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SHOULD HOLD ON SAYS SIR SAM

Ex-Minister of Militia Advises Premier Borden Not to Resign.

GIVE OLD PARTIES CHANCE

OF RALLYING FORCES AGAINST GRAIN GROWERS AND U.F.O.

Who Have Had Five Years to Organize—Senate Appointments Are Held Up by the Political Situation. (Canadian Press Despatch.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—"In place of retiring, he should get his nerve, divest himself of the whole of the Toronto entourage, which have been an evil influence in the government of Canada, hold on until the close of the term, and so give the old parties a chance of rallying their forces against the Grain Growers and the U.F.O., who have had five years to organize."

This was the advice tendered Premier Borden by Sir Sam Hughes, speaking at the Orange Lodge meeting here.

Senate Appointments Held Up

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—How and when a successor to Sir Robert Borden will be chosen is still undetermined. The Premier himself, although he declines to make any official statement, is, it is understood, taking no active part in the arrangements. A strong wing of the party apparently favors the idea of calling a parliamentary caucus to choose a successor. That this course has not been formally decided is evident from a discussion of the situation with members of the Government at present in Ottawa.

How J. A. Calder, minister of immigration, prominently suggested as a likely successor, is understood to have no personal ambitions in this regard.

As a result of the present situation, three appointments to the senate now pending will probably go over.

MONTREAL STRINGS UP RULES

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Montreal, Dec. 15.—On account of the smallpox epidemic in Ontario, the local health board has issued an order forbidding entrance into the city of people from the neighboring province who cannot prove they have been successfully vaccinated during the past seven years. The order also announces that no one will be allowed to leave Montreal for Ontario points over the Christmas holidays and return here who cannot submit similar proof.

DR. CHOWN REPLIES

Methodist Organization Is for Moral Purposes Only.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Rev. Dr. Chown general superintendent of the Methodist Church in Canada, has made a reply to criticisms indulged in by the Citizens' Liberty League at the provincial convention of the league in this city last week. With reference to a statement made at the convention that Tammany has nothing on Methodist organizations in this country, Dr. Chown says:

"I wish to say that there is not one iota of organization for other than moral or religious purposes in the Methodist Church in any part of Canada. There is no organization whatever to obtain any material advantage from any public body in this country."

Dealing with Liberty Leaguers, deprecatory remarks about his activities, Dr. Chown ironically states: "They propose to begin their long-heralded campaign for liberty by calling into consultation the leading men of some of the churches to get the public has a right to decide within what limits its useful purposes are served."

Caught Foot in Elevator

Brockville, Dec. 15.—It was found necessary to cut away a portion of the elevator at the plant of the Canada Foundries and Forgings to release Lloyd Burns, a timekeeper who accidentally caught his foot between the elevator and the shaft. The limb was terribly crushed, but doctors are hopeful of saving it.

BRITISH TROOPS ARE WIPED OUT

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

London, Dec. 15.—Thirteen hundred British troops in Persia have been wiped out by the hostile population, it is claimed, in Moscow wireless message reaching here to-day. The troops, the despatch says, composed the garrison of the town of Meshked in North-Eastern Persia, north-west of Herat, Afghanistan.

D. W. GRIFFITH, FILM MAGNATE, MISSING

Miami, Fla., Dec. 15.—No information was received on Sunday from David W. Griffith, motion picture producer, and a party of thirty-six persons, mostly movie actors and actresses, who left here early on Wednesday on the yacht Grey Duck, also known as the Rosandra, for Nassau, Bahama Islands, and have not been heard of since.

One theory advanced was that, encountering one of the recent storms, the yacht put in for shelter under the lee shore of an island in the Bahama group.

ELEVEN YEARS OLD, BUT A GANG-LEADER

Youthful Lawbreaker Led Six Older Companions In Crime.

St. Catharines, Dec. 15.—The police have rounded up an organized gang of eleven boys, ranging in age from eleven to fourteen years, the youngest of whom was the leader. Five thefts totalling \$150 in cash were fastened upon the lads by the police, and the leader also confessed that he had attempted to carry out a robbery at the Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto Railway offices, but there were too many people about at the time. To the police the leader said he had planned to rob the Imperial Bank, but when taken into custody he made no attempt to place the blame on the older boys. Ice cream and candy, appeared to be the gang's favorite tipple, though dinners at restaurants, an occasional trip to Niagara Falls, the purchase of toy guns and flashlights made away with some of the cash. The leader and two others were ordered to the Reform School by Magistrate Campbell, and the others will learn their fate next Wednesday evening in the juvenile court, when the magistrate will hear a report on the extent of restitution by the parents. The magistrate after hearing of the doings of the gang announced a change of policy in regard to dismissal on first offences.

PRODUCTION OF COAL APPROACHES NORMAL

The United States Miners Are More Than Turning Out Fuel.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Chicago, Dec. 15.—The production of bituminous coal to-day rapidly approached normal. Throughout the country reports indicated that from ninety to ninety-five per cent. of the miners are either at work or ready to enter the mines as soon as they are ready for operation. Of the large producing fields, those of Indiana appeared to be closest to normal in the matter of coal mined, although from Illinois, Ohio, Tennessee, Pennsylvania and West Virginia came news that showed production well up to the normal. Virtually all restrictions on the use of fuel have been relaxed.

LADY CARRERY WINS SUIT

Amazing Story Told of Peer's Cruel Treatment of Wife.

London, Dec. 15.—Lady Carrery has obtained a divorce from Lord Carrery in the Dublin divorce courts on the grounds of misconduct and cruelty. An amazing story of the young Irish peer's treatment of his girl wife was told in court by Sergeant Sullivan, who represented the petitioner.

He said that after the honeymoon the respondent took his wife to the jungle wilds of East Africa and compelled her to ride horseback for long distances, and the ordeal caused her such pain that she used to throw herself to the ground writhing in agony. She was unattended by any person of her own sex, the only attendants being black boys. In 1915 Carrery again took her to Africa, where he had a large farm, but no house, and compelled her to live with him like a savage in a leaky kraal but. She contracted malaria which affected her hearing. In 1916 they again visited Africa, and lived in a house, which meantime had been built on the farm. On one occasion the respondent lost his temper and beat his wife violently with a whip. No defence was offered to the suit.

NEW GERMAN DELEGATION

Arrives in Paris to Discuss Warship Compensation.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Paris, Dec. 15.—The new German delegation which has come here to discuss compensation for the sinking of the German warships in Scapa Flow, arrived this morning. The delegation consists of Councillor Selinger, of the German foreign ministry; Rudolph Brohm, of the Hamburg shipyard; Councillor Biech, of the ministry of public works; Dr. Fetzer, of the Hamburg American line; Dr. Peters, of the Weser shipyards, representative of the Hamburg Government; and Paul Muller, representing three groups of seamen.

SENTENCE COMMUNISTS

Fourteen Awarded Death Penalty in Budapest.

Budapest, Dec. 15.—Sentencing of the Communists, recently convicted during the Bela Kun dictatorship, began Saturday. Fourteen were sentenced to death by hanging, one to life imprisonment and a large number to terms of various periods at hard labor.

GOES DOWN 380 FEET TO OCEAN'S FLOOR IN NEW DIVING SUIT.



John F. Turner, of Philadelphia, a diver of international reputation, in the newly invented ocean diving suit, in which he went down 380 feet to the ocean's bed. He performed this world's record-breaking feat fifteen miles east of Graves Light, near Boston, Mass. The inventor, Charles H. Jackson, a colored mechanic, is standing to the left of the photograph.

BORDEN SAID TO FAVOR CALDER

As His Successor As Leader of the Unionist Party.

DRAYTON HAS A CHANGE

HE HAS NO POLITICAL PAST TO LIVE DOWN.

The Whole Future of the Unionist Party is Bound Up in the Choice of a New Leader.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Scores of messages are coming to Ottawa to-day, conveying regret that Premier Borden finds it necessary to retire, and expressing eulogy of himself and his work.

It is reported here in well informed circles that the premier has a particularly favorable view of the capacity and ability of J. A. Calder, and is inclined personally to favor his selection. The situation is one where the political past of potential premiers is a big influential factor.

Mr. Calder in his day was a somewhat aggressive Liberal. To what extent that may prove a possible handicap is problematical, but if it had any adverse effect, it applies as well to Mr. Meighen. The latter has been always a tireless worker. He has liked work better than the cultivation of personal popularity. Sir Thomas White stood as high when he was in the government.

The question is whether he will wish to come back, and, if so, whether his retirement will operate against his chances. Sir Henry Drayton has no political past to live down or no sins to answer for, and there are times when such a position is fortunate, particularly where compromise is desired. Mr. Rowell is ambitious, and he has a following. If there is to be a caucus, the make-up of it is interesting.

A Critical Moment.

Out of some 160 Unionist members about 45 are Liberals, a group sufficient to make felt its influence. The whole future of the Unionist party is bound up in the coming choice. If the party is to be continued, a leader acceptable to both of its constituent parts must be chosen. If it is to break up and revert to its original factors, then the predominant wing will be the Conservatives, and the choice of leader may narrow down to Sir Thomas White and Mr. Meighen. As the problem of leadership is great and important, there is a slight suggestion that a permanent leader be not chosen at once, but that pro tem Sir George Foster should succeed Sir Robert and thus round off his long political career.

Undoubtedly a big shake-up is imminent. While dissolution and a general election are not favored, and considered peculiarly inopportune, it is readily realized that any split over the leadership or questions of reconstruction may make

TWO DUTIES ARE NECESSARY DURING CHRISTMAS SEASON

There are two things to do before Christmas. One of these duties is to shop early. The second, and just as important an obligation, is to shop early in the day. The peak of the daily rush in the stores comes late in the day and it means a whole lot for the shopper to pay a visit to a store in the forenoon.

To shop in unhurried comfort is worth something. To have large, freshly-opened assortments of new goods to select from is also worth something.

The early-riser and the early shopper are the ones who will win out in the Christmas activities.

UTILITIES RATES ARE REDUCED

Electricity, Gas And Water To Be Cheaper After January 1st.

GOOD NEWS FOR CONSUMERS

WHO WILL BENEFIT TO THE EXTENT OF \$27,000.

The Commissioners Wants G. Y. Chown to Stand Again—R. F. Elliott Praised for His Work as Chairman.

While most of the commodities are rising in price the Kingston Public Utilities Commission at the close of the year finds its finances in such condition that it is able to make reductions in the rates for electricity gas and water the three products in which it deals. Some time ago, R. F. Elliott, chairman of the Commission announced that before the end of the year there would be reductions in the rates to consumers, and his promise has been carried out. On Monday afternoon, the Commission, which is a very happy little family, held its final meeting of the year, and one of the last things it did was to deal with the rates. After full discussion it unanimously decided to make the following reductions:

Electricity—Ten per cent. reduction in domestic commercial and power (street railway and street lighting not included.)

Gas—Ten per cent. reduction, making the present rate of \$1.50 per thousand cubic feet, \$1.35.

Water—To strike off the closest rate of three dollars a year.

The reductions will total over \$27,000, the Commission thus giving the consumers the advantage of that amount of money next year. The commissioners did not want to go too far in reductions as they have to provide for depreciation, additional maintenance next year and also for accidents. The new rates will take effect the first of January and will appear on the bills payable in February.

Free Water for Schools.

In discussing the water rates, Chairman Elliott favored giving the public, separate and high schools free water for which they now pay \$1,800. He also favored striking off the closest rate. Mayor Newman was inclined to favor a general reduction. Mr. Hewitt favored striking off both closest and bath rates. Mr. Rigney said he would give free water to one. Finally it was decided that the striking off of the closest rate might be all the waterworks could stand at present, as the rates were pretty low anyway.

HUNDREDS OF GALLONS STOLEN

Bonded Cars at Windsor Broken Into by Thieves.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 15.—Extensive thefts of liquor from bonded cars in the Windsor yards of the Grand Trunk Railway are being investigated. During the past three weeks no fewer than five cars have been entered, according to the police. That the organized gang of "dope" smugglers who were responsible for the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs across the international boundary have now turned their attention to rum-running is believed. The quantity of liquor stolen from freight cars in the past few weeks runs into hundreds of gallons, valued at several thousand dollars.

Most of the stolen liquor found its way into Detroit, the police say, and is being smuggled across in automobiles. Increased vigilance by customs officers at Woodward avenue ferry dock has resulted in twelve smugglers being arrested; one of the men had forty-two quarts of Canadian whiskey in his car.

Provincial officers at Windsor and St. N. Messau, license inspectors for Essex County, are co-operating with the United States customs officials in breaking up the gang of liquor thieves and smugglers.

START U. F. CAMPAIGN

Movement for Farmers to Gain Control of Parliament.

Kentville, N.S., Dec. 15.—T. A. Crerar, formerly minister of agriculture in the union government, before a big meeting of the farmers launched a campaign for a dominion-wide contest by the Farmers for control of the next federal parliament. George F. Chipman, who divided the time with Mr. Crerar, said he was confident the farmers would have seventy-five members in the house of commons after the next general elections, and he felt he was putting the estimate low. Hon. Mr. Crerar and Mr. Chapman, each spoke for an hour.

Senator Johnson After Presidency.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California announced formally that he would be a candidate for the Republican nomination for the presidency. The Senator said he would make a personal campaign in every state, explaining that he did not intend to have his candidacy determined by "politicians in convention."

ENOUGH CLINICAL MATERIAL HERE

To Meet the Needs of the Queen's Medical College.

A MEETING OF CITIZENS

TALKED OVER THE MATTER WITH PRINCIPAL TAYLOR.

The City to Be Asked to Build an Infectious Hospital—No Need of Moving Clinical Department to Ottawa.

There was a large attendance of the members of the Board of Trade and citizens on Monday evening to hear Principal Bruce Taylor on some of the problems of Queen's University. The suggested removal of the clinical department of the medical college to Ottawa, which had for some time past been a live issue between the medical faculty and the board of trustees, occupied the greater part of the discussion that followed, and resulted in the board passing a resolution, moved by W. R. Giesens and seconded by James A. Minnes: "Resolved, that it is the sense of this meeting of the members of the Board of Trade and citizens of Kingston that every effort should be made to retain Queen's Medical College in Kingston for the full medical term, and that the citizens here present pledge themselves to render all possible assistance to achieve this desired end, and urge upon the City Council the necessity of extending such financial assistance as may be necessary to accomplish this purpose; that a joint committee, to be composed of the Finance Committee of the City Council and the Council of the Board of Trade be charged with the prosecution of this matter; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the special committee of Queen's trustees, now dealing with the question and also to the City Council."

Refors. Dr. Taylor was introduced, Elmer Davis, vice-president, who occupied the chair in the absence of J. M. Campbell, said that Mr. Campbell was in Montreal, acting on behalf of the city in an important matter, and incidentally told of his devotion to the city's interests. He had spent the whole of the past ten days attending conferences and committee meetings in Toronto, Montreal and other points for the city, and was deserving of the highest praise for his energy and devotion.

A LARGE MEASURE OF SELF-GOVERNMENT

Curzon Explains What Milner's Mission Will Do For Egypt.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Great Britain's plans for establishing a constitutional form of government in Egypt are set forth in an official statement made by Earl Curzon, the British minister of foreign affairs, which has been received here. The objects of Milner's mission in Egypt are described in the statement. The British foreign secretary announces that it is the intention of the British government to establish the largest measure of self-government for which Egypt is believed capable at this time. He states that the Milner mission is not authorized to impose a constitution on Egypt, but rather to study the situation and confer with the native leaders, and the

DEFENCE OF THE COLLEGE.

Principal Taylor's Statement.

Principal Taylor said that the proposal for the removal of the clinical department of the medical college to Ottawa was the result of the appointment of a committee by the university trustees to inquire into medical education. The committee was composed of Chancellor Beatty, Dr. Rankin of New York, W. F. Nickle, George Henderson, K.C., of Ottawa, and himself. He told that the medical school required in the way of hospital facilities and clinical cases, and as these did not exist in Kingston, in the opinion of the committee, it was deemed worth considering the removal of the clinical department to a larger centre in order to secure the advantages offered. Ottawa was going to build a large city hospital and the college would only have to make an expenditure of about \$200,000 to locate there.

He then took up the question, How far clinical teaching could be met at Queen's? The Kingston General Hospital was considered unsuitable and required to be reconstructed and organized. This would involve an expenditure of \$500,000. The appointment of a high-class superior student was necessary, while the medical college needed two professors, one a specialist in surgery and another in medicine, who should be paid adequate salaries. When this was done there was still the question of material. In view of the difficulty in raising money here, the Ottawa proposal seemed the only alternative.

Dean Connel and Dr. Edward Ryan were asked by the chairman to express their views, but they were reluctant, as they had already submitted memorandums on the matter. Both, however, made glowing addresses, showing that the medical school had existed practically without assistance from the university, and was one of the best medical colleges in America, having produced some of the best men who were in the forefront of the profession everywhere. The improvement of the

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NEWS IN BULLETIN.

The London Daily Chronicle says the German note to the Allies is complete surrender.

The Provincial Health Board has opened legal fight to compel all Toronto to be vaccinated against small pox.

Another policeman was shot in Ireland.

A definite measure for Irish home rule is promised next week.

The United States is urged to cut off coal for Canada to force the sending of newspaper to the States.

Several lives were lost in a storm which swept the Newfoundland coast for days.

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