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BOARD OF WORKS BLUNDER OVER AN ASPHALT TENDER

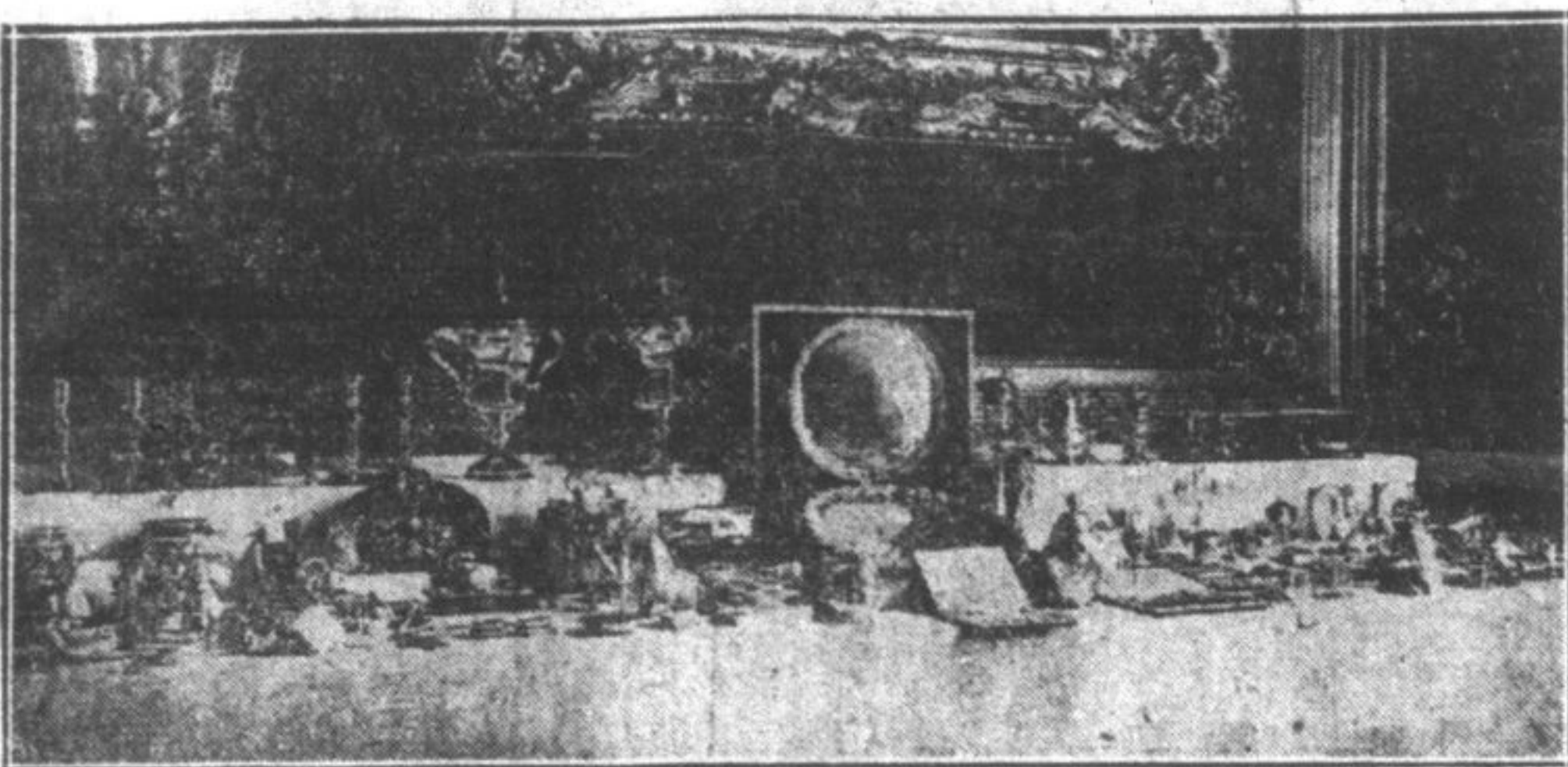
It Gave the Award to An American Company When the Imperial Oil Company of Canada Tendered at \$2,916 Less For the Same Material

Something in the nature of a sensation has been caused in Kingston by the action of the Board of Works in awarding the contract for road paving...

of analysis, and also that if the labels were taken off the samples, and if any qualified chemist could tell which was which, he would bear the expense of the test...

Interviews Aldermen. On arriving in the city they called upon the city engineer to ascertain what steps were being taken on receipt of the various tenders...

The Call for Tenders. Around this letter seems to hinge the whole transaction, for on no occasion, as far as can be learned, was ever read to the Board of Works...



PRINCESS PATRICIA'S WEDDING PRESENTS. A view of some of the six hundred presents on view at St. James' Palace, London.

EVACUATE PINSK UNDER PRESSURE

The Polish Forces Have Compelled the Bolsheviki to Retire.

NEARLY ALL UKRAINE HELD

BY THE BOLSHEVIKI—THE FRENCH RETIRE.

The British and French Have Advanced Their Outposts at Cologne and Mayence, Berlin Reports.

Newspapers adds that the French also occupied Rheinau, five miles south of Mannheim and Weihenfelden.

Held by Bolshevists. London, March 20.—Virtually all of Ukraine is now in the hands of the Bolsheviki.

TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS.

To the Proposed Plan of the League of Nations. Paris, March 20.—The meeting of the league of nations' commission will be held at ten o'clock Saturday morning...

HON. W. J. HANNA DEAD.

He Was Formerly Provincial Secretary of Ontario. Toronto, March 20.—Hon. W. J. Hanna, head of the Canadian end of the Standard Oil Company...

Want a Fine Game.

Toronto, March 20.—Secretary W. A. Hewitt, of the Ontario Hockey Association, intimated this morning that the Woodstock, runners-up for the O.H.A. junior championship...

THE WORLD'S TIDINGS IN BRIEF FORM

Tidings From All Over Told in a Pointed and Pithy Way.

Damages in the latest revolt in Berlin will aggregate a million and a half dollars. Hockey: U.T.S., 14; Regina, 3. This game was for the Canadian junior championship.

The date for the election of delegates to the Hungarian national assembly has been fixed for April 13th. General Allenby, commander of the British forces in Egypt, has arrived in Paris to advise the Supreme Council.

A Russian wireless dispatch says non-Bolsheviki forces, having been defeated by Soviet troops, have retired toward Odessa, from north of that city.

At Ottawa on March 19th forty thousand enthusiastic citizens gave a royal welcome to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

Three shillings a week increase and an eight-hour day grant to the British miners, is the final report of the coal commission.

Parliament will take no action in regard to the matter, and the order-in-council which bans racing will be allowed to lapse as soon as peace is officially declared.

Cannot Extend Credits to Canada. London, March 20.—Canada is expected to meet her loans in the British market as they fall due.

THE ESTIMATES IN THE COMMONS

Were Brought Down on Wednesday By Sir Thomas White.

\$30,546,900 FOR HARBORS

THIS SHOULD GIVE A GREAT DEAL OF WORK.

Large Amounts Are Proposed for Soldiers' Aid—The War Expenditures to be Covered by a Special Vote.

The total estimated expenditure is \$437,679,071, an increase of \$137,996,832 over the expenditures of the year which is just closing.

Of the total proposed expenditure \$58,893,551 will be chargeable to capital account and \$31,785,490 to consolidated revenue account.

Very large expenditures are again to be made in connection with railways. The amount to be appropriated is \$50,896,681, which is an increase of over twenty-three million dollars as compared with the current fiscal year.

The estimates tabled are exclusive of war expenditure, which will be covered by a special vote. The amount provided for pensions is slightly over thirty million dollars, an increase of almost four million dollars over the current year.

Miscellaneous public works votes include \$25,000 for a monument to the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier. An additional \$2,000,000 will be voted in connection with the construction of the new Parliament Buildings at Ottawa.

MONTHLY PAY ROLL IN \$12,000,000. Ottawa, March 20.—The paymaster's branch of the M.H.A. Department is at present disbursing \$12,000,000 a month and sending out 300,000 checks of every variety in the same period in the meanwhile new accounts are being opened because of the epidemic of marriages which has struck the overseas camps.

PATRIOTISM AND PELF.

Concealment, Deception and False Testimony Alleged. St. John, N.B., March 20.—The report of Commissioner James McQueen on the patriotic potato transaction and kindred matters was brought down in the legislature at Fredericton.

Commissioner McQueen lays bare every salient feature of the scandals in connection with the patriotic potatoes and the Valley Railway money used in that connection, and quoting at every turn from the sworn testimony the commissioner in his comments and in his findings deals with the conduct of Hon. James A. Murray, Hon. B. F. Smith, Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, George Jones, M.P.P.; William B. Tennant and others, whose evidence was a feature of the inquiry held during last summer.

The commissioner finds that the province sustained a heavy loss, that concealment, deliberate deception, and even false testimony, were features of the case, and he brushes aside the contention that there was no wrong-doing, citing the testimony of leading witnesses to illustrate every step in the conspiracy by which Valley Railway money was switched in the attempt to cover up the potato transaction, and revealing its relation to party politics and party funds.

EVERY QUESTION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS COSTS COUNTRY \$5. London, March 20.—The new House of Commons is proving itself one of the most inquisitive of recent years. This, too, despite the absence of the Irish members who in previous years have filled the question paper with inquiries.

Since the opening of the Parliament the number of questions to ministers has averaged well over 200 and some days has reached nearer 300. As only an hour is allowed each day for the asking and answering of questions, only about a hundred can be dealt with daily, the others being answered in writing.

STINN FEIN CHAIRMAN; HIS IDENTITY STATED. J. K. Foran, House of Commons Staff, Presided at Montreal Meeting.

Ottawa, March 20.—J. K. Foran of the House of Commons staff, was admitted by the Speaker yesterday to be the man who presided at the "Stinn Fein" meeting in Montreal on February 9th. He has been on the staff since 1902, and his salary is \$2,800 per annum.

TO WAIT AND SEE. Will Postpone Prohibition Legislation for a Time. Ottawa, March 20.—The Government legislation validating for the prohibition order-in-council is not likely to be brought down in Parliament for several weeks, or perhaps not till the end of the session.

THINKS HE HAS ENOUGH. "What Do I Want With More Cash?" Asks John D. Jr. Chicago, March 20.—"What do I want with more money—or what does my father want with more?" was the reply of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., yesterday to the charges that the motive back of his support of prohibition was the exploitation of labor.

NOT WEDDED TO GERMAN. Sir Charles Fergusson's Wife Is Earl of Glasgow's Daughter. Halifax, N.S., March 20.—Discussing Col. Peck's reference to the wife of Sir Charles Fergusson, the British general who ordered the Canadians out of bounds at Cologne, as a "woman of Cologne," a correspondent of the Chronicle, signing himself "A first cousin of Sir Charles Fergusson," writes: "Sir Charles Fergusson married Lady Alice Boyle, second daughter of the late Earl of Glasgow, and sister of the present Lord Glasgow."

UNION CAUCUS ON THE TARIFF

The Government is Having a Full Discussion of the Question.

CONCESSION TALKED OF

MAY CUT OFF THE EXTRA 7 1/2 PER CENT.

And Extend the Operation of the Income Tax—No Final Decision Until the Budget Speech is Delivered.

Ottawa, March 20.—The tariff has loomed so prominently in the discussion in Parliament in the past few days as to suggest the probability of something being done in this year's budget beyond what has been anticipated heretofore. The whole situation is being discussed at a ministerial caucus to-day, when both sides will have an opportunity to air their views.

Meanwhile it is learned that the ground is being studied and some possible changes are being considered along lines calculated to grapple with the problem of increased revenue, neutralize the low tariff agitation for the time being, and to do this with the minimum of disturbance to industry.

It is stated around the House in circles that should know about it that a plan being considered is a slight change in the tariff, perhaps by knocking off the extra 7 1/2 per cent. duty, and going over further, and by way of compensation, extending the operation of the income tax so as to reach higher up and lower down, probably on a scale proportionate to the amount of income.

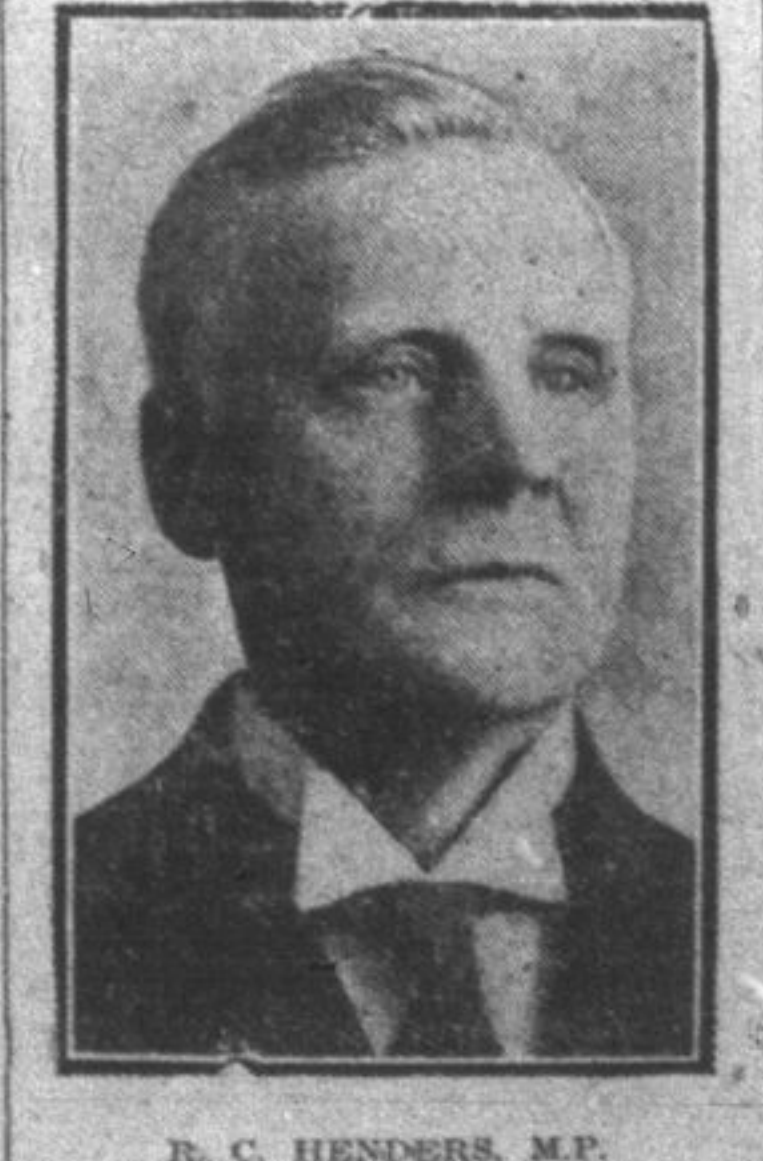
AMERICANS PLANNING FOR ATLANTIC FLIGHT. String of Destroyers 200 Miles Apart to Watch the Seaplane. Washington, March 20.—Plans for a trans-Atlantic flight by an American seaplane are being made, Acting Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt announced to-day. The flight is expected to take place some time after May 1st.

Lieut-Commander Patrick L. Bellingham has been ordered from Norfolk to Washington for work in connection with preparation of plans for the flight, Roosevelt announced. The plans are now to string destroyers along the route of the proposed flight about 200 miles apart. The seaplane, equipped with radio, would be in constant communication with the nearest destroyer. The plane would at all times be within four or five hours of a destroyer, or by constant radio communication instant notice would be given of any mishap, thus insuring virtual safety for the crew and the seaplane.

Grand Trunk Railway System traffic earnings from March 8th to 14th: 1919, \$1,163,337; 1918, \$846,554; increase, \$316,783.

Holland Steps Toward Prohibition. The Hague, March 20.—The Government has instituted a commission to inquire into the possibility of greatly reducing and eventually stopping the distilling of alcoholic beverages for use in Holland. Production for export would still be allowed, and the manufacture of alcohol for industrial purposes would be permitted.

- WHIG CONCERNS. 1—Sensation Over Civil Tenders For Asphalt; Evacuate Pinsk Under Pressure; Estimates of Parliament; Union Caucus on Tariff. 2—Valentine Relief Fund; Incidents of the Day. 3—"Mickey" at the Grand; Napanee Tidings. 4—Editorials; Public Opinion; Walt Mason's Rhythms. 5—Advice Asked As to Tender; Conditions in Cuba. 6—District Tidings; Telegraphic and Local News. 7—Classified Page; Theatre and Other Announcements. 8—Harvey Woods; Arrested; Military; Theatrical. 9—Sunday School Lesson For March 23; Agricultural Council to Meet; War Puzzles. 10—In the Realm of Women; Dates to Remember. 11—Brook's Appliances Co's Advt. 12—Letter Main Service; Bedford Red Cross; Country News. 13—Murray Isle Sued Cheap; Heard on the Radio. 14—Sporting News; Jess Whitard Snagged; Bringing Up Father Cartoon.



R. C. HENDERS, M.P. For MacDonald's Manitoba, who told the Commons that people of the country demand Union Government must stay with its job until they have completed it.