

e l. The heartfelt sympathy of the Canadian people goes out to the American nation in its great loss.

New York, Aug. 3rd.—Owing to the death of President Harding all Stock Exchanges and all other principal markets are closed.

Toronto, Aug. 3rd.—The bereavement that has visited their neighbor over the line has touched the heart-strings of Canada as well and today from one end of the Dominion to the other there are manifestations of sorrow for the passing of President Harding. All day a stream of messages of sympathy have been flowing across the border from Federal and Provincial Premiers, official and unofficial leaders in the life of the country and from the heads of the Municipal Governments. In dozens of cities, large as well as small, and from ocean to ocean, flags on public buildings are flying at half mast and Mayors have voiced their personal, as well as the general feeling of loss in the passing of the man who, while engrossed in the vast concerns of his own nation, found the time and inclination to pay his neighbours a friendly visit. The friendly tone of President Harding's words when in Vancouver last week caught the imagination of Canadians in a striking manner, as was made evident by the comment at the time of Canadian public men and newspapers and therefore the telegrams of sympathy now going to Mrs. Harding, or to Washington, are not empty formalities, but expressions from the heart of the people. All leading Canadian newspapers today bear editorial witness to the sense of loss felt in the Dominion, and refer in words of kindness and respect to the great American who has passed from the scene.

Ottawa, Aug. 3rd.—Lord Byng Vimy, Governor General of Canada, sent the following message of condolence to Mrs. Warren Harding today. "Please accept the deepest sympathy of myself and Lady Byng in the sad loss of your husband, President Harding." It was announced tonight that the Canadian Govt. was sending President Calvin Coolidge, through the usual diplomatic channels, a formal message of condolence in the republic's loss of its chief executive.

Ryde Isle of Wright, Aug. 3rd.—The yacht races, in the contest for the British American Cup, have been postponed owing to the death of President Harding.

London, Aug. 3rd.—Mr. Baldwin, the Prime Minister, was greatly concerned to learn of the death of President Harding, whom he met on his recent visit to the United States in connection with the funding of the British debt. Mr. Baldwin immediately sent a message of sympathy to Mrs. Harding.

London, Aug. 2nd.—Mr. Baldwin tonight informed the House of Commons that Lord Robert Cecil would be the Chief Delegate for Great Britain at the

forthcoming meeting of the Assembly of the League of Nations.

London, Aug. 2nd.—Mr. Baldwin joined with Lord Curzon in informing Parliament today that the reply by France and Belgium to the British reparations note seemed to hold out no prospect of a settlement of the Ruhr situation in the near future, nor the opening of a discussion regarding reparations.

London, Aug. 2nd.—Dublin despatches to some of the morning newspapers assert that the Irish Free State will release all prisoners in accordance with yesterday's ruling of the Court of Appeals and will then re-arrest them under the new Public Safety Act, which the Dail passed last evening. This measure provides that the Government may continue to hold prisoners charged with active opposition to the Free State.

Harbin, China, Aug. 2nd.—Concerted action has been taken by the British, United States, French and Japanese Consuls here to protest against the seizure of the Chinese Eastern Railway land department by Chang Bo Lin, the War Lord of Manchuria, who ordered all the railways lands ceded to Russia under the old treaties to be taken over by his provincial government. The foreign consuls, viewing the seizure of the land department as a direct violation of the Washington enactments, placed their official seals on a chest containing deeds to railway lands. After meeting to discuss the defense of foreign interests, the Consuls telegraphed their diplomatic representatives at Peking. The situation has been further complicated by Chang Bo Lin ordering Chang Hikin Siang, the new head of the railway land department to open publicly this afternoon the sealed chest containing the land deeds. Representatives of the railway shareholders, the board of directors and foreign banks have registered a protest against the War Lord's action. In addition, the Russian press here is ignoring the orders of the Chinese authorities not to print the news of the land department embroglio.

London, Aug. 1st.—Great Britain has discovered what is said to be a precedent established by the United States herself, which it is claimed here supports the contention that British ships should be permitted to enter United States ports with liquor under seal. This cropped up in the House of Commons today in the usual list of questions and answers concerning prohibition. Sir William Davidson asked Mr. Ronald McNeill, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, whether, in connection with the refusal of the Government of the United States to allow liquor to remain under seal in British ships in United States ports, the attention of that Government had been called to a despatch forwarded by the United States Government some years ago to the Spanish Government, which, while admitting the legal right of every nation to prescribe the conditions under which

foreign vessels should be admitted to their ports, laid it down that these conditions must not conflict with well known and well established usages regulating commercial intercourse between civilized nations, which could not be violated without giving just cause of complaint to nations whose interests would be affected by their violation. Sir William said this despatch is quoted in international law and the Under-Secretary replied that it certainly seemed to afford a precedent which might be followed, adding that the advisability of calling the attention of the United States Government to the matter was receiving consideration. Members also interested themselves in the disposition of the liquor seized, whether it was destroyed, or is being held until the matter is settled. "I have not myself", replied the Under-Secretary, "taken sufficient interest in the fate of the liquor to ascertain", this evoked cheers and laughter.

Deauville, France, August 2nd.—The French tennis players by completing their defeat of Spain in the finals of the European Zone of the Davis Cup tournament, have earned the right to travel to the United States to meet the winner of the Australia-Japan finals of the American Zone Championship, to determine what nation is to oppose the United States in the challenge round.

New York, Aug. 2nd.—Early disappearance of the skidding German mark from the financial horizon of the world and substitution of a new currency on a gold basis was predicted by John Foster Dulles, noted economist, and former member of the United States Peace Mission at Versailles, upon his arrival from Europe yesterday on the Majestic. General conditions in Germany, Mr. Dulles said, were appalling and he could see no way out for her, save the reorganization of her finances. If the mark was eliminated, he said, the outstanding issue probably would be redeemed in the new money at current rates.

New York, Aug. 2nd.—French and Belgian francs established new low records for the year in today's foreign exchange market, as a result of Mr. Baldwin's speech to the House of Commons in which he asserted there was no hope of Great Britain reaching an early agreement with France and Belgium on German reparations. French francs dropped five points, to 457½. German marks and other exchanges also lost ground.

London, Aug. 2nd.—Italy's written reply to the British reparations communication arrived in London today, after Mr. Baldwin's speech had been delivered. A cabinet council was held in the Premier's room after the House rose to consider further the Government's policy and arrange plans for the holding of another council during the recess, in the event of M. Poincare making a further communication.