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THIRD SECTION

Ottawa Glimpses

BY H. F. GADSBY

Ottawa, Aug. 25.—Although nine amendments were proposed and rejected the Conscription Bill slipped through the Senate smoothly enough.

One amendment was accepted which shows the way the wind blows. It was a Government amendment and was introduced by Sir James Loughheed who is the Government leader in the Upper House.

This means that the provincial authorities cannot discipline refractory persons under the Military Service Act, but that all cases must be referred to the powers at Ottawa. That is to say, if twenty thousand or thirty thousand or one hundred thousand persons selectively conscripted choose to declare that they will not serve, nobody can proceed against them until the Minister of Justice for Canada gives permission.

Critics of the Government say that this amendment proves the Government has no intention of enforcing the Act drastically either in Quebec or anywhere else. On the contrary there is every reason to believe that the Government is backing away from the consequences and that the Military Service Act is to be used merely as a stuffed club. It will look fierce enough, but it will always bend in the middle as the blow descends.

Staunch friends of conscription on both sides of politics deplore this lack of sincerity on the part of the Government. Although the Government had suspected as much from the dilatory apparatus with which the Act is provided—the elaborate machinery of the exemption tribunals for example. If the exemption tribunals perform in the attitude of the Liberal Opposition. It is a party manoeuvre pure and simple and the reinforcements it brings are intended for the Borden Government.

Meanwhile the Military Service Act has every outward aspect of sternness. It has more than that. It has a far clause for the Press which vies with anything the great despot in history could conceive. Russia under the Caesars never had a harsher press censorship than this one of Arthur Meighen's can be if the Borden Government so chooses. It is as deep as well and as wide as a church door, and it will swallow naughty editors like flies. This gag clause is such that if a newspaper opens its mouth to criticize the Government or the operation of the Military Service Act ever so remotely the newspaper may be suspended and the editor thrown into jail from two to five years. Some Senators breathed a sigh of relief when the gag clause was wide enough to include campaign speeches and prevent members of Parliament from repeating on the stump the truth they were privileged to tell on the floor of the House.

Whereupon Sir James Loughheed shrugged his shoulders and hoped that they would "express their opinions frankly." Sir James probably regards the gag clause as another bluff—something to scare the bystanders but not meant for real

use. Some persons have been unkind enough to say that the Military Service Act is built on that principle all through. Its bark is very savage but its bite has no teeth in it.

The Military Service Act is now law. That is to say, it is on the statute book, and all it awaits is the word of the Government for its enforcement. Quebec is almost desolate under the prospect. Sir Wilfrid Laurier tells his fellow countrymen to obey the law and Sir Lomer Gouin reiterates the good advice. The position of these two great statesmen is sound. The law is the law even if it is disagreeable to minorities.

Conjecture is rife as to when the Borden Government intends to bring the Act into force, do the conscripting and set up the exemption tribunals. Will it be before the general election? Or what is more to the point, will it be before the harvest? The Ontario Government is clamoring for ten thousand men to work in the fields. The north-west wants thirty thousand more. If one hundred thousand men are shifted from this country to the battlefields of Europe how is the agricultural industry of Canada going to supply their places? How is Canada going to produce more food to send overseas to the Allies at Food Controller Hanna wants us to do? No doubt the Borden Government will take these matters into account in carrying out the Act.

Another point which must be troubling the Government is the pay and upkeep of one hundred thousand men which amounts, roughly speaking, to one hundred million dollars a year. Finance Minister White finds it increasingly difficult to borrow money. Canada is spending \$850,000 a day on the war now. The new levy of one hundred thousand men will bring our outlay on war up to a round million dollars a day.

It has been suggested that the Government save money by dropping hundreds of ornamental officers from the pay roll, but so far they show no disposition to do this. According to Sir Edward Kemp's own figures, seventy-six thousand unfits have been let out. Most of these unfits were on the pay roll for a year or over. The waste of money from this cause probably aggregates a hundred million dollars or more. Sir Edward Kemp also revealed the fact that there are 142,000 Canadian soldiers in France. One hundred thousand able-bodied Canadian soldiers in England, and 22,000 in Canada. In other words there are nearly as many Canadian soldiers in reserve in England and in this country as there are in the war areas of Europe. Another hundred thousand will make the reserve about double the number at the front. Meanwhile recruiting progresses at the rate of 4,257 a month, which is 500 more than the casualties for the same time.

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Passports signed by Swedish diplomatic or consular officials with photographs attached will be required after September 1st for entrance into Sweden.

Between 1,000 and 10,000 men are fighting forest fires in Washington, Western Montana, Idaho, and Oregon. Timber men said the fire situation is the worst in twenty years.

Mrs. Minnie Lyon of Beverton, was fatally shot when her young brother and sister, in the mother's absence, were having target practice.

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THOUSANDS OF MEN

Required For Harvesting in Western Canada.

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The Man on Watch

They say lightning never strikes in the same place, but St. Mary's tower is the exception.

As such a small proportion of the people go to church these days the burden will fall upon the newspapers of telling what is going on there.

Why should not the golfers have the game even in these times. The Allies are not the only ones who can make drives. The golfers are right there with the goods, too.

"Does the end of the world signify the destruction of the earth?" a preacher asks. If matters is indestructible it does not. It might change the earth.

It will be a long day before the Military College secures another Professor Lanos. Men of his type are rare. Kingston mourns the passing of this son of France, who put honor and duty before health. His death has moved the people greatly.

It has been discovered that the Belgian treaty is not the only "scrap of paper." Canada's naturalization certificate also appears to be a "scrap" when the State Department of this country has not the nerve to stand up and declare that it is good for one hundred cents on the dollar. This Department requires an injection of "pep" or a clean-out.

From Bath Road comes the news that a farmer who went for his cows found a large black bear in the field. The startling piece of news stops right there, as the correspondent does not say what either the bear or the farmer did. No doubt we will hear this in his next report.

The Kingston Bulletin editor declares that if a man is lucky enough to receive a ham sandwich a hunk of meat on a meatless day it is up to him to devour it. Sure enough it is, the Lampman agrees, because if he does not someone else will. This remark, the Lampman of a professional man who sits his bench downtown, and whose household has been observing meatless days for the past year. The head of the house does the same—at home. Downtown he has his chop on the side.

—THE TOWN WATCHMAN.

HARVESTERS! LOOK!

36,000 Farm Laborers Are Wanted in the West.

The Canadian Northern Railway will operate the first excursion train for the West, leaving Toronto Union Depot at 9 a.m. and 10 p.m. August 21st and 10 p.m. August 30th, and running through solid to Winnipeg.

The equipment will consist of electric lighted colonist cars, lunch counter cars, and in addition, the railway will continue their long year's innovation of keeping a special car for the accommodation of single women and families, and of placing it in the train where the occupants will be separated from the other passengers.

The territory served by the Canadian Northern Lines offers the widest choice of employment with high wages, but regardless of where you may locate, remember we give you the best service to Winnipeg; where you will re-purchase to final destination, no matter on what line it may be.

For leaflet showing special train service with dates, number of men required at various points and other information, apply to M. C. Dunn, 217 Princess Street, or General Passenger Department, Canadian Northern Railway, Toronto.

NEAR MAXIMUM STRENGTH.

U.S. Navy Has Passed 140,000 Mark in Recruiting.

Washington, Aug. 24.—The navy has passed the 140,000 mark in recruiting. During the past three days 243 recruits have been retained. This brings the total number of men in the regular naval service to 140,230 men. The authorized maximum enlisted strength of the navy is 150,000 men.

The Navy Department to-day authorized the statement that cooks, bakers and mess attendants are now the particular need of the navy, and the service also requires radio electricians, firemen, machinists' mates, limited number of carpenter's mates, a few hospital corps men and some apprentice seamen. The navy has now stopped enlisting men for the rating of yeomen, blacksmiths, boiler makers, shipwrights, shop fitters, printers, painters and general electricians.

A recent intensive recruiting campaign provided the navy with a sufficient number of musicians to put bands of 25 pieces on the principal vessels, and to place nearly 500 men in training for musicians. Recruits for the naval hospital corps have been coming in at the rate of about 125 men a month, and only a few more are needed.

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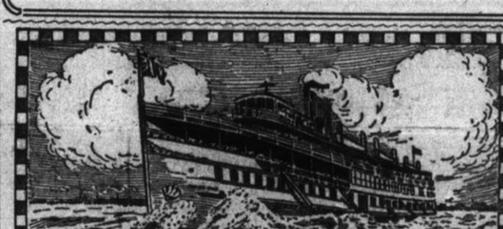
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