

WANTS HUGE GRAIN POOL

Premier Meighen Makes a Strong Bid For the Farmers' Support.

Portage la Prairie, Man., Sept. 28.—In a speech which had been eagerly awaited, specially throughout the West, Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, prime minister, last night announced the government's policy in regard to the grain trade. The speech came at an overflow meeting, following the main speech of the evening.

"What I propose," said Mr. Meighen, in making his announcement, "is a system of voluntary pool, not of wheat alone, but of the principal grains growing in this country, such pool to be handled by a government board constituted on the plan of the Wheat Board, receiving and disposing of grain by a system similar to that followed by Mr. Stewart. I do not propose that this board alone shall receive and dispose of western grain. I do not propose that the present grain handling agencies be put out of business, but I propose that through a federal grain board the farmer shall have an alternative method which he can adopt if he desires, a method similar to that which was open to him for the crop that he sold to the wheat board in 1919.

"I propose before next year a Canadian grain board be created with such powers as will enable it to function, that will receive grain placed voluntarily with it by farmers, and that will have powers to enable it to hold and dispose of that grain to the best advantage to give the farmer the benefit of mixing, if the board decides that mixing should be done; to give the farmer the benefit of any average if average results, and to give him the full return of the crop that he produced, less only actual and necessary cost.

Results Assured.

"I know there are difficulties. In the way, and I am not blind to them, but difficulties must only stimulate. They must not thwart. The chain of elevators under or practically owned by the dominion today, stretching across the continent, may be used without unfairness to others to facilitate the transporting and storage of the grain handled by the board, and for securing the results to the producer that I have just outlined. I am confident that by the means described, we will go far to assure to the farmer the following results:


- 1.—That the fair value of his grain as a selling commodity will be paid him whether by the grain board or by any company that competes against the grain board.
- 2.—That the profits that have arisen out of his crop by means of overages will now go back to the producer and be included in his participation certificates.
- 3.—That conditions of mixing, if mixing is considered by the board to be in the interests of the producer, will accrue to the producer himself.
- 4.—That the selling of Canadian grain, instead of being concentrated to the extent of 75 per cent, within three months of the year will be distributed more evenly over the entire twelve months, steadying the market and resulting in greater fairness both to the producer and the consumer.
- 5.—That economies in the handling of grain in bulk will result, and the farmer will get the benefit.

Factors to Success.

"The success of such a plan depended on more factors than one. It depended almost wholly on the factor, the man or men selected as members of the grain board. The whole people were interested in the results of the operation of that board. Should the board fail or go wrong, the whole people of Canada would hold the government responsible. It would, therefore, devolve on the government to select, after getting all advice on the subject within its reach, the man and the men, but chiefly the man to be chairman, who would command the universal confidence of Canadian citizens of every class and occupation.

"If the responsibility is mine when

HUSBAND AND WIFE



My wife plays a record and dances with the mop on my lodge nights. M. K. G.

What Does Your Wife Do?

DAMAGE CASE IS SETTLED

C. H. Powell Pays Percy Vincent \$1,750 For Injury to His Son.

The three jury cases which had been entered before Hon. Mr. Justice Orde, at the sessions of the supreme court, were settled out of court, and on Wednesday morning, at ten o'clock, the petit jurors were discharged.

In the case of Thomas Vincent, as next friend, on behalf of his infant son, Percy Vincent, plaintiff, and Charles H. Powell, defendant, in which plaintiff claimed \$5,000 damages for personal injuries, sustained through neglect and breach of duty, the following settlement was announced.

Judgment by consent for the infant plaintiff for \$1,750 without costs. Pleadings to be amended by adding the infant, Percy Vincent, as a plaintiff, the money to be paid into court after deducting the plaintiff's costs and the expenses of the next friend, all this with the approval of the official guardian.

In this case, T. J. Rigney, K.C., appeared for the plaintiff and Nickle, Farrell & Day for the defendant.

The motion paper in the matter of the estate of William H. McAdoo, deceased, was withdrawn. The official guardian will pay the interest on the money now in court to the credit of the infant children of the deceased.

The case of Luella Seale, plaintiff, and George O. Seale, defendant, in which the plaintiff made claim for alimony and was settled out of court, it was reported that the couple have agreed to resume married life.

In the case of R. A. Morrison, plaintiff, and L. A. Stewart and Jesse L. Byers, defendants, in which the plaintiff made claim to have a deed set aside, by consent judgment was given with costs, defendant to account for Stewart's share in real estate, goods and chattels. Referees will ascertain who are creditors of Stewart, with the amounts. T. J. Rigney, K.C., appeared for the plaintiff and Nickle, Farrell and Day for the defendants.

There is but one case left on the docket to be disposed of and this was taken up at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The case is that of C. B. Blackman, plaintiff, and T. A. Maxwell, defendant. The plaintiff's claim is that for damage for breach of contract in regard to the lease of a farm from the defendant to the plaintiff. W. B. Mudge, Gananogue, for the plaintiff, Nickle, Farrell and Day for the defendant.

WASHINGTON FEARS CANADA MAY RETALIATE

By Imposing Duties on American Goods—View of Meighen's Speech.

Washington, Sept. 28.—Premier Meighen's announcement that the tariff would be the leading issue in the Canadian elections aroused great interest here. It is thought that the emergency tariff bill recently passed, which put what was declared to be a prohibitive duty on Canadian wheat, may assume prime importance in the election campaign in the dominion. The probable heavy duties on certain lines of goods, which the permanent tariff bill will likely impose, it is thought, may produce Canadian sentiment in favor of retaliatory measures.

CRUISED FOR 63 DAYS IN AN OPEN BOAT

Washington, Sept. 28.—After cruising Chesapeake Bay waters for sixty-three days in an open boat, William Spencer, ex-soldier, and his ten-year-old daughter, were located by a police launch, and brought to Norfolk, Va., Saturday. It was announced here to-day. They mysteriously disappeared from this city more than two months ago.

LATEST AFTERNOON NEWS

Right Hon. Arthur Meighen's proposal to create a grain board was received with interest by members of the federal house, who, with Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King were at Picquet N.S. Wednesday, to speak at the Picquet county exhibition.

Martial law has been proclaimed in Transylvania, Rumania, as the result of strikes and disorders.

A Bulgarian mission is en route to Angora to negotiate a political and commercial treaty with the Nationalist government.

Polish officials stated Wednesday in London that after six exchange of notes between Poland and the Russian soviet, negotiations concerning the execution by Russia of the peace treaty signed in Riga have taken a favorable turn.

At a meeting of shipping lines in Montreal on Wednesday it was decided to make a ten per cent reduction in freight rates for grain being shipped from Montreal to the United Kingdom.

Economic penalties imposed upon Germany by the Allies for the non-fulfillment of the peace treaty will be lifted September 30th, Dr. Mayer, German ambassador in Paris, was informed by Premier Briand on Wednesday.

Arctic Advance Party Digs In at Wrangell Island

New York, Sept. 28.—The advance party of Stefansson's fifth expedition into the Arctic has arrived at Wrangell Island, where it will "dig in" for the winter. Mr. Stefansson announced to-day, on receipt of a relayed telegram from Alan Crawford, Toronto, leader of the party. He said the party consisted of four white men and four Eskimos, who sailed from Nome last August, and these will be the first white men to spend the entire winter on the island.

Policeman and Burglar Shot Dead in New York

New York, Sept. 28.—A policeman and an alleged burglar met death to-day in gun play incidental to wave of robberies covering several days. A patrol man, Joseph Reuschle, was shot by one of the motor bandits on Riverside Drive, and Harold Finley was shot by a detective during the chase which followed the alleged discovery of boys robbing a grocery store.

Empire More United Than Ever Before

London, Sept. 28.—Premier Hughes on his return to Melbourne from England, to-day, declared that the full story of the imperial conference would never be told in this generation. The empire is more united than ever, he said, and is a solid enduring fact.

SAVES TWO WOMEN FROM DROWNING IN THE RIVER

Mrs. Frederick H. Tillinghast Figures in the Rescue.

Alexandria Bay, N.Y., Sept. 28.—Mrs. Frederick H. Tillinghast, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Osborne, who is a guest on board the houseboat Arcadia here, was the principal lead in a thrilling and dramatic rescue from drowning of two women in the St. Lawrence river recently.

The Arcadia is anchored near Edgewood park, and two young women, bathing at the Edgewood club, were swept out to sea in the St. Lawrence, and went out beyond their depths. They had lost all control and were sinking when Mrs. Tillinghast, seeing the danger, swam out to them and succeeded in bringing them to shore. Mrs. Tillinghast is an expert swimmer and has received special training in life saving.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborne spend the summers on their houseboat Arcadia at the Thousand Islands and the winter at the Billmore in New York. Mrs. Tillinghast is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Osborne and is one of the most beautiful young women at the Thousand Islands. She is the former "Betty" Osborne and is noted for her beauty as well as her prowess in swimming and golf.

EXPERTS WILL LEAVE ABOUT OCTOBER 15TH

There is Considerable Opposition to Them in New Cabinet.

Ottawa, Sept. 28.—It is stated on reliable authority that the Griffenbogens will depart from the Canadian Civil Service on October 15th, which is considerably earlier than the two months' notice the firm anticipated.

Their re-organization of the post office department is incomplete, and it is said the experts have been using their persuasion to be allowed to remain for a longer period. In the new cabinet there is considerable opposition to the firm, and it is unlikely that they will be retained beyond the fifteenth.

No announcement has been forthcoming as to how re-organization will be carried on, though it is assumed that it will be continued under the direction of the Civil Service Commission.

THINK MEN ARE FAVORING A STRIKE

The Leaders of the Big Four Brotherhoods Are Looking For It.

Chicago, Sept. 28.—Leaders of the Big Four brotherhoods and affiliated railroad unions, last night declared that they had little doubt that the railway employees had voted for a general strike rather than accept a wage reduction, but announced that the conservative counsel of the leaders might prevail against a walk-out.

General chairman of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen began counting the 186,000 strike ballots of their men, but admitted before the first envelope was opened that, judging from the known temper of the men, the result will be overwhelmingly in favor of a strike. Giving an estimated majority, Vice-President James Murdock said: "Our past experience has been that ninety-eight per cent. of the men will always vote to strike."

HOUSE OF BISHOPS DISCUSSES UNION

Delegates Are in Attendance From Every Province of Dominion.

Toronto, Sept. 28.—The house of bishops of the church of England in Canada is meeting in St. Alban's cathedral to prepare for the general synod, which will meet at Hamilton next week. Bishops from every diocese in the dominion are in attendance, and the house is presided over by the primate, Archbishop MacIsaac, of Rupert's Land. There are twenty-five bishops present.

Their general synod which meets triennially, is the highest court and legislative body of the Anglican church. The last two meetings were held in Toronto, where the chief subject of discussion and legislative action was the revision of the book of common prayer. The outstanding question to be considered at the forthcoming meeting will be the reunion of Christendom and the possibility of the union of the Anglican church with other churches in Canada.

POPULATION OF U.S. IS NOW 105,000,000

Increase of Whites Is Less Than Shown in Previous Decade.

Washington, Sept. 28.—Revised census figures place the population of the country as of Jan. 1st, 1920, at 105,710,620, comprising 94,820,915 whites, 10,463,131 negroes, 244,437 Indians, 110,010 Japanese, and 61,639 Chinese.

The rate of white increase for the decade was 16 per cent, against 22.3 per cent. for the decade, 1900-1910, the decline being explained by the reduction of immigration during the war. The rate of negro increase, which is unaffected by immigration or emigration, is far the lowest of record, due to decreasing birth rate.

SHOULD BE READY TO MAKE POISON GAS

Chemical Industry Should Be Developed to Meet War Emergency.

London, Sept. 28.—While there is a growing demand here that the Washington conference should take up the question of poison gas warfare and try to bring about its abolition, Field Marshal Sir Henry Wilson, chief of the Imperial general staff, now warns his countrymen that the chemical industry of this country should be so developed as to be ready for any emergency.

Owing to his position and because of the British delegation's military advisers, the field marshal's utterance is vested with increased importance. In Sir Edward Thorpe's recent address before the British Association, this noted scientist said his colleagues should no longer be compelled to prostitute their knowledge to develop poison gases, and his remarks won widespread commendation.

Sir Henry's warning is contained in an introduction to the forthcoming book by Major Victor Lefebvre entitled "The Riddle of the Rhine: Chemical Strategy in Peace and War." Here the field marshal says: "Recent publications in the press have shown a tendency to deal with the subject on purely sentimental grounds, and attempts have been made to declare this form of warfare illegitimate without full and careful consideration of all the facts and their significance for the future.

"It is not for me to express any opinion here as to the desirability of using gas as a weapon or as to the possibility of 'preventing an enemy using it. But I am convinced that a decision come to without full knowledge of the facts may involve grave danger and preventable heavy loss of life."

WELLAND CANAL SETTLEMENT

Ottawa, Sept. 28.—The question of working conditions and rates of pay for labor on the Welland ship canal was settled yesterday by the department of labor. The scale of pay ranges from 37 cents for laborers to \$7 cents an hour for engineers. The wages are to be effective as from Sept. 1st, and regulations as to working conditions will apply as from October 1st.

LAST WORD OF CABINET

Which Will Refuse to Recognize Claim of Irish Independence.

London, Sept. 28.—Barring possible dissension by certain cabinet ministers, a peace conference between Sinn Fein plenipotentiaries and the British cabinet committee will be held in London next week, it is learned.

The note from Lloyd George inviting de Valera to send a deputation was to be forwarded to-day and made public Thursday, according to present plans.

The views of nearly all the various British ministers who have been considering the tough draft of Lloyd George's proposed reply had been received yesterday, according to a report from Gibraltar. There was no reason, it was said, to anticipate that any serious opposition to the line the premier had taken had arisen.

In that case the reply would indicate clearly to de Valera, it was said, that it was the last word of the British government on the subject of the proposed conference. It would definitely refuse to recognize independence, while leaving de Valera and his colleagues free to do so if they chose.

THE CAMPAIGN HAS NOT BEGUN TO WARM UP YET

The Government Expects to Reclaim the Female Vote of 1917.

Ottawa, Sept. 28.—As viewed from the capital, the election campaign has not begun to warm up as yet, for will it: till nominations are more general. Conventions are being arranged for all over the country and when the cabinet ministers return here for a council meeting on Friday, at which dissolution is expected, they will bring or have reports of their preliminary survey throughout the country.

The new factor this time will be the woman's vote. One authority has figured out that there will be a predominance of female voters in the proportion of 52 to 48 per cent, respectively. Compared with those who exercised the franchise at the war-time elections, the women's vote this time will be enormously increased.

Government supporters hope to retain that female support which went to them in 1917, while all three parties are sedulously cultivating the voters who will register this year for the first time. It is largely an unknown and unsizeable quantity, so much so that many of the old line politicians would have preferred that this virtuous act of general enfranchisement had been deferred, at least a year or so.

HAVE A PLAN TO REVIVE HOME AND EXPORT TRADE

By Extension of Credits in Order to Help the Unemployed.

London, Sept. 28.—The British cabinet committee discussed the unemployment situation yesterday and a plan to revive home and export trade by the extension of credits was one of the matters taken up. The prime minister favors relief undertakings of considerable magnitude, but he recently told the laborite mayors he could not place the whole burden on the state. He plans to consult a number of the leaders in commerce and industry at Gibraltar on Friday, and will likely hear the views of the union leaders.

UNITED STATES TO TEST BIG BOMBS AND GUNS

New York, Sept. 28.—Bombs twice as large as those dropped by the Germans in the world war, the heaviest mobile pieces of artillery yet built in this country, and a machine gun which fires bullets further than the Browning the Americans used abroad will be part of a big demonstration of the newest developments in United States ordnance, to be made before several hundred leading American engineers, officers of the navy bureau of ordnance and ranking army officers at the Aberdeen proving grounds here on Friday, October 7th.

WILL LABOR AID MEIGHEN

Toronto Mail-Empire Thinks Trades Unionists Are With Government.

Toronto Mail and Empire.

Ottawa, Sept. 28.—Two great factors in the election will be the returned soldiers and organized Labor. Now that the campaign is under way there are many indications of the trend of thought on public affairs in these two great elements of our electorate. The great body of the veterans will support the government. While they have not obtained all they believe they are entitled to, yet they prefer to trust their fortunes to those who stood by them in the war, rather than to either party based on hostility to military service during the war. Many of the most prominent soldiers, both in the overseas army and in the after-war soldier organizations will appear on the hustings in support of Premier Meighen.

Attitude of Labor.

In Labor circles the trend of the same organizations is to support the government, and its policy of protection. Organized Labor is opposed to direct political action, and will not support the Independent Labor party, which is socialistic in the extreme. The break between the trade unionists and the Independent Labor party, a small but loud element, is complete, and the real Labor leaders will support the government in preference to the extremists, who would use their organizations for personal political advantage. During the campaign many prominent Labor leaders will take the platform on behalf of the government. Even in the Independent Labor party there is a split, with one faction denouncing the farmers, and another in alliance with the Wood-Crerar forces. Here again it is the most extreme element that is seeking to solidify the Labor and Farmer parties.

Won't Support King.

A prominent Labor man, who has for years been an officer of one of the railway unions, when shown the report from Toronto to the effect that James Murdock had announced his intention of throwing his energies into the election campaign in the interests of the Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, stated he did not believe the report. He pointed out that Mr. Murdock has for many years been an executive officer of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, and that it is difficult to understand how a Labor leader of Mr. Murdock's standing could subscribe to the Labor policies of Mr. King's followers. It was further observed that Mr. King's support comes mainly from the province of Quebec, and that the Labor policy of Mr. King's Quebec followers was enunciated by Mr. Ernest Lapointe during the last session of parliament, in his attack upon all international unions, and his defence of the National Catholic Union movement, and that, in view of these facts, it is difficult to believe that Mr. Murdock could throw his energies into an election campaign in support of any such Labor policy.

OVER NINE FEET TALL

Jan. Biggest Boy in World, Startles Folks in Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 28.—"Gosh-a-mighty, but that guy's long for this world," said a startled negro porter as Jan Van Albert doubled up like a jackknife, squeezed through the door of a Pullman car, straightened up to his full height of nine feet, five inches, gave the roof of the car an affectionate pat and then hustled to a telephone to order his breakfast—a meal that would stagger five ordinary men.

"The biggest boy in the world"—he is only 19 1/2—is stopping off in Chicago, en route to Glenwood, Ill., where he will meet his wife. By way of diversion he can walk about the streets and look in the second storey windows.

HORSE TOOK FRIGHT

Backed Rig Over Embankment, Killing Driver.

Cornwall, Ont., Sept. 28.—A fatal accident occurred Sunday night on the south bank of the Nation River, Nation Valley, when Marshall Merkle, a well known citizen, was killed. He was driving home with his daughter, Lillie, when his horse took fright at some steel pile on the side of the road for a culvert, and backed the milk rig over the embankment. The horse stumbled over, falling on Merkle. The daughter, who was not seriously hurt, managed to get her father free. He only lived a few hours afterwards. The horse was practically uninjured when released.

Montreal Short of Water.

Montreal, Sept. 28.—Because the city council, led by Mayor Martin, refused to sanction the cost of the completion of a new aqueduct and the provision of three new electric pumps, Montreal is facing a very serious water shortage.

MISS EDNA MILLER

Of New York, just returned from Bermuda, came back with no less than twelve marriage proposals under her wing. Here she is.