

CUTS THINGS TO THE BONE

Fielding to Save the Country \$138,452,291 This Year.

Ottawa, March 25.—Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, placed the estimates on the table of the Commons yesterday afternoon.

Indians Are Prosperous. Ottawa, March 25.—The Indians as a class are self-supporting, and, according to the annual report of the deputy superintendent-general of Indian affairs, which has been placed before parliament by the minister of the interior, the proportion of Indians indigent and in need of assistance is smaller than the corresponding class among the white population.

SON OF MILLIONAIRE LOSES FOURTEEN DOLLAR JOB Syracuse, N.Y., March 25.—"Jimmy Sanford, son of the millionaire turfman, William Sanford, has lost his \$14-a-week office job with a local typewriter manufacturing company.

Bullock Wisely Changes His Place of Residence Toronto, March 25.—Matthew Bullock, who won his fight against deportation to North Carolina, has disappeared from Toronto and only intimate friends know his whereabouts.

Divorce Committee Sits. Ottawa, March 25.—The divorce mill has begun to grind. The first sitting of the senate divorce committee was held yesterday, when half a dozen applications were dealt with.

Imports Fall Off. Ottawa, March 25.—Imports into Canada for the twelve months ending February reached a total value of \$761,026,261.00, as compared with \$1,290,067,546 for the previous twelve-month period, and \$992,876,003 for the period preceding that.

NOT SPEAKER'S DUTY TO START THE PROBE INTO THAT "AWFUL LAST NIGHT" Celebration in Legislative Buildings.

Toronto, March 25.—As the result of repeated requests for an investigation into the "last awful night" celebration, which was held at the legislature in the spring of 1921, Hon. Nelson Parliment, speaker of the house, has been at some pains to consult parliamentary precedents and authorities to discover who should start such a probe if one is demanded.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.



My wife always jumps from the dinner table to catch a moth. A.W.H. What Does Your Wife Do?

CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL DISPOSAL OF LIQUOR

Toronto, March 25.—Attorney-General Raney's test cases in connection with the recent seizure of liquor shipments from motor trucks on the Hamilton highway have been extended to include Toronto distillers.

PLAN TO STAMP OUT DISEASES OF CATTLE

The British Agricultural Head Favors the International Movement.

London, March 25.—A somewhat novel proposal was made in the House of Commons last night during discussion of Board of Agriculture estimates, namely, for international co-operation in dealing with cattle diseases, especially the foot and mouth disease.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, president of the Board of Agriculture, declared that he proposed to approach some of the European governments, asking their assistance in international research. He thought much would depend on the French government's reception of the scheme, but said if the various governments would pool their experience and make common use of any new discoveries, much could be done to combat cattle diseases.

Will Put End to Anxiety In Many Quarters

London, March 25.—"Welcome news will put an end to anxiety in many quarters, lest the great results of the Washington conference should be imperilled by invisible accidents and contingencies of every day politics, both within and outside the United States," says the Times today, commenting on the ratification of the four-power treaty by the United States senate.

PETITION FOR RELEASE OF DOUGHTY IS REFUSED

Grounds Not Stated—Another Effort to Free Him Will Be Made.

Ottawa, March 25.—A petition for the release under license on the grounds of clemency of John Doughty, held in Portsmouth penitentiary for the theft of victory bonds belonging to the Ambrose Small estate, has been refused by his excellency the governor-general. The grounds for the refusal are not, however, stated.

The petitioners whose names are not divulged, are understood to have based their request for release on the grounds that Doughty was the lawful custodian of the bonds in question, that he had been authorized to do so by Ambrose Small, his employer, and that he would have been derelict in his duty had he handed them over to anybody but Small himself.

The grounds are not considered sufficient here to justify release, especially as Doughty has served but a small portion of his sentence. It has been rumored that application may later be made on Doughty's behalf upon representation that he is in a position, if protected, to give valuable evidence in connection with the Small case. This is at the present time a matter for the provincial authorities to deal with, and no official intimation of such a proposal has yet come before the clemency branch.

FORD COMPANY ADOPTS FORTY-HOUR WEEK

Will Close All Saturday—Add 3,000 Men to the Force.

Detroit, Mich., March 25.—Adoption of a forty-four week as a permanent policy in all plants of the Ford Motor Car Company was announced last night by Edsel B. Ford, president of the company. Under the new plans the factories will be closed Saturday and Sunday and about three thousand men will be added to the force. The change will affect approximately fifty thousand employees; who will continue to receive a minimum of six dollars a day wage.

Defence Is An Alibi.

New York, March 25.—Opening the defence of Tex Rickard, charged with criminally assaulting 15-year-old Sarah Schoenfeld, counsel for the sport promoter, told the jury that a perfect alibi would be proved for November 12th, 1921, the date of the alleged offence.

CONFERR UPON THE HORRORS

Irish Government Leaders Called to London, By Colonial Office.

London, March 25.—The Colonial Office today received notification that Arthur Griffith, president of the Dail Eireann, and Eamon Duggan, minister of home affairs, would arrive in London Monday in response to a request for conference on the Ulster situation. Sir James Craig, Ulster premier, has also been invited.

Profound Horror.

London, March 25.—Newspapers here express profound horror at the savage murders in Belfast of five members of the Owen MacMahon family and many of them in roundly denouncing the continuance of the murder campaign in Belfast, are disposed to hold the Northern government responsible for having failed to exercise sufficient repressive measures. The Daily Sketch quotes Sir Nevill McCreedy, military commander of Ireland, as stating that the Ulster government is incompetent.

HAS CHARMED LIFE.

R.A.F. Corporal Survives His Fourth Disaster.

London, March 25.—Corporal McCausland, of the Royal Air Force, seems to bear a charmed life. Yesterday he survived his fourth air disaster by jumping from a machine which nose dived to earth from a height of a thousand feet. McCausland was twenty feet from the ground and was so little hurt that he walked round the wrecked machine afterwards. He escaped in similar fashion three times previously. The flying officer who was in the machine with him today was terribly injured and died in a few minutes.

Coal Mining in Western Canada Stops April 1st

Calgary, Alta., March 25.—Cessation of work in all mines in district 13 of the United Mine Workers of America, comprising Alberta and Eastern British Columbia, will take place on April 1st, according to a statement made by Robert Livet, international board member, after receiving a letter from the Western Canada Coal Operators Association last night.

Member of Party Had Feet Frozen.

Renfrew, March 25.—J. C. Bond is convalescing here with his sister, after having his two great toes amputated in Cochrane hospital as a result of having them badly frozen. Mr. Bond is a member of the party that is surveying the new extension of the T. & N. O. Railway to James Bay.

The ice gave way with Mr. Bond while he was engaged in taking soundings of the Long Sault Rapids, and he was forced to walk two miles on snowshoes in his wet clothing with the result that both his feet were badly frozen.

Contraband Firearms.

Chief Phillips and Provincial Constable Russell made a visit to several homes in Smith's Falls in quest of firearms. Homes visited were those of aliens—men born in foreign lands and not naturalized here. Shotguns and rifles, also a dangerous-looking knife, were found. The firearms number eleven, some of them being of a good class, while others are of an old type. All will be sent away to Toronto. The men from whom they were taken will be summoned to appear in police court.

Drop in Tomato Prices.

Cobourg, March 25.—Contracts for raising tomatoes are being made with farmers in different parts of Northumberland county at 35c per bushel. This is a drop of 25c on the general price paid a couple of years ago.

BRAZILIAN HELD ON A SMUGGLING CHARGE

U. S. Agents Found Gems of Estimated Value of Over \$100,000 on Person.

New York, March 25.—A fortune in diamonds, alleged to have been smuggled here from South America and estimated at \$100,000 to \$125,000, was found on Francisco Chamble, a rubber dealer of Brazil, and said to be well known there, who was arrested by special agents of the Treasury Department. According to the agents, Chamble had on his person eight envelopes containing diamonds, set and unset, including six large stones of 6 to 12 carats—almost perfect blue-white stones.

In the Brazilian's handbag, the agents said, they found a number of smaller stones, and still more in his pockets, as well as some costly platinum medallions. Some of the jewelry appeared to have a French finish, according to the agents, indicating that it had been brought from France, presumably to be smuggled here by way of South America.

Chamble arrived here March 8th on the steamship Peconic, and was shadowed by the agents on a trip from Rio de Janeiro.

According to one of the special agents the man has made several trips from Rio de Janeiro to this country.



G. N. GORDON, M.P. For West Fife, Scotland, has been appointed deputy speaker of the House of Commons.

JEWELS FOUND IN SEWER

Five-Year-Old Boy Put Mother's Gems Down Drain Pipe. Paterson, N.J., March 25.—"Sonny" Van Ritter, the five-year-old son of Edward Van Ritter, receiving teller of the Paterson National Bank found a chamois bag full of "shiny little rocks" in his mother's bureau several days ago. When Mrs. Van Ritter came home she found \$1,500 worth of precious stones missing. "Sonny" said he had thrown the "oil rocks" down a drain pipe in the Van Ritter home.

SAYS PROHIBITION FAILURE

New Brunswick Needs New System, Says Dr. McCurry. Fredericton, N.B., March 25.—Dr. L. D. McCurry, St. John county, a member supporting the government, declared during the budget debate in the Legislature yesterday that the time was here when, in the interest of progress, some new system of retail distribution of liquor in New Brunswick must be undertaken. Prohibition, he declared, was an academic theory, impracticable of successful operation in the interests of temperance, as results in this province had shown. He said it was unreasonable to expect that all doctors or all vendors would be oned-sided enough to nail down the lid tight, and that a change would produce better administration of the act, better general results, less consumption of liquor, better citizens and less hypocrisy.

C. D. Richards, Opposition House leader, in a two-hour speech in the budget debate, did not refer to the temperance question. His attack was along general lines, charging the government with extravagance.

Grand National Steeplechase.

Liverpool, March 25.—The Grand National Steeplechase, run here yesterday, was won by Hugh Kershaw's Music Hall. Joseph Widger's Driest was second, and J. C. Buttell's Taffytus was third. Thirty-two horses started.

AGED WOMAN DIES; Gives Life For Sister

Cornwall, March 25.—After fighting to save the life of her sister, Miss Susan Carr, aged fifty-five, an invalid, who was burned to death in the destruction of their home, Miss Katie Carr, aged seventy, died yesterday from burns. The fire was caused by the explosion of an oil stove, blazing off being scattered over Miss Katie Carr. Despite her burns, she ran outside and called for help, and then returned to aid her sister.

GETTING MORE LIKE ARMENIA

The Belfast Campaign of Murder—Roman Catholics Pass Resolution.

Belfast, March 25.—A freight train was held up near the city yesterday morning by twelve armed men, who opened the registered mail it was carrying and scattered the freight along the tracks. At a meeting of representative Catholics here a resolution was passed protesting against "the campaign of murder against the Catholic community." The resolution alleged that no attempt has been made by the authorities to check the atrocities, and assert that the legislation proposed by the Ulster Government would merely result in legalizing the work of the assassins.

"The position of the Catholics in Belfast is daily becoming more desperate," the resolution continues, "and can only be paralleled by the treatment meted out to the Armenians by the Turks. Just as the civilized governments felt compelled to take action then, so now we believe they would take similar action if the facts of the present situation were known."

The resolution urges the fullest inquiry into the situation.

MULCAHEY'S WARNING.

Dublin, March 25.—Richard Mulcahey, Minister of Defence in the Sinn Fein Cabinet, acting for the Irish Provisional Government, has issued a solemn warning to the Republican faction that any attempt to widen the breach between treaty and anti-treaty parties through the holding of the proposed Republican army convention Sunday will be met with drastic measures.

"Any officer or man attending the convention of the Republican section of the army on Sunday," he declared Thursday, "will sever his connection with the I. R. A."

Mulcahey charged that political friction in the army had been fomented from the outside.

PROMISES GASOLINE CAR ON PICTON C.N.R. IN PLACE OF STEAM TRAIN AS SOON AS ONE CAN BE BUILT.

Picton, March 25.—A deputation of business men and representatives of the Board of Trade, with Mayor Newman, waited on D. B. Hanna, President of the Canadian National Railways, with reference to better train service between Trenton and Picton, suggesting use of gasoline-propelled cars.

The deputation urged need of better service, pointing out that, with only two trains daily, as at present, it took business men three days to make the trip to Toronto, 130 miles distant.

Mr. Hanna stated to the deputation that to give satisfactory service a two-unit gasoline was necessary for two midway trains a day, one car not being sufficient for express, baggage and passenger service. Plans are not yet completed, he stated, for this type of car, but he promised to put on a gasoline car as soon as one could be built.

A NUMBER EXECUTED UNDER BOLSHEVIKI

Official London Thinks Actual Figure Much Smaller Than Estimated.

London, March 25.—Although the British, as well as the other Allied governments, so far have been unable to obtain any definite data as to the number of persons executed in Russia since the Bolsheviki came into power, no credence whatever is placed in reports which from time to time have estimated executions at nearly two million and sometimes five million. In the House of Commons on Monday George Lambert asked if the government had any official information to show that 1,766,000 executions had taken place since October, 1917. This report had appeared a few days previously in a Paris newspaper. The disposition in official quarters here is to place much more trust in reports which have estimated the executions at between 3,000 and 4,000.

HYDRO WAGES REDUCED 10 CENTS AN HOUR

Toronto, March 25.—Construction workers employed by the Hydro-Electric Commission at Queenston have suffered a reduction in wages of ten cents an hour, it became known yesterday when the labor organizers announced their intention of seeking an interview with the commission in the hope of retaining the former wage rates.

THINK SMALL WAS ATTACKED IN OFFICE

Theatre Staff Recall Chair Leg and Telephone Were Broken.

Toronto, March 25.—During the day's inquiries into the Ambrose Small mystery, it was stated that the day after Ambrose Small disappeared it was found that the telephone transmitter in his office had been broken, and that following the occupation of Mr. Small's office by the Capital Trust Corporation officials, it was found necessary to put a new leg on Mr. Small's office chair. The office was closed by the police when they were first brought in.

Mr. Cowan, manager of the theatre, cannot recall anything having happened to the chair. Around the theatre the staff believe the chair may be evidence that Ambrose Small was attacked in his own office.

THRILLER AT FALLS BARRED BY POLICE

An English Girl Will Not Be Permitted Tight-Rope Feat.

Niagara Falls, N.Y., March 25.—The English girl who has stated that on June 5th she will walk across the Niagara Gorge on a tight-rope will not do any such thing, Mayor Maxwell M. Thompson announced yesterday. The mayor said that under no circumstances would he issue a permit for any attempts to duplicate Blondin's feat.

After the tragic death of Charles Stephens, the English barber, who was killed last August trying to shoot the falls in a barrel, the city authorities declared that every precaution will be taken to prevent foolhardy feats of daring the vicinity of the falls.

FOREIGN POLICY OF U.S. LARGELY SHAPED BY FEAR

Feels She Would Be Worsted In Conflict With European Diplomacy.

London, March 25.—J. A. Spender, representative at Washington during the conference of the Westminster Gazette, the editorship of which he recently resigned, contributed to that paper an article on "Some By-Products of Washington" in which he argues that the foreign policy of the United States is largely shaped by the fear of Americans that they will get the worst of it if they engage in European diplomacy.

Nevertheless, the action of America is suddenly putting in a claim for payment of expenses of her army on the Rhine is reminiscent of the old German diplomacy before the war, with its sudden incursions to remind the world that Germany was to be reckoned with. He writes: "It really is of great importance that we should understand the drift of American opinion which culminated in the refusal of the United States government to go to Genoa, and in its sudden demand of \$48,000,000 in payment of expenses of the American troops on the Rhine. These proceedings represent a very distinct setback from the sentiments that prevailed in Washington in the first days of the limitation of armaments conference."

WILL GET REMUNERATION

The Medical Staffs in British Hospitals to Benefit.

London, March 25.—Now that the system of exacting payment from all patients except those who are indigent, has been generally adopted by the hospitals here as a means of meeting the financial stringency, a conference of medical men that was here under the auspices of the British medical mission decided that the medical staffs that give their services gratuitously for medical work, shall receive some remuneration for the services they render to paying patients.

Several of the speakers at the conference said they would refuse to accept payment from funds collected that way, but the supporters of the motion expressed the view that the time had passed when patients expected treatment from the medical profession as an act of charity. It was finally decided that it should be left optional whether the remuneration should be personal or go towards forming a fund for medical research and education.

WILL PLEAD NOT GUILTY

Statement Made By Sir Montague Allan And H. B. Macarow.

Montreal, March 25.—Sir H. Montagu Allan, late president of the defunct Merchants Bank, in a statement yesterday afternoon declared that he would plead not guilty to the charge laid against him by the Minister of Finance of having concurred in the submission of a false financial statement to the Federal authorities covering the bank's financial condition during the month of October last.

Sir Montagu appeared before Judge Cusson at 2.30 o'clock yesterday accompanied by two of his counsel, Messrs. Aime Geoffroy, K.C., and F. E. Meredith, K.C. As in D. C. Macarow's case, his preliminary hearing will be held in the enquete court on March 31st.

Following is the statement issued by Sir Montagu: "I do not consider myself guilty, and I will plead not guilty, but I am advised by my counsel that, in deference to the court, anything further I have to say should be said before the court at the proper time.

"Irrespective of the case, I would like to point out that if I had acted in any other manner than I did, there would have been a run on the bank and the situation of the shareholders would have been worse."

Interviewed Mr. Macarow said: "The charge has no foundation and I hope this case will afford the opportunity to place the facts before the public in their true light. It would be unbecoming for me to add anything at the present juncture."

At the hearing which was held in Judge Cusson's private chambers, C. A. Wilson, K.C., who is representing the complainants, was also present.

MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

Ottawa, March 25.—"Instructions have been given for the prosecution of those who are being held liable for supplying false returns to the Department of Finance and the necessary steps are being taken in Montreal to-day," Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, informed the House of Commons yesterday afternoon when replying to questions by T. L. Church (Toronto North), on the Merchants Bank affair.

Mr. Fielding said that the application for the merger of the Bank with the Bank of Montreal was approved by the Government. Also replying to Mr. Church he said that the loss sustained by the shareholders of the Merchants Bank was wholly based on what the respective shareholders paid for their holdings. Shareholders purchasing at about par were not liable to sustain heavy losses, but those who purchased at higher prices would suffer more.

Mr. Fielding stated that the government's intention with regard to imposing further penalties on directors, auditors and others responsible for mismanagement in the affairs of banks or other financial institutions, was a matter for consideration, when the Bank Act was before the House.

NEW ZEALAND MADE DIVORCE TOO EASY

The Government Compelled By Public Opinion to Amend the Law.

Wellington, March 25.—For two years New Zealand has had a divorce law almost as liberal as that of Reno, Nevada, in its bad old days. Now the government here is busy with amendments.

Under the law which was rushed through Parliament in the closing hours of a session, any couple separated for any cause for three years from one another were entitled to a divorce. Hundreds got it.

Then public opinion, which is old-fashioned in New Zealand on most matters, insisted on a change and petitions signed by over 50,000 persons poured in on the government.

As a result the divorce law has now been amended so as to prevent any guilty party to a suit getting the benefit of the law of divorce, dealing with the three-year period. It is expected that this will check the spread of divorce which has of late years been very marked in the Southern Dominion.

FIGHT IN QUEBEC CITY OVER DAYLIGHT SAVING

Quebec, March 25.—Daylight saving is a very thorny question in Quebec just at present and having been the subject of an ardent newspaper controversy for some time past, it promises to arouse a lively debate when it comes before the city council.