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MUST PROCEED WITH CAUTION FRANCHISE BILL IS DISCUSSED

The Ontario Government is Warned About Hydro-Electric Development. The Disqualification Clauses Were Explained By Hon. Arthur Meighen.

CLARKSON MAKES REPORT INTENT OF THE CLAUSES IS NOT TO DISFRANCHISE LONG-TIME RESIDENTS.

Half of Provincial Debt Is Represented by Advances To Commission—The Report, Tabled in the Legislature. (Canadian Press Despatch) Toronto, March 27.—Warning the Ontario Government and the Hydro-Electric commission that they must proceed with caution and due regard for financial considerations in future extensions in the power system is uttered by G. T. Clarkson of the firm of Clarkson, Gordon and Dilworth, in a special report to the government upon Hydro affairs. Some time after taking office, the Government ordered to be in a position to deal intelligently with hydro-extension proposals, instructed Mr. Clarkson to report on undertakings to which the commission is committed, the financing required to complete them and the probable cost of other necessary extensions in the next two years. The report was tabled in the legislature yesterday.

Perhaps the most striking feature of the report is the revelation of the magnitude of the hydro system. Of \$100,000,000 of the province, \$40,000,000 is represented by advances to the commission while \$10,000,000 has been paid for the purchase of the Central Ontario system owned by the government, directly and operated by the commission, but \$40,000,000 is only a starter. The report of the accountant informs the government that to complete the Chippewa development, Nipigon works, the Rideau development and other system, and to make the usual extensions over a period of two years will require from \$25,000,000 to \$27,000,000.

INDIAN MUSIC GIVEN

At an Event in Napanee on Tuesday

(From Our Own Correspondent.) Napanee, March 26.—(The Napanee Musical and Literary Club held its sixth meeting in the town hall on Tuesday evening. The evening was devoted to Indian music. The musical selections were most excellently given by Miss May Hawley and Miss Allison, and the music was interspersed by a splendid paper on "Music of the North American Indians," given by D. M. Halpenny, of the Collegiate staff. During the reading of the paper Miss Lois Derris, Miss Wheeler and Mr. Northmore illustrated different phases of Indian life by songs. Miss Marlon Wilson also sang two Indian songs in her charming manner. One of the unique features of the evening was an Indian drill given by several of the collegiate girls in Indian costume. C. B. Creighton attended the Dominion convention of the G.W.V.A. in Montreal this week. Mrs. E. R. Todd and daughter, Poppy, arrived home on Wednesday, after a four months' visit with friends in England. Mr. Todd met her in Montreal. Mrs. W. J. Campbell, Hamilton, spent a few days last week with friends in Napanee. Mrs. D'Arcy Sneath and Miss Rooney returned Wednesday, after spending six weeks in Baltimore, New York and other eastern cities.

THE SIEGE OF WESEL HAS BEEN RAISED

Government Troops Defeat Workers' Forces—Latter Assisted by Russian Officers.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Wesel, Germany, March 27.—Government troops made a sortie southeast of this city yesterday, drove the besieging workers' forces from their posts, shelled their retreating columns and raised the siege of Wesel on both the east and south-east. Disensions seem to have broken out among both workers and government forces.

While the counter-attack was proceeding, reinforcements arrived here, including the Death Head Hussars and Uhlans. All commissioners conferred with Gen. Kabisch, and soon after the Belgian military authorities at Bunderich, a Belgian town across the Rhine, began issuing passes for civilians to return to the city. After a conference at Hagen, three Socialist parties' delegates have decided to send envoys to Wesel in an attempt to bring about a cessation of the fighting there, according to the Vossische Zeitung.

Russian Officers Aiding.

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, March 27.—One hundred Russian officers sent to Germany by Nicolai Lenin, Bolshevik premier, are assisting in the operations of the German workers' army before Wesel, says a despatch to the London Times. The despatch says the workers have taken over control of the Krupp works at Essen and are turning out arms and ammunition.

The government of India issued an order prohibiting the entrance of Germans into India for a period of five years from the signing of the Versailles treaty.

R. B. Maxwell, of Winnipeg, was elected President of the G.W.V.A. Dominion command for the coming year.

Two constables in County Clare were fired on on Thursday night; one of them was seriously injured.

ON THE FINANCES AND THE EXTENSIONS PROPOSED

The Government Will Have an Amendment to Meet the Main Objections Raised by Mr. Euler. (Canadian Press Despatch) Ottawa, March 27.—Following an afternoon of keen debating in the Commons, the franchise bill received a second reading, and at the evening sitting started on its more monotonous way through committee. It was still in committee with a number of non-contentious clauses passed when the house adjourned.

Hon. Arthur Meighen, on the resumption of debate on the second reading, stated the Government's position on the disqualification clauses, particularly in regard to their effect on those of naturalized enemy origin. These are clauses which throughout aroused the keenest criticism. Mr. Euler, North Waterloo, claimed on Thursday night that they would disfranchise the women of German birth married to naturalized Canadians, resident in Canada for many years, and numbers of them had sons who fought for the Allies.

Taking up this point especially, Mr. Meighen argued that the intent of the clauses was not to disfranchise the long-time residents in Canada, as Mr. Euler had intimated, but that the intent was to establish equality so far as right to vote was concerned between a person naturalized by personal application and a person naturalized by operation of the law, such, for instance, as by marriage with a British subject.

"It is inconceivable," Mr. Meighen declared, his words being applauded from both sides of the House, "that this or any other government would wish to grant the franchise to many who came to this country in 1911, became naturalized through the naturalization of his parents, and at the same time take the vote away from those who have been here for forty or fifty years, and who have enjoyed the right to vote."

When the bill was in committee, therefore, the government would have an amendment which would meet the main objections raised by Mr. Euler.

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The scholarship will go on in perpetuity, and each year at Queen's a some student will accrue its benefits. Tenable for two years, it is worth \$500 to the winner.

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WHAT THE PEOPLE DEMAND.

SALE OF LIQUOR IS PROFITABLE

Ontario Government Makes Over Half a Million From Dispensaries.

NO RESIGNATIONS ASKED FROM STAFF OF ONTARIO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

A Bill Introduced Into the Legislature by Hon. Mr. Raney For Codifying the Law of Partnerships.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Toronto, March 27.—The legislature put in two hours yesterday dealing with the miscellaneous business, the most important of which was Hon. Mr. Raney's bill codifying the law of partnerships. The bill was given a second reading after the attorney-general had explained its purpose. He informed the house that the object was to assemble a law upon partnerships in simple form, and the plan adopted had been to follow the working of the Imperial act which had already been adopted in several provinces of the Dominion. In some of the provinces it had been in effect for some years.

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VENUS THE MOTHER

The magnificent figure of a fully-draped woman, the embodiment of feminine strength and grace wrought in Parian marble, has been received the crowning glory of the Sigmund Samson collection of ancient Greek and Italian art presented to the Royal Ontario Museum. This piece of sculpture represents the period of the Golden Age of art in Greece, between 400 and 350 B.C.

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LAST BASE CAPTURED

Polish Seat of Government Removed From Warsaw.

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, March 27.—Novorossisk, the last base in southern Russia under control of General Denikin, has been captured by Russian Bolsheviks, according to a wireless despatch from Moscow.

RENO A DISGRACE

It Helps to Substitute System of Legalized Free Love.

New York, March 27.—No such place as Reno should debase our national life and there should be a Federal law supplanting all the state divorce laws, said the Rev. Dr. William T. Manning, rector of Trinity Church.

NEWSPAPERMAN GETS POSITION

H. M. Watson, Police Court reporter of Evening Telegram, Toronto, who has been appointed by the Police Commission as Theatrical Censor, the post formerly held by the late Wm. Banks, Sr.

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PREMIER ANSWERS ASQUITH'S ATTACK

Lloyd George Makes Statement on Foreign Policy, Particularly Turkey.

THE QUESTION OF MANDATE

Without Giving United States Chance to Help—Germany Must Indicate She Intends to Discharge Her Liabilities.

London, March 27.—Replying to criticisms of the government's foreign policy by H. H. Asquith, Lloyd George yesterday afternoon gave a definite explanation of the Turkish settlement. The premier said it would have been a blunder to have settled the Turkish problem without giving the United States the most ample opportunity to decide whether it would accept a mandate, because it would have given rise to suspicions that Great Britain and France were taking advantage of the political dissatisfaction in the United States to divide the whole of Turkey among themselves.

TO DECLARE STOCK MARKET

Montreal, March 27.—The shareholders of Provincial Paper have been called to a special meeting on April 3rd to approve the sale of the company to a new concern of the same name, it is believed. Preferred shareholders will get share for share in the new company, while common stock holders will get three shares of new for every two shares of stock now held.

WINDSOR MILLIONAIRE COMMITS SUICIDE

Windsor, Ont., March 27.—Following a quarrel with his wife over trivial matters, C. F. Curry, wealthy land owner, with a fortune variously estimated at from one to four million dollars, committed suicide in Detroit by sending several bullets through his head in his room. Curry was about thirty-six years of age and a son of the late John W. Curry, wealthy banker and land owner of Windsor.

TO BE LATE SEEDING.

Calgary, Alta., March 27.—There will be a late seeding in the north," according to H. Greenfield of Westlock, on the Edmonton, Vegreville and British Columbia railway, a member of the executive of the United Farmers of Alberta. "The snow is about three feet deep, and it will be some considerable time before the farmers will be able to commence operations on their land."

Centre of Oil Activity.

Lethbridge, Alta., March 27.—Lethbridge promises to become the centre of oil activity in the south of Alberta. Drilling has commenced in several places tributary to the city. The Imperial Oil Company is drilling to the south and west on Dry Fork and west of Nanfan. This company intends to spend two million dollars in Alberta this summer in their search for oil.

Plumbers Ask \$12 a Day.

Birmingham, Ala., March 27.—Journeymen plumbers here have served notice that effective April 1st they will demand \$12 a day, with double pay for overtime, Sundays and holidays. The master plumbers say the demand will be met and the additional cost passed on to the public.

Rye Whiskey in Demand.

Vancouver, B.C., March 27.—Three hundred and fifty thousand liquor prescriptions were issued last year by British Columbia physicians, according to the annual report of the prohibition commissioner. Rye whiskey is the popular "fit cure."

Engaged to Be Married.

London, March 27.—The engagement is announced of Lady Cynthia Curzon, second daughter of Earl Curzon of Kedleston, and Lieut. Oswald Erskine Mosley, M.P., for the Harrow division of Middlesex.

BRITISH ALLIANCE SHALL NOT BE BROKEN

"Adversaries Deceiving Themselves When They Try to Exploit Pretended Divisions."

Paris, March 27.—In the Chamber of Deputies Yves Le Troquer, deputy minister of public works, announced that Great Britain had promised to France 18,000,000 tons of coal yearly, or sixty per cent. of her stock for disposal, instead of twenty per cent. given previously, at a special price of seventy-five shillings a ton, instead of the market price of 115 or 125 shillings.

"I cannot forbear mentioning the cordial and sympathetic welcome Premier Lloyd George gave us on our recent visit," said M. Le Troquer, "and the emotion with which he spoke of France's devastated mines."

M. Millerand, the premier, said as the deputy minister concluded: "This unanimous applause will be heard and understood on the other side of the channel. If to-morrow the adversaries of Great Britain and France try to exploit pretended divisions between us, we can reply that they are deceiving themselves and that our alliance shall not be broken."

There was cheering everywhere throughout the chamber when M. Millerand ended his address.

WILL SEND SOUVENIR.

German Writes to the Parents of a Brockville Soldier. Brockville, March 27.—Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Murray, parents of Captain Tolford H. Murray, killed near Vimy Ridge, in April, 1917, are in receipt of a card from a German residing near Munich, who states that he is in possession of a wrist watch worn by the gallant young soldier when he fell mortally wounded.

The German says he secured the timepiece from a soldier who laid Murray to rest, and will be pleased to forward it to the relatives. Captain Murray went overseas in 1916 with a draft of the 13th C.M.R. from Hamilton.

THERE MAY BE DELAY.

Slide in Panama Canal May Block Prince of Wales.

Panama, March 27.—It is doubted here whether a channel sufficient to permit the passage of the British cruiser Renown can be cleared in the Culebra Cut by Tuesday next, when the Prince of Wales will arrive aboard the warship on his way to Australia.

New Danger Threatens Tourists.

Paris, March 27.—Many dangers threaten tourists who would visit Europe. Floating mines is one. But floating mines is but a secondary danger. The most dangerous awaits the tourist on European soil. That is the man hunt. Millions of European women are left husbandless by the war, and if they can seek their booty among the tourists to come, they are going to do so.

Whether or not there will be a miners' strike will depend on the negotiations between Number 10 Downing street and the miners' leaders.

Up to today the situation was, roughly, that the miners wanted a wage increase double what the government was prepared to allow. The miners' delegates were unanimous in declaring that if the dispute had been referred to the men themselves, there would undoubtedly be a two-third majority vote in favor of a general strike in all the coal fields. The emphasis laid upon this point by the miners' leaders was only to be expected under the circumstances, seeing that they are striving to make the best bargain possible, but Lloyd George's renewal of the negotiations yesterday indicates that the premier, at any rate, does not believe the last word has been said.

In regard to the railway situation also, the clouds have to-day shown a tendency to lift.

In some political circles the situation is viewed through political spectacles. Some of the Independent Liberals and some of the Labor men believe that Lloyd George is not unwilling to appeal to the country on the broad issue of labor versus the community and that he would welcome a big strike as a justification for the general elections. The Labor politicians, on their side, realize that a big strike or a series of strikes would react on the fortunes of their party at the polls, and while the extremists among them are eager to force the issue on the principle of fishing in troubled waters, the cooler heads are determined to work for a peaceful settlement.

NEWS IN BULLETIN.

The Board of Commerce decided at Toronto that retail grocers are not guilty of combining charges.

Thirty-five Sinn Feiners were arrested immediately following the murder of Magistrate Alan Bell at Dublin.

The murders of prominent men in Ireland are the result of the capture of Gen. French's mail bag recently which revealed their names.

Bonar Lay stated in the House of Commons on Friday that the government does not intend to release Irish prisoners on hunger strike, even if they starve themselves to death.

Information received at Geneva states that it is officially announced that Admiral Horby, regent of Hungary, has offered the throne to former Emperor Charles.

Herman Mueller, foreign minister in the Bauer cabinet, has been requested to form a new cabinet.

BRITAIN'S PEACE BASIS IS SOLID

In Three Years, Country Will Be in the Strongest Position in History.

THE INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES

LABOR TROUBLES DO NOT SEEM TO BE INSOLUBLE.

Clouds Clearing in Railway Disturbance—The Outlook at the Moment, of Course, is Not Rosy. London, March 27.—Industrial unrest and political jockeying for positions occupy an equal place in English newspapers just now, and a stranger running and reading might imagine all was for the worst possible. Those who know the country best, however, do not take such a pessimistic view. In fact, they are optimistic enough to predict that in a couple of years hence, or in three at the outside, England will be more solidly established on a basis of peace and comfort than at any previous period of her history.

For the moment, however the outlook is not altogether rosy. The miners' strike is threatened in a few weeks time and railway strikes have either begun or are imminent on various systems, with the possibility of their becoming general if the local situations are mismanaged. The possibility is somewhat remote, but just now, with a large section of the public making plans for spending the Easter holiday away from home, it is uppermost in popular discussions.

The prime minister has personally taken up the miners' problems. In the House of Commons yesterday afternoon he referred to the wild story told in the Labor paper, the Daily Herald, of the government's plans to break the strike, if one came about, by putting military cordons around the mining districts and starving the populations to submission.

As this sensational yarn has been cabled to America, it may be interesting to note its genesis, as traced by another radical paper, the Star. The Star's editor believes the origin of the Herald's story is to be found in the fact that J. J. Garvey, editor of the Observer, "a couple of months ago, in one of his Coalition rhapsodies, warned the railwaymen that if they tried to hold up the food-stuffs of the country, they would find two could play at that game and the government would stop the supplies of food. It was a flight of fancy, such as writers and orators are alike liable to, and I have no doubt that it formed in somebody's brain the real genesis of this latest sensation."

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