman of the recently created Advisory Tariff Board, may yet accept the post of Canadian Minister to Washington.

As a result of his visit to the United States capital, it is understood that some of the obstacles in the way of Mr. Graham's acceptance of that post have been removed.

It has frequently been stated, and is no secret, that Mr. Graham's objections to the position were purely personal and domestic. They are, it is rumored, no insuperable, however, and the social and other public obligations of the incumbent of that position, which has never been filled, are regarded as somewhat exaggerated.

In the government circles, and among those who are interested in seeing the position given "a good start," it is contended that Mr. Graham is the logical selection as the first appointee, and it would not be surprising if further insistence by the government upon his acceptance were rewarded.

#### AVIATOR WAS BILL MCCOY

Man Who Failed to Arrive at Ketchikan is Noted Rum Runner Three Times Arrested

SEATTLE, May 21.—Interest in the search for M. B. Favor, the Seattle aviator who planned to fly direct to Ketchikan and who has not yet arrived there, increased today when federal officials learned that the man is known to them as Bill McCoy, three times arrested for smuggling liquor into the United States from Canada and now at liberty under bond following a plea of guilty here on May 3.

#### More Activity Than Ever Before Seen in West by Vice-President Hungerford, Canadian National

WINNIPEG, MAY 21.—"In all the years I have been travelling over the prairies I never saw so much activity on the land as I did on my way west this time," stated S. J. Hungerford, vice-president in charge of operation of the Canadian National Railways, who reached here this morning, after an extensive tour of inspection of the system's western lines.

Prospects throughout the entire territory are excellent, according to Mr. Hungerford, who states that business generally is bigger than since before the war and there is a disposition to embark on new business ventures.

Speaking of British Columbia, he said the indications were that there would be the largest fruit crop this season ever known there, also that a heavy volume of lumber business is being done via the Panama Canal to Europe and points on the eastern coast of North America.

C. P. Brown, chief engineer, and W. A. Kingsland, general manager of western lines, arrived with Mr. Hungerford who will remain in the city until Sunday, when he will leave for the east via Duluth and Chicago.

#### ELIMINATE WAR HORROR

Former German Ambassador Makes Proposals to Reduce War to Sporting Event

GENEVA, May 21.—Concrete proposals to forbid the use of airplanes and poison gas in warfare and to suppress heavy artillery and tanks were put forward by Germany at a session of the preparatory disarmament commission. Von Bernstorff, former United States ambassador to the United States presented the proposals.

#### SMALL FISH SALE ON EXCHANGE TODAY

Two Trips of Salmon Changed Hands at 13c and 3c; Halibut 14c and 15c

The fish sale on exchange today was small, there being only one American boat selling at 14.30c and 7c and two Canadians 14c and 15.20c, and 7c and 8c. Salmon sold at 13c for reds and 3c for whites. Arrivals were: American—Chelsea, 45,000, to Cold Storage. Canadian—Mab, 18,000, to Allin Fisheries; Velna R., 2,550, to Allin Fisheries. Salmon—Tekla, 1,500 reds and 300 whites, to Cold Storage; Hippo, 2,500 reds and 100 whites, to Allin Fisheries.

#### Africa Free as Great Britain Declares General Hertzog, Head of Nationalist Party in Africa

Country Free to Secede if She Should be so Stupid as to do so, Declares Prime Minister of Union

CAPETOWN, May 21.—General Hertzog, the Prime Minister, in a long statement on the international status of the Union in the House of Assembly, declared that he had always taken up the position that the Union had secured complete international status equal to that of any other dominion or any part of the British Empire.

"In that respect," he said, "I contend that we are as free and as independent as Great Britain herself. On that point there is no difference between us, but there is a difference between us as to what is meant by this free, complete, and independent status. My contention is and has always been that we are in a position of absolute equality even with Great Britain and even in regard to the question of secession, but we know that in practice we have a great deal to achieve and to acquire, and we know that General Smuts at all times has been busy trying to acquire these full rights and to exercise these full rights. Would be Unwise. "We know," he continued, "there are some of these rights which we could and might exercise, whereas there are others—the right of secession, for instance—which it would be very unwise and ill-advised for us to exercise except by deviation through the agency and means of Great Britain herself."

General Hertzog gave as an example the case of diplomatic representation. It would be foolish, he declared, for South Africa to appoint her own ambassadors, although, at the same time, it might be wise and politic where necessary to have her own ambassador or her own representative. He agreed that they should not try to undertake more than they could carry, but where today Great Britain carried many things on their behalf they should, where opportunity offered and their interests demanded it, be ready to take over their own duties and responsibilities. That was unquestionably, he declared, one of the first and weightiest problems to be dealt with by the Imperial Conference.

Perfectly Frank "If we want to remain on a friendly footing" the Premier continued, "with each part of the British Empire, or whatever you call it, then it is essential that we should thoroughly and openly state what the position is. There is nothing to hide or to be afraid of, and that is where I differ from General Smuts. "I say we are absolutely free and untrammelled, absolutely independent, just as free as Great Britain herself, and if we should be so stupid as to do so we are free to secede."

#### WAS HE BURIED AND YET ALIVE

Insurance Company Pays Amount of Policies on Supposed Death and Then Man Turns Up

SARNIA, May 21.—There is an interesting insurance case here in which after the burial of the husband, the wife collected the insurance money. Then, Enoch Arden-like, the husband again appeared and the company that paid over the money is taking steps to recover it.

Adelard Lebert is supposed to be resting in the Sarnia cemetery and his widow is now Mrs. Manley. Two policies of insurances were paid to her from the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey, who have recently learned that Lebert is alive and well and living at Stony Point, Ontario. They are preparing to sue the lady for the return of the money.

#### PETE LATZO IS FIGHT VICTOR

Beats Mickey Walker and Wins Welterweight Championship, Getting Unanimous Decision

SCRANTON, Pa., May 21.—Pete Latzo of Scranton, secured the world's welterweight championship last night when he won the judge's decision in a ten-round match with Mickey Walker, titleholder for the past four years.

Latzo received the unanimous decision of two judges after the battle which was bitterly fought all the way, the result of one of the most sensational upsets in ring history.

Walker had decisively beaten Latzo two years ago and was a two to one favorite when he entered the ring.

#### FERTILIZER PLANT BALTIMORE BURNED

BALTIMORE, May 21.—Fire wrecked the fertilizer plant of Griffith and Boy and the Summers Company at Canton today. The loss is about half a million dollars.

#### ARMY OFFICER RELEASED

PEKIN, May 21.—Captain Thomas Betts of the United States army attached to the American legation here was released by bandits who made him captive in Uman province on May 17.

Among the Terrace visitors to the city today is V. S. Moore, registered at the Prince Rupert hotel.

#### FISHERMAN CONVICTED

Leonard Tyree of Seattle Guilty of Manslaughter for Killing Partner

SEATTLE, May 21.—Leonard Tyree, a fisherman, was convicted of manslaughter by a jury here today in connection with the death of his partner, Thornwell Shellhorn, a former resident of Medicine Hat, aboard their gasboat "Ethel" on Lake Union here on February 8.

Tyree said he thought Shellhorn with a rifle threatened to abuse him and also threatened his life.