

CAN'T REVIVE FORMER PACT

A New Reciprocity Agreement Would Have To Be Made.

Washington, D.C., March 2.—Hon. William Stevens Fielding, minister of finance of the Canadian government, who has been in Washington sounding out leaders in the Republican administration over a possibility of a reciprocity trade agreement between Canada and the United States, left this city last night for Ottawa to report the result of his mission, and will carry back word to the effect that there is no possibility of revival of the ill-fated reciprocity agreement of 1911, as negotiated in the Taft administration. He will be able to report, however, it is understood, that President Harding will probably be willing to take up with the Canadians, under authority of a provision that may be in the new American tariff law, the negotiation of a new reciprocity agreement with Canada, if that is possible to be obtained by negotiations.

Mr. Fielding completed his mission to Washington yesterday afternoon with a conference with President Harding at the White House. The conference was arranged at the request of the British embassy. Neither the White House nor Mr. Fielding has authorized any statement as to the result of the visit of the Canadian, but it was learned in other quarters last night that the situation is such in Washington that the 1911 agreement cannot be revived.

The Canadian minister saw Chairman Fordney, of the House Ways and Means committee, and learned that it would be futile to attempt to revive the old reciprocity agreement of 1911, but that Mr. Fordney would not be adverse to the institution of new reciprocity negotiations under a provision in the Fordney bill. Mr. Fielding also saw Secretaries Hoover and Mellon and other American officials.

McCumber Opposed.
Washington, March 2.—Opposition to any general reciprocity agreement with Canada was voiced today by Chairman McCumber, of the Senate Finance committee, when informed that Hon. W. S. Fielding, Canadian finance minister, was in Washington in the interests of such an agreement.

"Canada has only agricultural products to send to the United States under such an agreement," he said, "and we have an exportable surplus of such commodities."

Better Understanding.
Ottawa, March 2.—Government and Progressive circles here will receive intimation that reciprocity will not be favored by the present United States congress with regret, although it was felt that at the present juncture Mr. Fielding would be able to do little more than survey the ground. It is thought that the conversations will lead to a better understanding between the two governments. It is not likely, however, that any further steps will be taken at the approaching session of parliament than a declaration of policy.

NOT GUARANTEED AGAINST THE PEACE TROUBLERS

The French Premier Says That France Wishes to Guarantee Peace.

Paris, March 2.—Premier Poincaré, speaking at a luncheon given by the Anglo-American Press Association yesterday, said that "French imperialism is old scarecrow which long ago was laid to rest alongside the tomb of Napoleon in Invalides." He declared there was not a single Frenchman who had thought either for the present, for to-morrow or for a later period, of any warlike enterprise or of annexations.

"We have no other wish than to guarantee peace," he said, "but unfortunately we are not guaranteed against those who might trouble it."

Unrest in Punjab causing grave alarm.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.



My wife makes me wipe off my shoes with a rag before she'll let me step on the hardwood floor.—L.T.M. What Does Your Wife Do?

KING GEORGE ASKS \$1,079 DAMAGES

Fort Worth, Texas, March 2.—King George of Britain, through his attorneys, has filed suit in the district court here against President Harding, asking damages of \$1,079 for alleged non-delivery by the Rock Island Railway of sixty-four cases of corned beef during the war.

Mary Doesn't Have to Pay.
New York, March 2.—Mary Pickford does not have to pay Mrs. Cora Wickenburg any part of \$108,000 which the latter claimed was due her as commissions for getting the film star a salary increase.

TORY CHARGES ARE MADE

J. M. Campbell Declares There Is No Foundation For Them.

Toronto, March 2.—Accompanied by \$1,000 deposit as guarantee of good faith, a cross petition in the Kingston election case has been filed by Brig-Gen. A. E. Ross against John Murdoch Campbell, Liberal candidate. There are the usual allegations that Mr. Campbell by himself and through his agents has been guilty of bribery, treating, undue influence, personation and other illegal and corrupt acts. It is alleged that he gave and lent money to the electors to induce them to vote or refrain from voting, that he advanced money for bribery, refreshment of electors and that he or his friends have indulged in intimidation to induce or compel voters to vote or refrain from voting. Other illegal acts are the hire of teams, autos, the paying of traveling expenses of electors. The applicant asks for a declaration of court that Mr. Campbell is disqualified, and that he cannot sit in the house of commons, vote at any election of a member therefor, or hold any office in nomination of the crown or of the governor-general of Canada.

Mr. Campbell intimates that all the Tory charges against him have no foundation whatever. He violated no election laws.

FIELDING MIGHT ACCEPT RECIPROcity INSTALMENT

If He Cannot Get a Whole Treaty—The Position at Ottawa.

Ottawa, March 1.—The assumption that reciprocity with the United States is practically assured as the result of Mr. Fielding's visit to Washington is somewhat premature. However, if the American authorities admit the validity of the pact of 1911 on their side then the obvious course of the King government is to introduce the old reciprocity bill, modified by adjustments made necessary by tariff changes since 1911, the reduction in the schedules on agricultural implements, and pass it through the commons, where it would be assured of an enormous majority. It would then have to face the senate. The first impulse of the strong Tory majority entrenched there would be to reject it, but careful consideration of the situation might lead to soberer thoughts, and the senate might think twice before it vetoed legislation which has been passed with an overwhelming majority in a house of commons endowed with a complete fresh mandate. They would fear with some justification to provoke a popular outcry which might bring awkward refusals and raise the whole question of the powers and future of the existing upper house.

The Harding administration would have to take into consideration the attitude of the "agricultural bloc" and it is quite certain that it would ask from the King government definite assurance that a fresh pact would not suffer the same fate at Ottawa as its predecessor. The Americans would be very unwilling to run the risk of a second rebuff and it is very doubtful what assurances against it could be given them.

If Mr. Fielding cannot get the whole treaty, he might be content with an instalment.

BOTH FATHER AND SON SENTENCED TO PRISON

Brenners, of Toronto, Came to Portsmouth For Conspiracy and Theft.

Toronto, March 2.—Convicted on February 9th, on various counts of conspiracy and theft, involving some \$700,000, Meyer Brenner to-day received sentence of seven years' imprisonment in the Portsmouth penitentiary, while his father was sentenced to two years, less one day, by Justice Riddell. The charges against Nathan Brenner included conspiracy and theft, while those against Meyer also included destruction and mutilation of books.



LEADING WOMEN LIBERALS WHO ARE TAKING PART IN ONTARIO CONVENTION. Top row, left to right: Miss Helen Doherty, secretary of East Ontario Liberal Association; Mrs. W. McClements, of Hamilton, and Mrs. Charles of Peterboro. Middle photo: Mrs. H. D. Petrie, of Hamilton, and Mrs. P. McEvoy, of Ottawa. Lower photo: Mrs. George Brooks, of Webbwood, and Mrs. F. E. Andrews, of Massey, East Algoma, two of the youngest lady delegates present.

MUST CURB DIE-HARDS

Or Lloyd George Will Resign—Looks Like British Election.

London, March 2.—Prime Minister Lloyd George has presented an ultimatum to the coalition Conservatives, in which they are given the alternative of smothering the constitutionally sanctioned leadership, or of accepting his resignation as head of the government.

The premier's protest, which has caused great excitement in political circles, is in the form of a communication addressed to Austen Chamberlain, as leader of the Unionist wing of the coalition, in which he calls attention to the independence recently assumed by Sir George Younger, chairman of the Unionist organization, and announces that he cannot submit to dictation from such a quarter. He is quite willing, he says, to continue in collaboration with the Unionists so long as Chamberlain or Balfour is recognized as spokesman for the party, but he makes it clear that if the tendency to split the Unionists into groups is permitted to go on unchecked, he will be forced to consider his own position as the coalition premier.

Look For Early Election.

London, March 2.—It is believed here that an early general election or resignation of Premier Lloyd George will be the upshot of the present political crisis.

J. J. Jeffries May Become A Preaching Evangelist

Los Angeles, Cal., March 2.—Former world's champion fighter, James J. Jeffries, may become an evangelist, following a visit from A. P. Suttner, a friend of the former pugilist's father, who was a minister of the gospel. "My desire is to bring religion closer to the hearts of the men of to-day," Jeffries is quoted as saying by the Examiner here.

No witnesses have arrived in Hamilton from North Carolina and it is believed that Matthew Bullock, the negro for whom extradition the United States has applied, will be released by Judge Snider on Friday.

Winston Churchill promises security to non-Jews in Palestine.

GUARD HONEYMOONERS FROM INTRUDING EYES

Girl Guides Keep Watch Over Gates of Beautiful Shropshire Estate.

Shifnal, Eng., March 2.—Princess Mary, now Viscountess Lascelles, and her husband yesterday enjoyed the peace and quiet of a Shropshire honeymoon, far from the cheering, excited throngs that greeted them on their wedding procession Tuesday.

Girl Guides guarded the gates of Lord Bradford's magnificent estate, Weston Park, which has been turned over to the couple for the first part of their honeymoon, to prevent unauthorized photographers and journalists from disturbing the viscount and his bride.

FIRST WOMAN IN HOUSE OF LORDS

London, March 2.—The petition of Lady Rhonda to sit in the House of Lords was granted by the committee on privileges of the House of Lords today. If she takes the seat awarded her by this ruling, she will be the first woman to sit in the upper house of the British parliament.

Celebrate Wedding.

London, March 2.—In the provinces celebrations occurred on a scale similar to those in London. At Harewood, the home of the bridegroom, the children of the tenants of the Harewood estate were entertained at tea and games during the afternoon. They were taken to Leeds at night to view the wedding scenes in motion pictures.

Balmoral, Scotland, Celebrated the Event in True Scottish Fashion.

Balmoral, Scotland, celebrated the event in true Scottish fashion. Highlanders and pipers from the royal estates, marching up the mountain overlooking the royal castle and lit a huge bonfire.

A Board of Alienists.

Toronto, March 2.—J. W. Curry, K.C., Liberal member for South-East Toronto, in the legislature yesterday afternoon introduced a bill to provide for a provincial board of alienists. This would do away with the calling of experts on the side of the crown and for the defence, making the board's report sufficient for the court to act upon.

Goes To Paris Bank.

London, March 2.—Col. J. B. Donnelly, London, manager for the Merchants Bank, has been appointed assistant manager for the Bank of Montreal in Paris. Col. Pope, whom Col. Donnelly replaces, will return to Quebec, where he will become manager of the St. Roch branch of the Bank of Montreal.

Lindsay woman given damages by jury against taxi driver.

NO CONCERN OF POWERS

Great Britain and Egypt Will Settle Their Own Business.

London, March 2.—Announcement of the recognition of Egypt's sovereignty is embodied in the publication of two official papers, one from Lord Curzon to Lord Allenby, British Governor in Egypt, and the other from Lord Allenby to the Sultan.

Enthitled "A Declaration to Egypt" and confirming the Government's decision, Lord Allenby's letter is somewhat in the form of a proclamation. It recites that:

"Whereas His Majesty's Government, in accordance with their declared intentions, desire forthwith to recognize Egypt as an independent and sovereign state, and

"Whereas the relations of His Majesty's Government and Egypt are of vital interest to the British Empire, the following principles are hereby declared:

"The British protectorate is terminated and Egypt is declared an independent and sovereign state."

The document goes on to declare that as soon as Egypt shall enact internally legislation applying to all inhabitants, the present martial law will be withdrawn.

Foreign Powers Not Concerned.

The prime minister told the House the British government was prepared to make agreements with the Egyptian government, in a spirit of mutual accommodation, but until agreements satisfactory to both sides were conducted the status quo would remain intact.

"We regard the special relations between ourselves and Egypt as a matter concerning only the government of Egypt and ourselves," the premier said.

"Foreign powers are not concerned and we purpose to state this unmistakably when the termination of the protectorate is notified to them. The welfare and integrity of Egypt are necessary to the peace and safety of the British Empire, which will therefore always maintain as an essential British interest the special relations between itself and Egypt long recognized by other governments."

FIVE CENTS AN HOUR LESS.

The Ottawa Stonecutters Will Accept Reduction.
Ottawa, March 2.—H. Birkett, secretary of the Stonecutters' Association of Ottawa, announced that after negotiation between three firms in the city employing stonecutters, and the men, an amicable arrangement had been reached whereby the men would accept a cut in wages after May 1st, when the present agreement expires, of five cents an hour.

The men at present get a scale of sixty cents an hour.

GIRLS ARE ADVISED TO MARRY FOR LOVE

Woman Who Has Eight Husbands Living Goes to Reformatory.

Cleveland, March 2.—Girls who anticipate a happy wedded life should marry for love and not for a home or money, Mrs. Jennie Seaman, who today was taken to the Marysville reformatory to serve an indeterminate term for bigamy, declared here. She admitted she married eight men without obtaining a divorce from any.

"I wouldn't advise any girl to marry unless she knows what she is doing," Mrs. Seaman said. "I married when I was eighteen, hoping to get a good home.

"My first husband was a teacher of languages in Nashville, Tenn. I got him through a matrimonial paper, I didn't love him, and in looking back I realize now that I never loved any man. But I wanted a good home, so I left my home in Pennsylvania and went with him to Nashville.

"We lived together about a year, and I found out he was a crook. Even on our honeymoon he got a number of books in Cincinnati he never paid for. I learned later he had been sent to Sing Sing prison for nineteen years.

"My next husband was a bartender. We lived together for about twelve years. He got to drinking too much and was very abusive, so I left him in Meadville, Pa.

"My third was a waiter, whom I met in a restaurant where I worked in Buffalo. Then I married a ten-pin setter in a bowling alley. My fifth was a coffee house proprietor in Buffalo. Then I married a chef, a laborer and a fake detective, a Cleveland man. He's in the reformatory now.

"Drinking and cigarettes were the cause of some of my troubles. I'm converted now and I mean to be perfect hereafter.

"I advise every girl not to marry for a home or money. I see now that the happiness of married life must come through love."

Mrs. Seaman, who is forty-two, said she never heard directly from any of her husbands after she left them. They may all be living for all I know, she said.

COURT TURNS TABLES ON THIS MAGICIAN

Sends Him To Jail For Enticing Away Another Man's Wife.

New York, March 2.—Harry Callaghan, by profession a magician, yielded the palm for legerdemain to Magistrate Levine in Jefferson Market court late today and retired in confusion to Blackwells island where he will spend the next month thinking up some new tricks.

Callaghan, appearing in court on behalf of a young woman, arrested on a statutory charge, assured the court he was her husband and would exercise his arts to see that she behaved, if the magistrate would just let her off.

"What would you say if the real husband of this woman were to appear right now?" asked the magistrate.

"Oh, you honor, that wouldn't be possible," said the magician, "as I, her husband, am already here."

The magistrate made mystic passes with his hands; a door opened; a young man stepped forth—and the magician's "wife" fainted.

The husband, whose name was withheld, testified Callaghan had enticed the young woman away from husband, home and baby. Magistrate Levine gave him six months for vagrancy.

TYPICALLY BRITISH

London Star Comments on the Royal Marriage.

London, March 2.—The Star, one of London's most reasonable, democratic organs, says editorially that the House of Windsor proclaimed, once for all, by the adoption of that surname, that it was English to the core and had renounced all consanguineous foreign taints. "The fashion which in the days of Victoria," the Star says, "exalted everything German, even to the inventing of a new Scottish tartan on German lines, has vanished, and the Royal house remains typically an English family, allying itself with great houses of English nobility, rather than with German Pumpernickels and Schwarzenbergs." Continuing, the Star says: "The English people recognize in Princess Mary one of the fine flowers of an English home, and see in her traits which they regard as typically British. We have no desire to offer sycophantic adulation, but we aver that this occasion (the Princess' wedding) is one when the whole nation wishes well to the Princess and Viscountess Lascelles."

Accept Canadian Money at Par.

Seattle, March 2.—Seattle retail stores now will accept Canadian money at par for the first time in more than two years, it was announced yesterday by the retail trade bureau of the Seattle chamber of commerce.

The Yap treaty was ratified without reservation or amendments by the United States senate.

BIG MEETING OF LIBEBALS

W. T. R. Preston Chosen Chairman and Mrs. H. Carpenter Vice-Chairman.

Toronto, March 2.—W. T. R. Preston, of Port Hope, was elected as permanent chairman of the Liberal convention yesterday afternoon. J. C. Elliott, ex-M.P., Misses, ran him a close race. Following the first ballot, Thomas McMillan, Huron, and A. J. Young, Toronto, withdrew. George Ramsden, Toronto, and Alex. Smith, Ottawa, having previously taken the same step.

Ex-Controller George Ramsden opened the convention. The first detail claiming the attention of the delegates was a telegram from Premier King regretting his forced absence from the convention, and wishing a successful session.

A snag was struck when Major K. S. Stovor, M.P.P., for Algoma, took the floor and stated that he desired to have the air cleared at once of rumors and reports which had been gaining some currency.

"I want to make it plain that the Liberal party is not going to become an adjunct of the U.F.O.," said he. Immediately there was some clapping and cries of "No, no." When the chairman pointed out that Major Stovor was not in order the speaker appealed for a decision from the house. A standing vote unanimously upheld Mr. Ramsden's ruling.

Following this interruption H. H. Horsey, of Prince Edward, presented the report of the credentials committee as its chairman.

Mrs. Harry Carpenter, Hamilton, president of Ontario Women's Liberal Association, was then unanimously elected vice-chairman, and Mr. Preston assumed his duties as chairman of the convention, asserting that "this is the proudest moment of my life—to be elected presiding officer of the greatest democratic parliament in Ontario."

Mrs. Carpenter was then called to the platform in a tumult of cheering, and briefly expressed her thanks.

Messrs. Hays, Tolmie and Sinclair are mentioned for the leadership of the Ontario Liberals.

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TUT! TUT! NURSES DO NOT SMOKE CIGARETTES

W.C.T.U. President Says Toronto Hospital Has a Nurses' Smoking Room.

London, Ont., March 2.—A smoking-room for nurses in a new Toronto hospital is causing the W.C.T.U. some worry. That cigarette smoking has grown to an alarming extent among the Canadian women of to-day and that it is a cause of the downfall of girls was stated by Mrs. Gordon Wright, president of the W.C.T.U. of Canada, and Mrs. Ida Harrison, W.C.T.U. social worker, at the regular meeting of the local organization yesterday afternoon.

"Must Be a Joke." That must be a joke," said Superintendent Decker, of the Toronto General, "so far as this hospital is concerned."

"We have a room in which convalescent male patients smoke, but I state emphatically that I have never seen a nurse smoking at this hospital."

RACE TO THE CONCLAVE IS DECLARED THE LAST

America Too Important to Be Ignored, Pope Tells Cardinal O'Connell.

Rome, March 2.—All the American cardinals will be present at the next conclave, said Pope Pius during an audience with Cardinal O'Connell of Boston.

"There will be no more racing 5,000 miles in a vain endeavor to reach Rome in time for a conclave," the pontiff added. "The United States is too important to be ignored as she has been. I shall see to it that what happened at the last conclave shall not occur again."

Automobile Thief Gets 10 Years.

Montreal, March 2.—After remarking that automobile thefts in the city were becoming too common and that they must be stopped, Judge Bazin, sentenced Ernest Bastein and Yvon Starmour, address unknown, to ten and six years, respectively, for stealing two cars owned by Aid. Leroy Shaw and A. Decaris. The accused admitted having stolen as many as six cars at different times.

Fire in Newspaper Office.

Cornwall, March 2.—Fire on Tuesday night originating from an electric switchboard did damage in the office of the Freeholder newspaper and crippled the plant temporarily. The press-room was seriously affected through water and other parts of the plant damaged.