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BRITISH CRITICISM OF POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES

Condition of King is Little Changed Today Following a Setback

Late Bulletin Indicates a Less Favorable Condition With Higher Temperature but Strength Is Still Maintained

LONDON, Dec. 5.—At 8:15 this evening a bulletin from the King's physicians said: "Although the King had a quiet day, his temperature has risen to a point higher than at the same time last night, showing that a recrudescence of the infection is still active.

The strength of the monarch is maintained.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—An anxious public learned today when a medical bulletin on the condition of King George was issued that His Majesty was suffering from renewed activity of the infection in his chest which was previously reported to be improved. This, the bulletin stated, was what caused the disturbance in temperature which was noted yesterday. There was a measure of relief, however, in the announcement that there were reasons for hoping that this recrudescence was being moderated and that the night had been a fairly comfortable one for the King. There was nothing specific in the bulletin regarding His Majesty's temperature, nor was anything said as to how his heart was reacting to the long strain.

Buckingham Palace quarters regarded the morning report as favorable and it was said that the recrudescence of infection causing yesterday's rise in temperature was considered part of the ordinary course of the King's illness. It was understood in Buckingham Palace circles this afternoon that the King's condition was unchanged.

There was a somewhat more hopeful view of the King's condition late last night, when it was understood that, as a result of natural sleep obtained, he was actually better and stronger than either on Sunday or Monday.

Today's Bulletin

The morning bulletin today of the King's physicians was as follows:

"The King has passed a fair night. There are reasons to hope that the recrudescence of the infection which caused the last rise of temperature is being moderated."

INTERIOR COLD SPELL BROKEN

No Zero Weather Reported Today Following Readings of as Low as 29 Below on Tuesday

All along the line weather was much milder this morning, no point reporting lower than zero temperature, according to daily weather reports of the Canadian National Railways. Yesterday morning, very cold weather was reported generally, the lowest thermometer reading having been 29 degrees below zero in the Endako district.

PRAIRIE COLD SPELL ENDING

WINNIPEG, Dec. 5. — The prairie cold spell showed signs of easing today, with Edmonton and Calgary reporting 24 and 30 degrees above zero, Regina 12 degrees below, and Winnipeg two degrees below.

GERMAN STEAMER RESCUES BRITISH

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The German steamer Uarda today reported that she was rescuing the crew of the British tanker "British Courage," which was on fire in the eastern Mediterranean.

MRS. NORTHCOTT LEAVES FOR STATES TO ANSWER CHARGE

CALGARY, Alta., Dec. 5:—Mrs. Louisa Northcott left here last night in the custody of Sheriff and Mrs. Sweeters of Riverside California, for Vancouver enroute to California where Mrs. Northcott is charged with being implicated in the "chicken ranch" murders.

PLEADED NOT GUILTY TODAY

Northcott Ignores Confessions When He Appears In Court

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—Gordon Stewart Northcott pleaded not guilty and denied all confessions when he appeared in the Riverside superior court to face charges of the murdering of four boys. Visibly taken aback by Northcott's abrupt face-about and the changed demeanor of the youth, who an hour before had appeared a trembling weakling, the officers brought Northcott back to his cell in the Los Angeles county jail.

WEATHER REPORT

Prince Rupert, cloudy, calm, temperature 44.

SHORTAGE OF GRAIN SHIPS

Listing Light Both For Prince Rupert and Vancouver, No Word of Next Boat Here

There seems to be a general shortage of grain boats on the Pacific Coats just now. Listings for Vancouver are light and it is possible there may be no further boats here to load for a week or so

Meanwhile, grain is moving steadily in from the prairies to the local elevator which may be full again before any boats come to load. Overnight, sixty cars of wheat arrived and this morning there were reported to be 380 carloads of grain on the territory west of Jasper Park bound here.

CONSTABLE WILL BE IN HOSPITAL SOME TIME AFTER FIGHT

Inspector William Spiller, provincial police, returned to the city on last night's train from Hazelton where he made an investigation of the circumstances surrounding the assault there last Saturday by two Indians of Constable George Wyman. The officer, who was badly shaken up in the encounter, is now in hospital and will not be out for about ten days, it is expected. The two natives were captured after the fight by citizens and are being held in custody pending the recovery of the constable when they will go on trial. Constable O. L. Hall is relieving at Hazelton until Constable Wyman's recovery.

ACTING FOR KING GEORGE

Council of State Signs Documents Today, Thus Carrying on Government

LONDON, Dec. 5:—Letters patent under seal in connection with yesterday's appointment of six councillors of state have been sealed and today Queen Mary, the Duke of York and Premier Baldwin, as members of the commission, signed several documents which have accumulated during the King's illness.

ST. ANDREW'S TEA AND SALE SUCCESS

Many Ladies Attended Function Yesterday Afternoon, Assistants and Raffle Winners

The tea and sale held yesterday by the Ladies' Auxiliary to St. Andrew's Society was a very successful affair, both socially and financially.

Among the assistants were Mrs. George Scott at the candy table and Mrs. D. C. Stuart, Mrs. S. Morin and Mrs. Robert Wiggins in the tea room.

Raffle winners were: Mrs. George Geddes, Pyrex plate; Bob Irvine, box of apples, and Mrs. D. C. Stuart, cushion.

THE OLD AND THE NEW

Above is a photograph of the retiring President of the United States, Calvin Coolidge, and the new President, Herbert Hoover, standing side by side. The picture was taken exactly a week before the elections, when President Coolidge wished Mr. Hoover success in his great presidential fight against Governor Al Smith of New York State.

British Field Marshal Criticizes Imperialistic Tendencies of States as Indicated by Public Utterances

LONDON, Dec. 5. — Field Marshal Sir William Robertson, former chief of general staff, in addressing the League of Nations Union gathering, said the United States, "influenced by imperialistic tendencies, means, no matter what happens, to go on increasing her navy. Her official utterances on the question of armaments not infrequently bear a close resemblance to Germany's claims previous to the tragedy of 1914."

THIRTY PROMINENT CANADIANS ARE INDICTED BY GRAND JURY CONSPIRACY TO SMUGGLE LIQUOR INTO STATES

BUFFALO, Dc. 5.—Thirty Canadians were indicted by the federal grand jury here for conspiracy to smuggle liquor into the United States. The men cannot be arrested unless they enter the United States. Among the indicted are Harry C. Hotch, chairman of the board of directors of Gooderham & Worts, Ltd., of Toronto, and Hiram Walker Company of Windsor; Edward T. Sandem, president of Taylor & Bate, brewers, St. Catharines; Herbert T. Hatch and Larry J. McGuiness, members of the liquor brokerage firm of Hatch & McGuiness.

COL. SIMPSON DIES WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG, Dec. 5:—Lt. Col. William John Simpson O. B. E. is dead following an attack of pneumonia. He was born in Ontario in 1868, was formerly chief purchasing agent at Canadian headquarters overseas and later, director of contracts. After the armistice he was the director of sales, disposing of the Canadian government stores remaining in England.

A profit of $1,000,000 was shown in motor transport sales alone.

FRED SCADDEN NAMED MOOSE LEGION HERDER

Elected to Succeed Thor Johnson Who is Believed to Have Been Drowned

At a meeting last night of the Prince Rupert Moose Legion, Fred Scadden was elected to the office of herder in succession to Thor Johnson, who is believed to have been drowned last week. A vote of sympathy was passed for conveyance to the widow and stepson.

The Legion decided to hold its annual ball on January 25. Alois Ohnesorg, great north moose, presided.

Conservative Leader Appeals to Victoria Electors for Plunkett

Urges That Economic Independence for Canada Is Great Question of Day and People Had to Decide by Their Votes

VICTORIA, Dec. 5.—The creation of economic independence for Canada was urged in an address here last night by Conservative Leader Bennett, who was speaking in the interests of D. B. Plunkett, Conservative candidate in the federal by-election.

Mr. Bennett appealed to the citizens of the country to solve the problems, which, he declared, must be faced if the Dominion was to become economically independent. He also referred to the prosperity of the country, and said that he rejoiced in this, but claimed that an analysis of the sources from which it sprang showed other than a healthy condition in looking to the future greatness of the Dominion.

The Conservative leader said he was appealing for the future. It was, he said, a question as to whether the young people of the country should remain and develop the Dominion or go to a foreign country. It was, he declared, a question as to whether they should follow the raw materials to foreign country and become citizens of that country. There was, he continued, a sharp division of opinion between the two parties in Canada on these matters and the appeal now being made was for a decision as to which opinion should prevail.

"Vote for national life of Canada," Mr. Bennett urged, in appealing for the election of Mr. Plunkett.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

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The following quotations were bid and asked.

Bayview, 3, 4.
B. C. Silver, 1.25, 1.40.
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Cork Province, 25, 26.
Cotton Belt, 50, 60.
Dunwell, 11, Nil.
Duthie, 80, 82.
George Copper, 5.25, 5.60.
Georgia River, 29, 30.
Golconda, 75, 75½.
Grandview, 56, 56½.
Independence, 9¼, 10.
Indian, 4, Nil.
Inter. Coal & Coke, 35, 35½.
Kootenay Florence, 20, 20½.
Kootenay King, 29½, 30.
L. & L., 6¼, 6⅝.
Lakeview, Nil, 1½.
Lucky Jim, 25, Nil.
Marmot Metals, 8½, 9.
Marmot Riv Gold, 6¾, 7.
Mohawk, 6, 6¼.
National Silver, 18½, 19.
Noble Five, 50, 51.
Pend Oreille, 10.25, 10.60.
Pioneer, Nil, 1.88.
Porter Idaho, 60, 61.
Rufus Argenta, 20, 24.
Ruth Hope, 55, 56.
Silver Crest, 6¾, 7.
Silverado, 65, Nil.
Sunlock, 2.25, 2.40.
Topley Richfield, 45, 46.
Toric, 3.45, 3.50.
Wellington, 17½, 18.
Whitewater, 1.20, 1.25.
Woodbine, 4½, 5¼.
Noranda, 59.25, Nil.
Fabyon, 5, 5¼.

NEW TRIAL IN MURDER CASE

Vernon Booher Gets Another Chance for His Life on Charge of Killing

EDMONTON, Dec. 5.—The conviction of Vernon Booher, sentenced to hang December 15 for the murder of his mother, brother and two hired men near Mannville last July, was quashed by the appellate division of the Supreme Court of Alberta yesterday and a new trial will probably be held in January.

The conviction was quashed on the ground that the crown prosecutor elicited from Inspector Hancock of the Alberta provincial police a statement that had been ruled out in Booher's confession of the murders.

EXHIBITIONS JOIN FORCES

VICTORIA, Dec. 5.—Representatives of the Vancouver and New Westminster conference here agreed that the annual fairs of both cities be merged into a joint British Columbia exhibition. Terms and location of the fair to be considered at a future conference.

XMAS DINNER FUND OPENED

The Christmas Dinner fund sponsored by the Salvation Army is opened in a small way today but it is hoped it will mount up rapidly.

The Army officers are making investigation now as to what families will be in need and so far a rough estimate of the amount of money required is from two hundred to two hundred and fifty dollars.

Following are the donors to date

A Friend, $1.00.
"In His Name," $2.00.
Daily News, $5.00.

PIONEER DIES

VANCOUVER, Dec. 5.—Thomas Kernighan, a pioneer of the city, 75 years of age, died here today.