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WILL MEET JANUARY 23

The Ontario Legislature Called a Month Earlier.

PREDICTION OF FERGUSON

Is That the Tories Will Be Returned to Power Next Fall.

Toronto, Dec. 16.—The Ontario legislature will assemble for its next session on January 23rd. This date was settled yesterday afternoon at the parliament buildings during the course of a caucus which the government members held.

Howard Predicts Tory Win. Porquus Junction, Dec. 16.—All Hon. Howard Ferguson gives the Drury administration after the election next fall is fifteen seats, and a Conservative will be in control.

More Niagara Power. Niagara Falls, Dec. 16.—Sir Adam Beck addressed the Canadian Club here last night and declared that the engineers of the Ontario Hydro Power Commission would be kept busy working out designs for another scheme to develop more power either by way of a tunnel or a canal or both.

Dall's Attitude in Peace. Dublin, Dec. 16.—President Cosgrave of the Dail Eireann, replying to the peace resolutions of the Cork harbor commissioners, in which the Dail was urged to appoint a committee to meet the senate peace committee, says: "It is peace to be established at the cost of allowing people to commandeer goods, arrest citizens and break solemn agreements made with another nation, the sooner I am informed that I do not represent public opinion the better."

Loses Fingers in Gas Engine. Cornwall, Dec. 16.—Thursday morning about 10 o'clock, while working with a gasoline engine at his farm on the East Front, Nathan Copeland, ex-reeve of Cornwall township, met with a painful accident, which resulted in the loss of four fingers of the right hand.

CANADA HAS MUCH COAL WHILE U.S. ON RATIONS

"They Manage Things in Canada," Says the Washington Times.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 16.—The Washington Times reprints advertisements from St. John, N.B., newspapers indicating that there is an abundance of American anthracite coal on sale at that place, and contrasts with it the situation in Washington where householders are at purchase an equal quantity of coal substitutes with every ton of coal they buy.

PEOPLE OF DUBLIN WAVE UNION JACKS

Dublin, Dec. 16.—For the first time in many a day the Union Jack was seen in the streets of Dublin yesterday in the hands of people on the streets. They were being waved by members of the crowds seeing off the British soldiers who are going home in the course of the removal of the last of the British troops from Free State territory.

HIS SECONDS THROW TOWEL INTO THE RING

Charlie White Wins Lightweight Match—Gibbons, Defeats Miske.

New York, Dec. 16.—Charlie White, Chicago lightweight, won a technical knockout last night over Ritchie Mitchell, Milwaukee, in the tenth round of a fifteen-round bout when Mitchell's seconds threw the towel into the ring.

Gibbons Defeats Miske. St. Paul, Dec. 16.—Tommy Gibbons, St. Paul heavyweight, defeated Billy Miske, fellow townsman, in a ten-round boxing match here last night.

UPROAR AT MONTREAL

Albert Thomas, Frenchman, Said He Was a Socialist. Montreal, Dec. 16.—Interrupters, voicing opinions of a most radical nature, and asking questions that aroused laughter, shouting and hissing from the audience, created much confusion during the address of Albert Thomas, the French labor man, here last night.

A Surplus is Promised. Toronto, Dec. 16.—Hon. Peter Smith, provincial treasurer, is reported to have presented a Christmas box to Premier Drury in the shape of a promise that the government's account for the fiscal year ending November 15th, 1922, will show a surplus. Although the dimensions of the anticipated credit balance are still shrouded in mystery, announcement of its expected appearance has brought great joy to the U.F.O. household at Queen's Park.

BOY IS MURDERED BY DE VALERITES

London, Dec. 16.—Emmett McGarry, the seventeen-year-old son of Deputy Sean McGarry, died as a result of burns received when he was locked in a house with his mother and a brother and sister by de Valerites, who set fire to the dwelling, according to the Daily Telegraph's Dublin correspondent. The others were burned, but are out of danger, the correspondent says: "The outrage is understood to have occurred December 11th."

TRAGEDY OF GIRLS' LIVES

Fail in New York and Starve Rather Than Ask Help From Home.

New York, Dec. 16.—In the pell-mell rush of New York the tragic souls who clutch at life and miss are forgotten. Superior young girls who come here to carve their careers and wind up "turning on the gas," are not entirely the dreams of fiction writers.

The drab brownstone fronts, once the insignia of aristocracy, but now given over to "room and board," are the havens of those who are struggling valiantly for a foothold. Something about Manhattan breeds false pride. The failures will suffer every hardship to keep the news from the loved ones.

Irvin Cobb tells one story of the girl who lived "one block from the avenue." That was her badge of standing in her little home town. They did not know that "one block from the avenue" she lived in a cramped hall room over a dingy bird store, and cooked over a feeble gas jet.

A pale young woman who was found suffering from malnutrition and later died in a hospital had spent her last penny for monogrammed stationery with address embossed in gold to keep her friends in an Illinois town from knowing the truth. She had spent seven months in quest of work.

Nightly in the hole-in-the-wall cafes around Washington Square one sees hundreds of girls who are living in attics and subsisting on crackers and milk rather than return to their parents and confess that New York proved a cruel mistress.

New York has little use for failures. It will give money with a prodigal hand to public charities and turn its back on the neighbor next door who needs more than anything else a mere word or so of encouragement.

KU-KLUX-KLAN IS A MENACE

To All Classes, Declares the Governor of Kansas.

NO NEED TO USE MASKS

To Defend Womanhood And the Supremacy of the Whites.

White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., Dec. 16.—In a speech that combined withering denunciation and ironic ridicule, Governor Henry J. Allen, of Kansas, told the governors' conference here today that the leaders of the Ku-Klux-Klan are "profiteers" who have been "capitalizing racial and religious prejudices" for their own benefit.

Allen asserted that the Klan's claim to 100 per cent. Americanism was belied by its use of masks and its "terror inspiring midnight meetings," and that its activities give the criminal element in a community the opportunity to commit depredations unsuspected. "This organization," said the governor who is seeking to drive the organization out of his state, "is as dangerous to Protestants as it is to Catholics, the Jew or negro because it exists only when the authority of government has been broken down and destroyed."

"If we deliberately allow this organization to take the law into its hands we break down all the safeguards of society, which have been built here through the sanctity of government. We destroy the foundations of society. We teach our young men and young women that dangerous doctrine that violence and hatred are justifiable, that mob law is consistent with freedom, that lawlessness is to be met by lawlessness and that self-appointed guardians of other people's rights may set themselves above the sacred dignity of constitutional authority."

"One of the declarations of this masked organization is we stand for Christianity, for the protection of womanhood and for white supremacy. In the name of God why do they have to be masked for that? When has womanhood in any state needed to be defended by men who work at night with their faces covered?"

St. Lawrence Low Level

Three Rivers, Dec. 16.—The water level of the St. Lawrence river has not been so low as it is now for 25 years. The result has been that the water pressure has been deficient for domestic and fire-fighting purposes, and today the high-level districts were without water. It has been decided to switch the waterworks system to artesian wells on the St. Maurice River.

Premier Disposes of Tid-bit

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Asked this evening regarding a rumor that a prominent member of the cabinet would shortly be appointed Canadian minister plenipotentiary at Washington, Premier King remarked that the government had no intention of parting with any of its ministers. There was nothing to announce in regard to the Washington post.

Oshawa Baby Burned To Death in Carriage

Oshawa, Dec. 16.—When wall paper caught fire from a stove pipe and flaming pieces fell into a baby carriage, the two-month-old son of Dr. R. K. and Mrs. Cameron was burned to death yesterday.

Tombs in Boulder

Brockville, Dec. 16.—In compliance with a wish expressed during his lifetime, the body of Dr. Charles Forsythe, who died at Alexandria Bay last summer, has been entombed in a unique vault hollowed from a huge boulder in the cemetery of that village. Many years ago the wish that the boulder should be employed for this purpose was expressed by Dr. Forsythe to his wife and following his death stone-cutters were employed to carry it into effect, a channel being made in the heart of the boulder with room for two caskets.

The doors will not be permanently sealed until after the death of Mrs. Forsythe.

PREMIER MASSEY LOSSES TEN SEATS

New Zealand Elections Show Government in Reliance on Independents.

Wellington, N.Z., Dec. 16.—Complete returns of the federal elections held on Dec. 7th shows that the government party, under Premier W. F. Massey, now numbers 38, the Liberal opposition, under Willford, 20 and Labor party, under Holland, 17, leaving 5 Independents. In the last House of Representatives the government party numbered 48, against 32 representing all other parties. The government strength is, therefore, reduced by 10 seats.

The five independent members are chiefly independent oppositionists, but in most cases they are pledged not to vote against Premier Massey on a no-confidence motion.



W. A. AMOS Newly elected president of the United Farmers of Ontario, is a retired Presbyterian clergyman. He was also a member of the Sutherland commission which investigated the Hydro-rail situation in Ontario.

GREAT BRITAIN EXPECTS REDUCED LIVING COSTS

Trade Better and There Are Signs of Improvement in Economic Conditions.

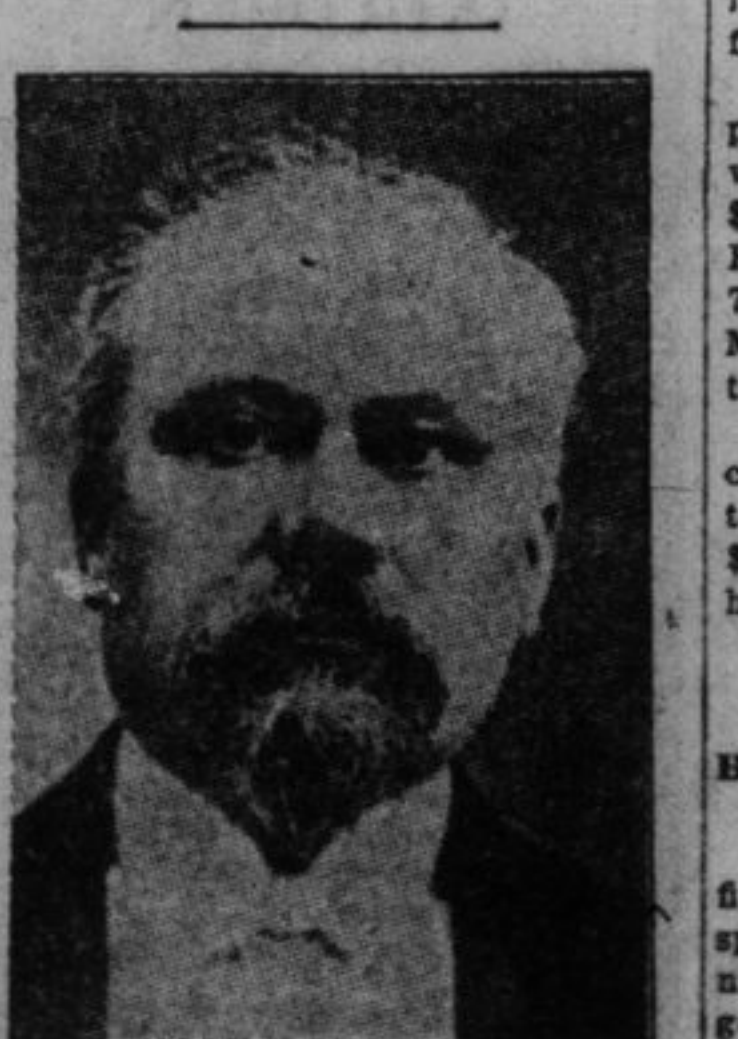
London, Dec. 16.—The continued rise of sterling exchange is displayed prominently by the newspapers, some of which enthusiastically anticipate a reduction of prices of food and cotton importations from the United States.

This view the newspapers bolster by citing the opinion of Premier Bonar Law, as expressed in the House of Commons, that unless some great disaster in foreign affairs occurs, Great Britain will very soon enjoy better trade.

In more conservative quarters, however, although a tendency toward improvement is recognized with satisfaction, a warning is raised against building too confidently upon the immediate future, and it is remarked that a superficial consideration of the rise in exchange may lead to exaggerated anticipations of improved economic conditions here.

Plea for Band Revolvers

Capetown, S.A., Dec. 16.—The Archbishop of Capetown and the Capetown Presbytery have added their appeals to the petition of the South African Labor party for the repeal of the men recently condemned to death for murder in connection with the revolt on the Rand last spring. The petitions have been largely signed.



PREMIER POINCARÉ OF FRANCE Who faces a serious political crisis as a result of the failure of the London conference to come to a decision. He threatens to occupy the Ruhr, to satisfy French public opinion.

LESS HARD TO SETTLE

The Mosul Oil Question With the Turks Amicable.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

May Decide That Matter When Turkey Becomes a Member.

London, Dec. 16.—Amicable disposition of the Mosul oil fields—the economic prize of the Near East—was anticipated following the decision of Turkey to join the League of Nations.

The oil question, more than any other, even minorities, threatened to break down negotiations between Allies and Turks at the Near Eastern peace conference.

PAYS HIGH TRIBUTE TO WOMEN MEMBERS

Sir Donald MacLean Praises Lady Astor and Mrs. Wintlingham.

London, Dec. 16.—Sir Donald MacLean, former leader of the Liberal party, paid a high tribute to Lady Astor and Mrs. Wintlingham, the two women members of parliament, in a speech before the Manchester Reform Club. After expressing regret that England was not yet educated up to fully appreciating the value of women in parliament, Sir Donald said:

"Stop" Sign Halted A Runaway Horse

Atlantic City, N.J., Dec. 16.—Crowds in Tennessee avenue scattered right and left as a runaway horse attached to an express wagon dashed through the street.

At Baltic avenue, Traffic Policeman Eggleston turned the semaphore so that the "stop" signal faced the horse. He blew his whistle and held up his hand. The horse put his forefeet together and doubled his hind legs. He stopped immediately in front of the Semaphore. It abated overcame fear.

A COSTLY VICTORY

Litigation Over \$4.50, and Court Costs Absorb All. Port Hope, Dec. 16.—A winner in a lawsuit is oftentimes a loser after the smoke of battle dies away. At the last session of the Division Court here George Ryan sued Joseph Ray for \$4.50—an account for carting which had been outstanding for four years.

Ryan was given judgment and Ray paid \$6.65 into court, \$4.50 of which was to go to Ryan and the balance of \$2.15 to pay the costs of the court. But Ryan owed G. N. Patterson \$2.75 for two bunches of shingles and Mr. Patterson promptly garnished the money paid into court by Ray.

SPEAKER'S CASTING VOTE

B.C. Legislature Divides Equally on Amendment. Victoria, B.C., Dec. 16.—For the first time in twenty years the speaker of the legislature last night by his casting vote saved the government from defeat. The division was called on the initiative of R. H. Pooley, Conservative member for Esquimalt, who introduced a technical amendment with the registration of wills.

THE LAW REPRESENTS WILL OF THE PEOPLE

That is the Liberal View With Regard to O. T. A. Enforcement.

Toronto, Dec. 16.—Flirtatious attempts of Hon. G. H. Ferguson to woo into one camp both "wets" and "drys," recent militant warnings to prohibitionists by Hon. W. E. Roney, and candid criticisms of the O.T.A. by J. J. Morrison—all have failed to influence the Liberal members of the legislature in respect of their opinion that prohibition cannot legitimately be raised as a paramount issue at the next provincial election.

At a caucus of the Liberal members in the parliament buildings, Thursday, it is understood the members took the position that the principle behind the Ontario Temperance Act had been settled upon by vote of the electorate, and that, so long as that decision stood, the act was on the statute books to stay. As one member put it, in conversation after the meeting, "The people of Ontario have given their verdict, and until that verdict is reversed it is up to any government that may be in power to see that it is carried out. So far as we are concerned, the question is no longer a party issue."

SAIIS FOR NEW YORK

Baldwin to Leave Dec. 27th, Horns Two Weeks Later.

London, Dec. 16.—The chancellor of the exchequer, Right Hon. Stanley Baldwin, sails for New York on December 27th in connection with the arrangement for funding the British debt to the United States.

Bonar Law in a written reply to A. T. Davies says that it is estimated that the cost of the chancellor of the exchequer's visit to the United States will be about \$2,000. It is desirable, he adds, that the negotiations shall be conducted by a Cabinet minister and not by the British ambassador.

WILL FIGHT FOR THE INTERESTS OF ENA

A Commission Will Sit Again in Kingston—Wolfe Islanders Called.

The Swigart estate commission is expected to resume its session in Kingston on Friday, Dec. 29th, and a large number of witnesses have been summoned from Wolfe Island and other points who are alleged to have knowledge of certain facts relating to the marriage of Sarah Saunders and Tom Davis, their residence on Wolfe Island, and the birth of Ena Welch (nee Davis). Lawyers for Ena, who claims the entire estate of \$500,000 now in the hands of official trustees appointed by the Chicago courts, will be present to fight for her interests as the daughter of the late Ald. Swigart.

SOCIAL INTERCHANGES

Dominion Functionaries Are Guests of Agents-General

London, Dec. 16.—The agents-general of the Canadian provinces were hosts Thursday night at a dinner tendered to Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Speaker of the Canadian Commons; Hon. P. C. Larkin, high commissioner in London, and Mr. Ernest Pacaud, chief clerk of the high commissioner's office, with the wives and daughters of these guests of honor. Social interchanges of this sort between the Dominion and provincial representatives in London were inaugurated with the new and happier regime at the high commissioner's office.

Hartington Notes

Hartington, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Morley Brown was taken to hospital on Friday and operated on for appendicitis. F. Denison has returned from hospital much improved in health. Earl Leonard is in Toronto. Harold Ryan is with his aunt at Wolfe Island. Mrs. Milburn Moore and daughter, Saskatchewan, are visiting at C. A. Moore's. Recent visitors: Mr. and Mrs. William Wood, Tamworth, at E. Botting's; Mr. and Mrs. Edley Campbell, at Eignburg; Mr. Sprout and family and Mr. and Mrs. Grass, Westbrook, at M. Clokey's; Harry Campsall and family at Moscow on Sunday.

Busiest Year in History

Montreal, Dec. 16.—The Lachine canal, which officially ended the busiest year in its history yesterday, carried 87,731,212 bushels of grain, as compared with 65,542,861 in 1921, which was the best previous year. Passengers carried totalled 69,392, as against 52,978 last year. Cargo tonnage was 4,260,228 as against 3,671,191, and the ship tonnage operated was 4,786,543, as compared with 4,272,327. The canal was used by 7,712 vessels, as against 6,826 in 1921. Wheat was by far the largest factor in the increased grain total, being 58,932,590 bushels as against 27,684,756 in 1921.

WORKING OUT RELIEF PLAN

U.S. Is Reported Considering Germany's Distress.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

In America's Capital Is Reported a Possibility in the Near Future.

New York, Dec. 16.—Without exception the Washington correspondents of New York dailies continue to assert that the United States administrative officials are actively, though secretly, working out some plan for relieving Germany's financial distress. The Times' correspondent asserts "definitely that the matter of arranging an international loan was discussed at a meeting of the cabinet yesterday afternoon, and the Tribune declares that "plans for the move America is to make in the hope of restoring normal conditions in Europe are progressing rapidly."

International Conference

Washington, Dec. 16.—Another international conference in Washington, this one designed to bring about relief from the desperate economic situation in Europe, is a probability.

That Ambassador Harvey's return to Washington involves the highest possible questions of this government's foreign policy was plainly indicated by the fact that his instructions did not pass through the routine channels and officials generally had no knowledge of his coming. The orders came directly from President Harding and Secretary Hughes. Hughes would not comment on the purposes of the American ambassador's return to Washington.

Within the last few days the British and German ambassadors here have laid before Secretary of State Hughes the situation involved in the collapse of the London conference of premiers and Germany's close proximity to a complete collapse, made more serious by the French threat to invade the Ruhr.

The Only Means

London, Dec. 16.—All Europe today hailed the possibility of American intervention as the only means of solving the tangled reparations situation. The British press was especially enthusiastic over impending action by the United States. Typical of newspaper criticism everywhere is the editorial of the Westminster Guardian which declares: "It is the biggest and best thing that has happened since the armistice." "If this is true," the Guardian continues, "it means that the whole moral weight of the most powerful nation in the world is to be thrown into the scales which have been so violently rocked by the fears and animosities and jealousies of Europe." The paper argues that the United States previous attitude of aloofness gives it a position of arbiter.

From Economic Standpoint Only

Paris, Dec. 16.—The United States government already has informed the Allies it contemplates intervention in European affairs, but from an economic standpoint only. It was stated authoritatively today. "The Allies understand Washington will maintain its previous attitude towards political matters; also that President Harding is not yet certain what form the proposed action will take. Already the move of America towards assisting Europe has changed the Allies' plans of action towards Germany. It may result in a complete about-face on the part of those in France who have advocated the seizure of the Ruhr."

SHORTAGE OF WATER

Reported at Phillipsville and the Cattle Will Suffer.

Phillipsville, Dec. 14.—There is a scarcity of water and the wells are getting low. All the small rivulets and water holes are frozen, so that the cattle are not able to get a drink. Unless there is rain the stock will suffer for want of water.

Mrs. Stevon Carty spent a week with her brother and sister at Newboro. The Phillipsville cheese factory made its last cheese for the season on the 13th inst. Brown and Lynn are cutting wood with their gas engine.

Roddy Seamon has purchased the half interest in the Phillipsville cheese factory and is getting out wood. W. B. Phelps is showing a white flame coal oil lamp burner that gives a wonderful white light. In a recent article it was stated that W. B. Phelps was eighty-two years of age. Mr. Phelps age is eighty-four.

Bruce Sales, an automobile agent, was tried at St. Thomas on two charges of fraud. He was given suspended sentence on one and on the other was released on \$4,000 bail to appear at the next session.