

CITIES WILL GAIN SEATS

Rule of Representation by Population Not Popular in Rural Districts.

Ottawa, July 16.—Whatever may be the unit of representation resulting from the census taken, the figures indicate a relatively greater increase in urban than in rural population, and when the redistribution bill is enacted the city members in parliament will be materially increased, with a corresponding diminution in the rural representation.

Recent events, connected with the external situation, indicate the probability of another session of parliament at which redistribution would be one of the main features. While definite plans cannot be worked out pending the announcement of the population, the municipal census taken annually furnishes a good idea of probable population, and already various suggestions are being put forward as to the delimitation of constituencies. The system whereby two members have been elected at large in a single electoral division is likely to be done away with finally, and separate constituencies formed. This will affect Ottawa, which expects three members, and also Halifax.

Favor Rural Ridings.

CORDIAL RELATIONS WITH AMERICANS

Hard Facts Must Be Faced to Reach a Real Cordial Relation.

(Special to The Whig) London, July 16.—"Speaking as a Canadian I say here that I owe everything to England," said Professor Morrison, of Queen's University, in responding last night to a toast at the dinner given by the British government to the Anglo-American history professors.

"Much has been said recently," he continued, "with regard to Anglo-American friendship, and if the relations between the two countries are to be friendly and cordial certain hard facts must be faced and the future policy must be based on adequate knowledge of the mistakes of the past.

"Friendship must come from truth, honesty and sincerity. Canadians are not solely British, but they are French also, and the future of the Dominion depends on the mutual relations of France and Britain. In the past the French-Canadians have contributed many orators to the school of parliamentary eloquence and there is no greater work which the historian of to-day can undertake than in investigating and setting forth the manner in which French civilization dove-tailed into British civilization.

Among those present at the banquet in addition to Professor Morrison were Prof. Prince, of Kingston, and F. Lenley, Toronto.

Tour Put Off Again. Toronto, July 16.—The tour of the U.F.O. big three—Crerar, Drury and Morrison—seems to be definitely off. It is stated that Hon. Mr. T. A. Crerar, the federal agrarian leader, will be unable to take the stump in Ontario with Premier Drury and the U.F.O. secretary, as he had intended. There is still some prospect, however, of Premier Drury and J. J. Morrison setting out on a speaking tour.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.



My husband never shuts closed doors.—M.H.A. What Does Your Husband Do?

TO SEARCH FOR RELICS IN OLD INDIAN CAPITAL

Boy Scouts and Archaeologists Leave For Ancient Huron Seat.

Midland, July 16.—Word has been received that Dr. Horricha, the distinguished chief of the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C., will participate in the coming fete of the Pentastigianic (centenary) Early this morning a party of archaeological enthusiasts accompanied by an enthusiastic troop of Boy Scouts left Penstang on a canoe trip to Thonattia, where they will undertake extensive excavation. Thonattia was the ancient capital of the Huron nation, situated on one of the most commanding points of natural beauty and savage grandeur in America. It was here that Etienne Bruie, the famous Courier Du Bois was put to death in 1632. The Hurons afterward in the fear that the town was haunted by the spirit, abandoned it completely. It has remained buried in the wilderness ever since. Great interest surrounds the present expedition and the findings will prove an occasion of great discussion at the exhibit of Huroniana at the tercentennial.

PACT THAT WILL MAKE PACIFIC REALLY PACIFIC

Premier Lloyd George Alludes to the Conference Called by Harding.

London, July 16.—Mr. Lloyd George, in the course of his address at the banquet of the Coalition Liberal League last evening, made the following allusion to "the remarkable invitation issued by the president of the United States to discuss the issues involved in the Pacific problem, on which the future peace of the world depends."

"Therefore no treaty is of value unless it leads to an understanding among nations that they will not utilize their resources, their wealth and their strength for the purpose of developing the mechanism of human slaughter amongst themselves. I am very hopeful that when that conference meets it will lead to something beyond mere resolutions in favor of disarmament and real arrangements, involving the keeping of those armaments within innocuous limits."

SEEKS WAY TO INCLUDE JAPAN

Believe First Hitch in Arrangement Can Be Adjusted Quickly.

Washington, July 16.—Japan is ready to enter the disarmament conference, but withholds assent to an unrestricted discussion of far eastern questions as a part of it. The viewpoint of the American government is that a solution of the far eastern questions is a necessary accompaniment to any disarmament programme.

CANADIAN WOOL IS IN GREAT DEMAND

Prices Not Up—Mills Showing More Activity in Manufacture of Goods.

Ottawa, July 16.—Canadian mills are showing greater activity in the manufacture of woollen goods, and as a result there is a strong demand for Canadian wool, but without any advance in price, according to the dominion wool market reports for the week ending July 11th issued yesterday. Sales of domestic wools continue to be made at 19 to 21c for medium, quotations on lower grades are running from 11 to 13c for coarse, 15 to 17c for low combing and 17 to 19c for low medium combing. Western wools are under process of grading and several options have already been taken on certain lots.

Little or no change in the amount of immigration into Canada is noticed since the immigration law came into force.

TO SHELVE NAVAL TOPIC

Position of Dominions Premiers Is To Leave Well Enough Alone.

London, July 16.—As the result of the informal discussions of the past few days, the naval question will be shelved by the conference of the British dominion prime ministers. This course has been urged by Premier Meighen from the beginning, and its adoption has been rendered inevitable by a decision to have the disarmament conference at Washington. It is probable that some form of resolution will be passed, but it will have no relation to policy or any contemplated action, and it will commit the respective dominions to nothing. It is not at all improbable that the question of the place and date for the discussion of other matters in connection with the proposed constitutional conference will be left in abeyance.

The Canadian Press is in a position to state that is the view held by at least two dominion premiers, both of whom, curiously enough, have subscribed to the resolution of 1917, urging the holding of a constitutional conference as soon as possible after the war. The argument they now use is that the international situation in a state of flux, the question of devising machinery suitable to its changed status of empire, with its attendant danger of throwing the whole question into the vortex of domestic politics, can safely be delayed. In a word, their position is to

HERE IS HONESTY PURE AND SIMPLE!

Girl Finds \$10,000 in Handkerchief and Promptly Locates Owner.

New York, July 16.—Could Diogenes but return to earth in quest of an honest woman instead of an honest man he would be rewarded. Anna Hughes, seventeen, who works in a laundry, found \$10,000 in jewels tied up in a handkerchief. Although nobody knew of her discovery, she promptly turned the jewels over to the manager, who returned them to their owner.

DOCTOR'S CLAIM OF \$81,461 GOES TO JURY

Rochester Physician Sues Estate of Louis N. Stein, Clothing Manufacturer.

Rochester, N.Y., July 16.—A claim of \$81,461.01 for medical services made by Dr. Julius S. Berkman of this city against the \$1,500,000 estate of the late Louis N. Stein, Rochester clothing manufacturer, was ordered submitted to a jury by Surrogate Seldon S. Brown. Dr. Berkman alleges an agreement under which he was to receive \$10,000 a year and says Mr. Stein promised to make provision for paying out of his estate the balance now alleged to be due.

Aquatic Feat By A Cornwall Child

Cornwall, Ont., July 16.—An unusual aquatic feat for a child of her age, was accomplished by Miss Isabel Whittaker, the nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Whittaker. She had been in swimming at St. Lawrence Park for about half an hour when she thought she would like to swim across the river to Cornwall Island. She struck out, followed by her father in a boat, and was still in good form when the island was reached, and would have come back to the park had her father allowed her, but he insisted on her returning with him in the boat. It is a good half mile from the park to the island, and a swift current flows between the two points. So far as is known, this is the first time this feat has been accomplished by one so young.

WOMAN IS CONVICTED.

Killed Her Husband After Seventeen Years of Quarrelling. Chicago, July 16.—Mrs. Dora Waterman, West Division street, who slew her husband, Louis, with a meat cleaver on March 7th, was convicted of murder. She is one of the very few women convicted of murder in Cook county. The slaying came after seventeen years of quarrelling. The jury fixed Mrs. Waterman's punishment at seventeen years in the penitentiary. She fainted when she heard the verdict. Her seventeen-year-old son, Jacob, tried with her, was found not guilty. It was stated at the trial that Waterman, under the influence of her own moonshine, had threatened to kill his wife. A fully equipped still was found in the house.



"THUNDERER" AND GOVERNMENT CLASH. Left: Lord Northcliffe, whose attacks upon the British government have led to representatives of his papers being barred from the foreign office. Right: Lord Curzon, foreign secretary, who gave the order of exclusion.

PIPES AND TOBACCO FOR THE PRISONERS

The Majority Expressed a Preference For Use of Smoking Tobacco.

The issue of tobacco to the prisoners of Portsmouth penitentiary is expected every day. Officers have been sent in for a supply of pipes and tobacco, as upon a canvass by Warden Ponsford it was ascertained that the majority of the inmates expressed a preference for smoking tobacco.

No definite statement has yet been given out respecting the result of the Nettle commission that investigated complaints on behalf of Messrs. Corby and Givens, officials of the Portsmouth penitentiary. Mr. Nettle forwarded his report of the inquiry to Ottawa some time ago, and word of the decision of the minister of justice is expected daily. The officials expect to be fully vindicated.

ALBERTA FARMERS HOPE TO SECURE MAJORITY

They Are Closely Associated With Labor Candidates in Various Ridings.

Calgary, July 16.—In Alberta there are more than 32,000 members in 1,500 local units or the United Farmers and the United Farm Women. It is estimated at the headquarters of the Farmers' organization that this body, most of whom are voters, constitute approximately 25 per cent. of the total electorate, which, on Monday next, will choose a new provincial legislature. Leaders in the Farmers' movement decline to predict the result of the election, in which there are forty-four candidates recognized officially by the organization, and several more whose sympathies run in the direction of the U.F.A., and whose support is expected with considerable confidence in the event of a Farmer victory at the polls. It is fair to say, however, that they will be surprised if a majority of the 61 members in the next assembly are not U.F.A. men.

The Farmers' movement is associated closely with the campaign of labor candidates in various ridings, and a working agreement such as exists in Ontario might be seen in Alberta, should such an arrangement ensure a majority in the house for the combined groups.

In Medicine Hat, a two-member constituency, one labor man and one Farmer are opposing jointly two government candidates. In Lethbridge the Farmers are supporting the Labor candidate against General J. S. Stewart, Conservative, and there is no Liberal in the field. In Calgary also the Farmers are giving their assistance to the Labor ticket, and in Edmonton city the single U.F.A. nominee is working in co-operation with the labor candidates.

Bandits Snatch Bag Containing \$25,000

Seattle, Wash., July 16.—Two bandits shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning snatched a bag containing \$25,000 in currency from a messenger of the Northwest Trust and Safe Deposit Company, and escaped in an automobile, pursued by a taxicab driver who had witnessed the affair. Police throughout the city were notified, and other cars took up the chase.

\$300,000,000 Is the Sum Germany Is to Pay Canada As Reparations

London, July 16.—Canada's share of the reparations, which Germany is to pay the British Empire, has been fixed by the prime minister's conference at three hundred million dollars. Under the decision of the supreme allied council, the total German reparations bill is placed at \$5,500,000,000, or, roughly speaking, thirty billion dollars. Of this gigantic sum, the British Empire is allotted 22 per cent., and under the decision reached yesterday, Canada is to receive 4.5 per cent. of the British total. This works out at about \$300,000,000, or, in other words, it represents about one-eighth of the Canadian national debt.

EXPECT A BIG CROP THROUGHOUT THE WEST

The Canadian National Railway Agents Send Favorable Report East.

Toronto, July 16.—The beneficial result of rains which have fallen generally over the west is reflected in a crop report for the week ending July 9th, received by the Canadian National Railways here from its agents in western Canada. A great majority of the 309 agents reporting are confident that sufficient moisture has fallen to permit of a steady, wholesome growth of grain of all varieties sown. No serious damage from any source is reported. The grasshoppers appear to be well in hand throughout the area served by the C.N.R. There has been some hail and some trouble from heavy rains, but these affect the minor portion of the crop only. Prophecies of a bumper crop are made by many agents throughout the three provinces. Altogether, the report may be viewed as decidedly optimistic in tone, and unless unforeseen developments occur between this date and time for cutting, prospects are that the farmers along C.N.R. lines in the west will harvest one of the greatest crops in their history.

REDSKIN MUST PAY THE DEATH PENALTY

Fellow-Indians Impressed by the Workings of British Justice.

Fort McMurray, Alta., July 16.—Albert Lebeaux, the Slavery Indian for whose trial the special judicial party went North a few weeks ago, has been found guilty of the murder of his wife and child and sentenced to death. Judge Debus conducted the trial at Fort Providence, with C. C. McCaul, of Ottawa, as counsel for the prosecution and John Cory for the defense.

The case was handled with as much care and legal precision as if it had been in one of the civil courts instead of the first jury trial ever held in the Mackenzie Territory. Evidence was submitted in support of the charge that definitely establishes the prisoner's guilt, however, and sentence of death was accordingly passed upon him. The local Indians have been impressed with the fact that British justice reaches far and that Lebeaux was given a fair trial.

HENRY FORD LAUNCHES OUT IN NEW ENTERPRISE

Has Offered \$5,000,000 and Huge Rental For Great Nitrate Plant.

Detroit, Mich., July 16.—It was intimated here by men in close touch with Henry Ford and his extensive business interests, that the automobile magnate has presented a proposal to the Federal government to lease the great nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals, Alabama, constructed by the government during the war at a cost of \$80,000,000. The plant is now idle.

The manufacturer has offered to pay to the government five millions in cash and a yearly lease rental of \$1,500,000 for the land and plant. Mr. Ford intends, it is understood, to operate the nitrate plant to manufacture commercial fertilizer and as an auxiliary plant for the manufacture of explosives in an emergency. Distribution of the valuable nitrate fertilizer, it is pointed out, could be carried on to advantage in connection with the Ford farm tractor industry.

Mr. Ford's private secretary, Ernest G. Liebhold, while declining to comment on the matter, admitted that a statement might be looked for after the government has considered Mr. Ford's proposition and announced its decision.

The proposal to the government was made following a complete survey of the Muscle Shoals property by Ford engineers. It is generally believed that if Ford has "eased the property" an unprecedented supply of high-grade fertilizer will be made available to farmers throughout the country. The gigantic Ford marketing system could also be utilized to facilitate the handling of the product.

Two Heroic Brothers Fail in Rescue

Renfrew, July 16.—Garfield, the six-year-old son of Bert Miller, was drowned in the Bonnechere river yesterday afternoon while bathing with his elder brothers, John and Frank. The little fellow was supposed to be a good swimmer, but on jumping into the river he sank at once in twenty-five feet of water and never came up. The brothers dived for him, but were unable to find his body, which has not yet been recovered. Only last week the council tabled a request of the Playground Association, that \$200 be appropriated to engage a caretaker of children bathing in the river during hot weather.

A MOTHER'S AWFUL DEED

Mrs. Bridgen Deliberately Poisons Herself And Her Three Daughters.

Wholesale poisoning by strychnine was the unhappy sequel to the appeal judgment handed down by Sir William Meredith at Toronto on Thursday of last week giving custody of the two youngest children of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bridgen to the father during the holidays. The judgment was sought just before the closing of the Notre Dame convent, Kingston, and the dramatic sequel came at 11 a.m. on Friday, when the father was about to take possession of the two children at the home of the mother, 290 Ontario street.

Dr. P. H. Huyck was called to the home of Mrs. Bridgen at 11 a.m., and upon arriving there found Mrs. Bridgen and her oldest daughter, Doris, a girl aged sixteen years, both very ill from some poison, Mr. Bridgen refusing to answer his questions, saying: "Let me die." She refused to say what poison had been administered and said she threw the bottle away. Efforts to find the bottle were fruitless. Returning to his patient, Dr. Huyck was told she had taken fox poison, which had been a long time in the house. He knew that the basis of this was strychnine, and his deduction was soon confirmed by a well defined convulsion. He administered an emetic and had both patients removed to the Hotel Dieu where the treatment was continued with good result in the case of the daughter, who had apparently received a small dose, but while the mother's stomach was washed out, she continued to suffer from convulsions throughout the day, and on Friday night her condition was serious. On Saturday morning she showed a little improvement.

Other Two Taken Ill.

Just after removing the patients to the hospital Dr. Huyck received a telephone call from Westbrook stating that the other two Bridgen children were ill from poison. He did not associate the cases with those here, and directed that they be rushed to the hospital here. They were the two other children of Mrs. Bridgen whom the father was taking to Trenton by auto. They had been poisoned before leaving home. Dr. Mabey treated them at Westbrook and sent them on to the Hotel Dieu where they are under Dr. Huyck's care. They are expected to recover. They are Agnes, aged 14, and Mona, aged twelve.

W. F. Nickle, K. C., was summoned to 290 Ontario street and was present when Dr. Huyck arrived. It was his firm that represented the mother when the appeal for custody of the children was argued in Toronto last week. William M. Nickle presented the case.

The whole deplorable affair is the outcome of an unhappy domestic condition and the mother becoming mentally distracted when about to be deprived of the custody of the two little ones, yielded to a rash impulse in order to escape what appeared to her to be an unbearable situation.

Order Changed.

Some time ago Justice Kelly gave an order at Toronto that the Bridgen children were to be under the care of their mother. Inspector Police of the Children's Aid Society and Mayor Nickle, who knew Mrs. Bridgen when he was in charge of the local patriotic fund, signed affidavits that the mother was quite capable of looking after her children, and advising that they be left with her. Since the father returned from overseas, the couple have not lived together. The mother was eager to do her best for her offspring, and the two younger ones were sent to the Notre Dame convent boarding school. Lately, the father took action to have the younger children with him during the holidays, and was represented at Toronto by Ambrose Shea, who secured an order that the father was to have the custody of them until the convent term opened in September. The father claimed that the place kept by his wife was not fit for the children, but the children's aid inspector told the Whig that nothing whatever could be proved against the mother who did well by her young daughters. The latter apparently desired to remain with the mother, for they appeared to be much griefed when the hour for their departure with their father arrived. (Continued on Page 20.)

Kill Food Requisitioners.

Reval, Esthonia, July 16.—The Moscow newspaper, Economic Life, asserts that during the month of May more than 200 employees of the Bolshevik food department making requisitions of food, etc., in the country, were killed by peasants or bandits.

In Toronto 19 Go.

Toronto, July 16.—A number of aged employees of the postal department in Toronto will be superannuated on July 31st under the civil service reorganization. Nineteen Toronto men are affected.