

ASSEMBLY CALLED TO ADOPT POLICY FOR A UNITED IRELAND

Michael Collins, on Behalf of Provisional Government, Makes an Effort to Overcome the Deadlock on the Boundary Question.

A despatch from Dublin says:—On behalf of the Provisional Government, Michael Collins on Friday published the terms of the proposal for calling a constituent assembly. The call declares "that recognizing the changed circumstances arising from recent events, all the parliamentary representatives of the whole of Ireland shall be called together to adopt a policy and frame a constitution for our common country." This unexpected bid for national unity was hastened by the Collins-Craig split on Thursday over the question of a new boundary for the Northern counties. The deadlock between Craig and Collins confronted the Provisional Government with the necessity of re-imposing the economic boycott against Ulster, but before acting they have preferred to make another effort to unite the North and South under a common government. Collins disclosed in the official statement, the course which his discussion with Craig took. He cites the article of the treaty providing for the appointment of a boundary commission of three members to delimit the Northern area, according to the wishes of the people, and adds: "Our aim was that clear majorities must rule. We anti-partitionists gain the whole of Fermanagh and Tyrone and very large areas in Down, Derry and Armagh Counties, while in other areas of Antrim and Belfast there are large majorities of our people.

"These are facts and we can only come to an agreement on recognition of facts. We are now giving the peace policy a decent chance. It would obviously be better for us to agree to a boundary than to have the chairman of a commission of three impose a boundary by casting a vote. "Craig has emphasized that the abiding historical and sentimental attachment of his people for such places as Derry and Enniskillen is no less strong and deep and heartfelt than is the attachment and love of our people for these same places, and indeed for places in Antrim, Down and Armagh, where we sit now in the minority. "What will bring the salvation of peace is that the Orange Protestant and the Nationalist Catholic shall be friends of the same state. "This can only be achieved in a united Ireland. "Such a proposal made to Premier Craig, with the full knowledge and authority of the provisional Government, is the action which we believe will find the solution. It is made in a spirit of good-will and in the light of the imminent departure of the British forces from three-fourths of Ireland." After disclosing his plan for the constituent assembly, Collins adds: "The alternative is the resumption of the old disturbances, the old conflicts and the old animosities. "The present may be our golden opportunity for ending them."



Sir Ernest Shackleton's wife and two pretty children.

Dominion House Meets on March Eighth

A despatch from Ottawa says:—Parliament will be summoned to meet on Wednesday, March 8, it was announced, following Thursday's meeting of the Cabinet Council, which lasted until after 7 o'clock in the evening. The first day's business will be limited to the election of a Speaker, while the formal opening, with the delivery of the speech from the throne, will take place on Thursday, the following day.

Discovery of New Dyes.

Two new dyes—one a beautiful blue, the other a shade of rose—have been isolated by Professor Maitland C. Boswell of the University of Toronto in his research laboratory. With few of his advanced students the professor is now engaged, during such spare hours as he can muster, in investigating the most suitable conditions under which these new dyes can be applied to the various textile fibres. The professor states that the popular idea that Germany possesses "secrets" in regard to the production of dyes is a fallacy. German scientists have no such "secrets," though German manufacturers may have special processes by means of which they place dyes on the market at a specially low price. Professor Boswell is secretary of the School of Engineering Research of the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering, University of Toronto, and has been engaged for some years past in research work on various dye problems. His latest discovery is just another illustration of the effect on the national life of the complex work of the provincial university.

Death Toll of Babies in Cities of the World

A despatch from London says:—Christiania, capital of Norway, in the matter of the death rate of babies, stands first among the cities of the world, according to latest figures issued by the Registrar-General. The infantile mortality per 1,000 is only 33. London's rate is 93. The highest in Great Britain is that of Wigan, an industrial town in Lancashire, 125. Berlin's rate is 146, while those of New York and Chicago are unofficially reported at 97 and 111. No city has such a record as Bombay, India, where, according to official figures, 630 babies out of every 1,000 die before they reach the age of 12 months.

They can conquer who believe they can.—Virgil.

STERLING EXCHANGE IS STILL MOUNTING

Showing Britain's Gradual Return to Pre-War Conditions. A despatch from New York says:—Britain's gradual recovery to normal or pre-war conditions is forcibly illustrated in the recent upward course of her foreign exchanges. Two years ago—February 4, 1920—demand bills on London suffered their most disastrous collapse in this market with all other international currencies, falling to the unprecedentedly low quotation of \$3.19. To-day, on the continuance of a ten-day advance, and on buying which shows no trace of foreign origin, the same bills found ready sale at \$4.30. This marks a recovery in the two years of almost \$1.12 in the pound sterling, but is still far below the price of \$4.86%, at which this form of exchange ruled before the opening of the world war.

PRINCESS MARY TO RENOUNCE HER RANK

H.R.H. Also to Give Up All Right of Succession to Throne. A despatch from London says:—By her marriage to Viscount Lascelles, Princess Mary renounces her royal rank and all claim forever to her right of succession to the British throne. This was learned on Thursday from a source intimately connected with court circles. In the marriage contract which will be signed the day before the wedding by the King, Princess Mary, Earl Harwood and Viscount Lascelles, a clause has been inserted to this effect: While the possibilities of Princess Mary succeeding to the throne is remote, her children might do so, but the clause now makes such an event impossible.

Bury Shackleton at Gate of Antarctica

A despatch from London says:—The body of Sir Ernest Shackleton, which is now at Montevideo, Uruguay, will be taken back to South Georgia Island, to be buried there, according to the Daily Mail. This decision, the Mail attributes to Lady Shackleton's deference to what she believes would have been the explorer's wishes. Shackleton's grave, therefore, will probably be beside the English church at Gryvicken.

ARMS CONFERENCE COMES TO AN END

Delegates Attach Signatures to Five Treaties.

Washington, Feb. 6.—The grand finale of the Washington conference on limitation of armaments and Pacific and Far Eastern questions was staged in Continental Memorial Hall on Monday. The delegates attached their signatures to five treaties and listened to a speech of benediction by President Harding. There are two copies of each of the five treaties, one copy of each in English and one copy in French, the two official languages of the conference. This makes ten copies. The original copies will be filed away in the archives of the State Department and certified copies supplied to each of the signatory powers. The five treaties are:—The Five-Power Naval Limitation Treaty. The Five-Power Submarine and Gas Treaty. The Four-Power Pact supplemental to the Four-Power Pacific Treaty, signed December 13, excluding the Japanese mainland from the original pact. The Nine-Power Treaty embracing a general policy to be pursued towards China. The Nine-Power Treaty dealing with the Chinese Tariff. Secretary Hughes, as chairman of the American delegation, was the first to sign each treaty and Captain de Vasconcelos, of the Portuguese delegation affixed the last signature to the last of the pacts. The Five-Power treaties were signed by the delegates of the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan, and the Nine-Power engagements by the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, China, Portugal and Belgium.

BRITISH TOY PLANTS COMPELLED TO CLOSE

Unable to Carry on Under German Competition.

A despatch from London says:—Serious complaints of the effects of post-war German competition on the business of the British toy manufacturers were presented on Friday at a sitting of the committee, which is empowered under the Safeguarding of Industries Act to make adjustments. An effort is being made by the manufacturers to secure the imposition of an extra customs duty of 33-1-3 per cent. ad valorem owing to the depreciated state of the currency in the country of origin. It was stated by the committee that of the 300 plants in Great Britain making toys in 1919, 80 plants had closed down and many others were operating only on a limited scale. The number of employees had been reduced from 40,000 to 20,000. The collapse of the exchange, it was held, gave the Germans an unfair advantage as compared with conditions which enabled British makers to successfully compete in pre-war times. The deputation gave a number of examples showing the disparity in costs of British and German production.



Question Wisdom of His Offer.

Lord Atholstan, of Montreal, who has offered £20,000 to the University graduate of any city who will discover a cure for cancer within the next five years. The wisdom of his offer is questioned by prominent English medical authorities, who declare that the best way to stimulate the discovery of a cure would be to assist institutions already carrying out laborious and expensive investigations.



Who has assumed command of the Quest and the Antarctic expedition undertaken by the late Sir Ernest Shackleton, in accordance with a written agreement between Sir Ernest and himself to the effect that if Sir Ernest should die, he should carry on.

Japan and China Sign Shantung Pact

Washington, Feb. 5.—The treaty between Japan and China embodying the settlement of the Shantung controversy was signed late yesterday in the Hall of the Americas, at the Pan-American Union, by representatives of the two powers. Attendant upon the signing were the Right Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, head of the British arms delegation, and Secretary Hughes, whose good offices, together with the intercession of President Harding, brought about the settlement. The treaty comprises 28 articles and six annexes. Japan agrees, under article 1, "to restore to China the former German leased territory of Kiao Chow," and in the subsequent articles and annexes, provides for the details of the restoration.

Wireless Bulletins on Weather to French Farms

Paris, Feb. 5.—Every farmer within range who has gone to the expense of installing a wireless telephone apparatus, will be told by the Eiffel Tower to-morrow what the weather is likely to be on the following day. Each day at 4.30 meteorological bulletins will be available for the farmers, enabling them to plan their next day's work. The call will be sounded to Mayoral offices, so that farmers without the instruments may call to gather in the information.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE IN BRITAIN

Epidemic Has Caused \$2,500,000 Loss to Date in Live Stock.

London, Feb. 5.—Fresh outbreaks of the dreaded foot and mouth disease were reported to-day. The whole area of Great Britain is included in the range of the disease and the total number of farms infected being put at 369. The loss in live stock to date on account of the epidemic is put at more than \$2,500,000. Outbreaks were reported over the week-end from Norfolk and Essex, which are far distant from the originally infected areas. The Ministry of Agriculture has now taken drastic steps to combat the disease by dividing the entire country into five areas whose boundaries cattle are not allowed to cross.

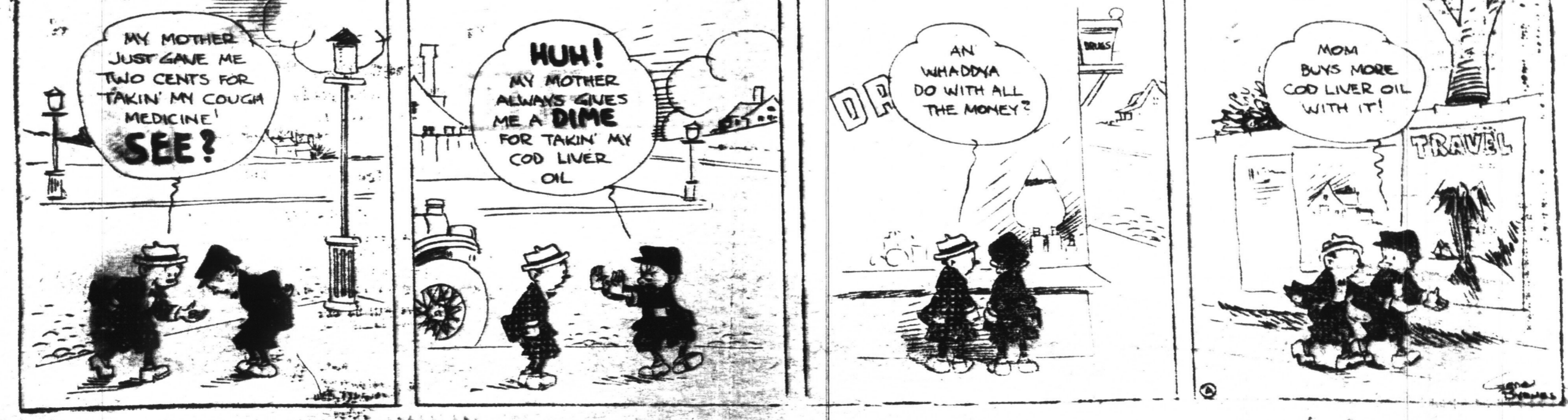
SWIFT REBUILDING OF ARDENNES TOWN

Mezieres "Adopted" by Manchester, England, Quickly Reconstructed. Paris, Feb. 5.—Practical application of the principle of the Wiesbaden agreement was seen in the following illustration in Mezieres, in the Ardennes. The city of Manchester, in England, "adopted" this devastated town and subscribed about \$8,000 for it. The Mayor of the town ordered out of Germany a quantity of half-constructed houses in wood and cement, which Germany holds ready to deliver in enormous numbers when France is ready for them. He also requested German workmen. As a result, the town has been reconstructed so swiftly as to be described as the work of fairies. This illustration has made a big impression, and there is a demand that other devastated towns adopt similar schemes.

Glands Grafted Upon an Epileptic

New York, Feb. 5.—Edward Parsons, a perfect specimen of physical manhood, was electrocuted in Sing Sing on Friday, January 13, for the murder of a taxi driver. Following the execution, glands were removed from his body, and on January 21 grafted upon George Hauser, an epileptic. Already the defective man has shown remarkable signs of improvement, according to the operating surgeon.

REGLAR FELLERS—By Gene Byrnes



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