

Ontario's New Prime Minister

Ernest Charles Drury, who is likely to be Ontario's next Premier, farms 250 acres at Crown Hill. Crown Hill is one of those little places that lost its postoffice when rural mail routes were organized, but it is about five miles from Barrie on the "Penetang" road. Two hundred acres of Mr. Drury's possessions were selected and pioneered by Mr. Drury's great-grandfather in 1819, and have been in



E. C. Drury, who has been chosen leader of the United Farmers-Labor parties in Ontario.

possession of the family ever since. The new Leader is a good, practical farmer, with the added advantage of a course at the Guelph College and the degree of B.S.A. He hasn't specialized in his farming to any great extent, though perhaps he takes more pride in his herd of dual-purpose Shorthorns than in anything else. Of late years he has given much attention to the U.F.O. movement, with particular relation to the tariff. Always he has been active in the community life at Crown Hill. The fact that the church and the school are almost at his door made easy his attendance at these meeting places.

The new Leader is a little over forty years of age, is strong and well built, and has a determined look. His family consists of wife and five children, three boys and two girls. His eldest son will be able to run the farm while father runs the politics of the Province. In religion Mr. Drury is a Methodist.

DIVIDE REMAINING GERMAN WARSHIPS

Majority to Go to France and Italy, Consent of Allies.

A despatch from Paris says:—The Germans must make reparation for the destruction of the Scapa Flow fleet, but this must be paid in other naval material or in property of the German Government which otherwise would not be subject to reparations.

This is the decision of the Supreme Council after hearing reports on the matter, these reports holding Germany responsible for the sinking.

In this connection it is learned that the United States and Great Britain are about to consent that the remaining German warships shall be divided instead of being destroyed, the majority going to France and Italy. This represents a victory for the French.

British Manufacturers Plan To Increase Production

A despatch from London says:—The Midland manufacturers, in conference, are taking great interest in the problem of how best to increase production. One scheme submitted involves notifying employes of the decrease in output. If no improvement is noted after ten days the Board of Trade might be called upon to make an investigation. If in this event the employes are found responsible, it is suggested that a fine of £50 sterling be enforced. If, on the other hand, the decrease in output is due to slackness on the part of the employes, it is planned that a fair percentage, in accordance with the decrease, be deducted from their wages. The scheme also proposes that the employer reward employes substantially for any suggestion which may lead to production being increased.

Unique Gift to Prince From Montreal Hebrews

A despatch from Montreal says:—Gifts of many kinds have been presented to the Prince of Wales during his tour of the Dominion, but one that differed from the rest was that presented to him during his visit to the Baron de Hirsch Institute. A tablet of gold, on which were carved the Ten Commandments, was presented to the Prince, the tablet being handed to him by Sylvia Lillian Cohen, the nine-year-old daughter of Mr. Lyon Cohen. The commandments were in Hebrew characters, but the words "Presented to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales from the Jewish citizens of Montreal" were in English.

CANADIAN EGGS ON LONDON MARKET

Throngs of Citizens Feast Eyes on Shipment of Rare Food.

A despatch from London says:—A throng of Londoners round the Canadian Government shop in Charing Cross on Friday feasted ravished eyes on a window full of magnificent Canadian eggs. In the good old days eggs and bacon was the world-renowned breakfast of the Englishman. That was before eggs rose to 11 cents apiece and promptly disappeared from currency—an economic cataclysm which cast a gloom on the Englishman's

whole existence, and must be held to account in some degree for the prevailing unrest. In the announcement, attached to the astonishing eggs, that "Canada will ship six million dozen eggs to Great Britain this year" the Londoner, weary of the Food Controller's manna, caught the first glimpse of the post-war land of promise.

Payments Made Russia By Britain in Two Years

A despatch from London says:—Cecil Harmsworth, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons, said that Constantin Nabokoff, who represented Russia at London, had received from Great Britain, between March, 1917, and March, 1919, when payments ceased, more than £184,000,000.

Sugar Shortage May Become More Acute

A despatch from Ottawa says:—The sugar shortage in Canada promises to become more acute, owing to non-arrival of raw sugar, consequent on the longshoremen's strike at New York. The Canadian Trade Commission has taken a firm stand against further export of sugar, and also advises that as a temporary measure, the demand for sugar for domestic use should be met by the refiners before the manufacturers of products containing sugar are supplied.

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High Prices For Canadian War Goods

A despatch from London says:—Dealers and the general public are very keen to get hold of surplus Canadian military stores. A five-day sale, including a varied assortment of 2,400 lots, realized £3,300. Some prices obtained were phenomenal. Canadian grey blankets, costing 29 shillings a pair new, sold for 19 shillings a pair after four years' wear. Tools brought higher prices than the original cost. New boots fetched 21 shillings a pair. Repaired pairs went at 11 shillings. Repaired boots, not guaranteed, made 5 shillings 9 pence. Much used typewriters—128 Underwoods—realized 20 per cent. over cost. The highest price obtained was £25.

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