

THE ONTARIO PLEBISCITE ON THURSDAY, OCT. 23?

The Form of Liquor Question Has Not Yet Been Announced.

It Is Intimated That The Proposition Will Be One That Will Accurately Represent the Majority of Public Opinion.

Toronto, July 17.—Ontario citizens will pass upon the liquor issue on Thursday, October 23rd next, according to a front-page story appearing in the Mail and Empire this morning.

The form of question to be voted upon is not yet being announced by the prime minister, but will be made public in plenty of time for the campaign purposes of both the wet and dry forces.

Along with the desire to make the question one in line with public opinion of the time, the premier states, there is a determination upon the part of the Government to make it one readily understandable by the voter.

GUESS WORK, SAYS FERGUSON.

Toronto, July 17.—"It's purely guess. I never gave out a statement nor authorized such an announcement," said Premier Ferguson this morning when questioned as to the authenticity of the morning paper announcement that the Government has fixed October 23rd as the date for the O.T.A. plebiscite.

AVOID THE GRAIN PIT SAYS ARTHUR CULLEN

Though He Won Out, the Game Is Too Full of Pitfalls.

Chicago, July 17.—Arthur W. Cullen, credited with profits of more than \$1,500,000 through dealing in corn, and said to hold large quantities of wheat while the price is soaring, was seen in Guelph, Ont., in 1870. To-day he warned men to avoid grain.

"If I had a son I wouldn't let him touch it with a ten-foot pole," he said.

When asked the reason for his statement he replied: "Because there are so many men down there in pit—people call them brokers. They are only part of that,—broke in part. No more than ten per cent. who go in to grain ever remain and most of the ten per cent. are broke."

WANT TO LIVE CHEAPER.

Commercial Travellers Make Concerted Appeal to Hotelmen.

Montreal, July 17.—A determined effort to reduce the high cost of drumming, which, it is claimed, is partly responsible for the present little dip in America's prosperity, is being made by the International Federation of Commercial Travellers' Associations, which is now meeting in convention in this city.

To-day a telegram was dispatched from the gathering of forty delegates, who represent 70,000 travelling men of the United States and Canada, to members of the American Hotelmen's Association, who are in session to-day in Cleveland.

The message asked the hotelmen to make a revision of their rates downward.

Great Britain has ratified the treaty of Lausanne.

"You Said It, Marceline!"

By MARCELINE DALROY On "Why Women Love Dress" Many a WOMAN gets more SATISFACTION out of a MODEL GOWN than she does out of a MODEL HUSBAND. Of course, she can GET a model gown, but a model husband is hard to find, in fact, practically IMPOSSIBLE, because a woman's idea of a model husband changes from day to day. Of course, he must ALWAYS be GENEROUS—lavish, if possible—And HIGH-MINDED; that is Not SUSPICIOUS. He must be PRACTICAL, too—A good PROVIDER but not SOLDIER, for he must Be able to MAKE LOVE Beautifully, even AFTER Lengthy MARRIAGE. He must also be CHARMING To OTHER women but In such a way that THEY Become JEALOUS of HER—Not SHE of THEM. YES, he must be a GOOD BUSINESS MAN and a great artist. A STEADY husband and An ENTHUSIASTIC admirer. In other words, he must have All the qualities that are SELDOM found in The SAME MAN. N. B.—That is why women LOVE DRESS!

BRITISH AVIATORS ARE STILL MISSING

Tokio, July 17.—No trace of A. Stuart MacLaren, British aviator over due at Paramasiru Island, in Kuriles, and his companions, in the round the world flight, had been found up to nine o'clock last night. MacLaren then was more than thirty-three hours overdue. Japanese destroyers are continuing the search for the missing party.

CANADA SHIPPING ACT.

A Bill Regarding Captured Vessels Is Passed.

Ottawa, July 17.—The legislation amending the Canada Shipping Act, providing that any foreign-built vessel captured or seized during the war by British forces and commandeered as a prize of war or ceded to Great Britain or British nationals by the Reparations Commission under the peace treaties following the war, and placed on British registry, shall be regarded as a British-built ship and entitled to engage in the coasting trade, was put through all stages and given third reading within five minutes in the Commons yesterday.

Hon. Jacques Bureau, minister of customs, explained that under the Canada Shipping Act only two classes of vessels were entitled to engage in the coasting trade, those built before Sept. 1st, 1902, and those built in Great Britain or Canada and maintained under British or Canadian registry.

A MOTION OF CENSURE MEETS WITH DEFEAT

Progressive Member After Government for Not Completing H. B. Railway.

Ottawa, July 17.—By a vote of 73 to 20, the House of Commons, after an all night sitting, at 7.30 o'clock this morning defeated the motion of Andrew Knorr (Progressive member of Prince Albert), censuring the government for the non-completion of the Hudson's Bay Railway.

At 11 p.m. Wednesday, Hon. George P. Graham moved that the House go into supply on the estimates of the department of railways. After a preliminary protest, Mr. Knox moved his amendment, on the understanding that this might be his last opportunity of bringing up the question this session.

DE VALERA'S RELEASE MEETS WITH FAVOR

"Common Decency to Bury Bitterness and Secure Unity Among All Sections."

Dublin, July 17.—The release of Eamonn de Valera and Austin Stack, leaders of the Irish republicans from Arberhill barracks, has been well received in all quarters. The Independent welcome the action and believes it will be approved by the country. It says: "It is common decency to bury bitterness and secure unity among all sections willing to work for Ireland's prosperity."

BENCHER OF GRAY'S INN.

English Bar Honors Mr. Justice Duff. London, July 17.—Mr. Justice Lyman P. Duff, of the supreme court of Canada, was yesterday elected an honorary bencher of Gray's Inn. This is one of the highest honorary distinctions the English bar can confer.

Mr. Justice Duff is the first Canadian elected an honorary bencher of Gray's Inn since Sir Wilfrid Laurier received the honor.

Black Gold Accepts.

Chicago, July 17.—Black Gold will meet Epinaud, the French champion, in the \$50,000 international race to be run at Latonia next October. Chilhowee is out of training and declines to meet Epinaud at Hawthorne.

Lightning Struck Elevator.

Moose Jaw, Sask., July 17.—The Maiden Grain Company's elevator at Rouleau was struck by lightning on Tuesday night and burned to the ground. The damage is estimated to be about \$20,000.

Neway Bits From To-day's Classified Ads.

Here is a quick and easy way out of the most perplexing employment troubles. If you cannot find what you want in the Classified columns your case begins to look hopeless. Big news in small type abounds among the modest helpful Classified Ads.

PREMIER KING WAXES ANGRY

Over Government Not Being Notified From London.

PRESS HAS THE NEWS

That Imperial Authorities Failed To Cable to the Canadian Authorities.

Ottawa, July 17.—There was an angry scene in the Commons this morning when Premier King was being questioned on the Canadian representation at the Inter-Allied conference. Premier King had outlined the communications which had passed between the Canadian and the British governments in regard to the conference and the stand taken by Canada. He had intimated that the Dominion Government was awaiting further advice from the British Government, when Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, leader of the Opposition, read a press despatch of this morning's date bearing on the conference.

Premier King angrily replied that he had not seen the despatch, adding: "I want this House to know and I want the British Government to know that we are receiving information as to what is happening in regard to Canadian representation from press despatches read by the leader of the Opposition."

Mr. King heatedly protested against the press getting information with regard to what is taking place "which is not given to the Government of the country and which the Government is not in a position to reply to."

Belcourt Represents Canada.

Premier King confirmed the report that Hon. N. A. Belcourt had been appointed as representative of Canada at the Inter-Allied conference in London. He said that he had not received any message from London since Mr. Belcourt's arrival, but that he rather expected that full powers had been granted to him in accordance with a request made by the Canadian Government. He suggested that the delay in hearing might be due to a desire on the part of the Imperial Government to consult the other dominions.

WILL NOT AFFECT ULSTER.

Belfast, July 17.—The release of Eamonn de Valera and Austin Stack will not influence the case of the Ulster prisoners, whose liberation will always be conducted in the reports of police it is stated.

Private D. Burke, Ottawa, won the N.R.A. bronze medal, special prize for the highest aggregate in the first stage of the King's prize at Bisley, England.

Bill Provides for Several Amendments To Act.

Ottawa, July 17.—Several amendments to the Soldiers' Pensions Act are effected in a bill which was introduced in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon by Hon. Dr. H. S. Beland. The preliminary resolution provides that no pension will be awarded when death or disability of a member of the Canadian forces was due to improper conduct, but that the commissioner may award such pension as it deems fit when an applicant is in a dependent condition. An exception to this rule is when death occurred on service before the Pensions Act came into force. Some slight changes also are made in the conditions under which dependents of a pensioner are awarded a pension, and a provision is made for "specially meritorious" cases claiming compassionate pension or allowance.

CREAMERIES MUST PAY PENALTIES OF \$50,000

Ogdensburg, N.Y., July 17.—It was learned today that the treasury department has assessed penalties aggregating \$50,000 on owners of creameries situated along the river which have been handling Canadian cream and milk since 1922. It is stated that the amount claimed by the government represents the difference in rates on cream and milk of a certain grade. One creamery man has been notified to turn over \$6,000 to Uncle Sam and it is said that he will have to borrow the money.

BUILDING AN EMPIRE WITH ADVERTISING

Subject of an Address by President of the C.P.R. in London.

London, July 17.—"Building an Empire With Advertising" was the subject of a speech delivered here today before the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World by E. W. Beatty, chairman and president of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. Beatty spoke as representing the business side of Canadian progress and development and outlined the way in which advertising had fostered that country's growth from the earliest days of its history up to the present. He stated that the story of making Canada a nation through advertising went back to the days of French dominion, and especially to the colonization movement fostered by Louis XIV. The advertisers of that day were the Jesuit Missionaries whose "Relations" or reports were in many cases circulated throughout the northern provinces of France in order to further emigration.

"The motto of your association is 'Truth in Advertising,'" said Mr. Beatty in conclusion. There is no country which can suffer less through being advertised in the way you recommend than Canada and there is no country which should adopt your motto and prosecute insistently but at all times honorably, its claim for recognition as a fast developing, virile part of the British Dominions.

RAPID PROGRESS BY HOUSE OF COMMONS

In Passing Legislation—To Be No Advisory Board on Taxation.

Ottawa, July 17.—The House of Commons made rapid progress with legislation yesterday, and when the House resumed its session this morning the order paper was practically cleared of bills, with the exception of a few odds and ends. The most important subject now to come before the Commons is that of the Home Bank, which, though it has been discussed from many angles, will still prove to be a contentious matter.

Eleven bills passed the House in five hours yesterday and one bill to provide superannuation for Civil Service Commissioners was dropped. The clause also in the act to amend the Department of Customs and Excise Act, which provides for a taxation advisory board was dropped, with the result that much of the contentious sting was taken out of the proceedings.

The House was in a generous mood, for both the Montreal South Shore bridge and the Toronto viaduct bills received kindly treatment and passed.

Hon. Jacques Bureau, minister of customs, moved for the elimination of the proposed advisory board on taxation. This action was taken because of the protest made in the House when the enabling bill was under consideration some days ago. His resolution carried.

The last of the branch line bills was disposed of in the Senate when what is known as the China Clay branch extension to St. Remi d'Amherst, in the province of Quebec, a distance of two miles, was adopted after being amended.

SOLDIERS' PENSIONS.

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SASKATCHEWAN RENOUNCES PROHIBITION OF LIQUOR

The Wet Majority Is Expected To Be Between 25,000 And 30,000.

Cities And Rural Districts Alike Vote For a Change—People Vote For Sale of Liquor Through Official Vendors.

Regina, Sask., July 17.—By a majority which early to-day had advanced to 25,000 and promised to go to 30,000 when the thousands of unreported polls had been heard from, prohibition was renounced by Saskatchewan yesterday after four years' experience with the Saskatchewan Temperance Act. At the same time the electors expressed their preference for straight government control of the sale of liquor through official vendors, as opposed to such control accompanied by licensed beer premises by a majority of 8,935.

Cities and country alike condemned prohibition and voted for a change. Cities contributed ten thousand to the majority, but a landslide struck the urban and rural districts without distinction and carried the majority to heights which only the most enthusiastic members of the Moderation League had predicted. Prohibition workers counted unavailingly on the country to hold down or overcome the adverse vote, which they expected in the larger cities.

LABOR IN VICTORIA TO ASSUME OFFICE

Peacock Government Lost Confidence Motion—Prendergast to Be Premier.

Melbourne, Victoria, July 17.—A motion of want of confidence in the Government of Victoria was carried in the Legislative Assembly yesterday by a vote of 43 to 16. The motion was moved by G. M. Prendergast, Labor leader, and was supported by the Country party and five unattached Liberals.

The Legislative Assembly adjourned immediately after the vote was taken. It is anticipated that Prendergast will form a Labor ministry.

B.C. LIQUOR IMPORTS.

Duties Paid to Dominion Were \$5,003,167 in 1923.

Ottawa, July 17.—British Columbia liquor imports netted to the public purse of the Dominion by way of customs duties alone \$4,778,110 in 1922 and \$5,033,167 in 1923. In addition to this, excise duties on foreign liquor imports totalled \$6,721 for the two years. On domestic spirits and malt liquors excise totalled in the two years \$888,746. These figures are given in a return tabled in the House of Commons today.

Time Lost By Fighting.

Ottawa, July 17.—Time lost due to industrial disputes was greater in June than during either May, 1924, or June 1923. There were in existence at some time or another during the month 22 disputes, involving 13,872 employees, and a time loss of 244,673 working days, as compared with 12 disputes in May, involving 8,536 work people, and a time loss of 218,453 working days.

Kingston Township Council.

The Kingston township council meets Thursday evening at Cataract for the reception and discussion of the assessor's rolls, but it is also expected that H. S. McIvor's resignation as road superintendent will come up, as Reeve Graham is charging him with not carrying out the provisions of the resolution by which he was reinstated.

CAPT. EDWARD BOOTH WAS NOT AT WHEEL

Of the Steamer Toronto When the Collision With Modjeska Occurred.

Toronto, July 17.—The steamer Modjeska left the wharf five minutes after her scheduled hour of 5 a.m. on the morning of July 5th.

The steamer Toronto had no scheduled hour for starting for the coaling wharf, but was under instructions to start as soon as her passengers were ashore.

Harry Webster, first mate of the Toronto, and not Capt. Edward Booth, was at the wheel of the latter vessel, when the collision occurred.

The Toronto believed that she had the right of way over the Modjeska, inasmuch as she was already out of the slip, while the latter vessel was only backing out. Signals blown by the Modjeska were not clearly understood by the Toronto, owing to the fact that the Grimsby boat was backing out, instead of moving forward.

Such were the chief points of testimony adduced at yesterday's session of the inquiry conducted by Wreck Commissioner Capt. Demers, into the collision between the Modjeska and the Toronto, in Toronto harbor on the morning of July 5.

THINKS GOVERNMENT SHOULD FOOT BILL

Of Distributing Soldiers' Canteen Money—Hon. Dr. Beland Does Not Agree.

Ottawa, July 17.—A proposal that the Government should pay the expenses of distributing the canteen funds of the Canadian Expeditionary Force was made in the House of Commons when the bill to dispose of monies still in the hands of the Receiver-General was considered in the committee stage yesterday afternoon.

Brig.-Gen. J. A. Clarks (Conservative, Burrard) thought the men should not be asked to pay the staff which will be appointed in Ottawa under a commission of three, which will co-operate with the provinces in distributing the money.

Hon. Dr. Beland, Minister of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, had explained that this commission would not be paid. He fully expected to find three men, outstanding in the ranks of returned men, who would consent to represent the interests of the returned soldiers. The money would be distributed amongst the provinces on a proportional basis, and the final spending of the funds would be in provincial hands.

A sum of \$100,000 had been set aside out of the fund for expenses of distribution. If the interest thereon did not pay any staff retained in Ottawa—Dr. Beland thought four or five people could handle the work—the principal could be drawn upon. General Clark thought the Government should pay this staff and leave the fund intact for the soldiers. Dr. Beland did not agree with him.

After some discussion, the minister consented to insert in the bill a provision that trustees, both federal and provincial, should be appointed for three years, with provision that they can be re-appointed, if they have not become for any reason ineligible. The genesis of the amendment was a criticism from General Clark and L. J. Eadner (Conservative, South Vancouver) that there was no provision to terminate the office of a trustee who might disqualify for the position through financial difficulties or some such cause.

The bill then passed rapidly through all stages of the Commons.

AUSTRALIAN CRUISERS.

May Be Built in England to Effect Saving.

Melbourne, Australia, July 17.—Both of the 10,000-ton battle cruisers which Australia intends to build for its own defence may be constructed in England.

The Melbourne Herald states that the federal naval engineering staff has prepared and submitted to the Bruce Government plans for a floating dock 860 feet long and 180 feet wide, capable of receiving vessels drawing forty feet of water. The floating dock would be an alternative to the proposal to build the two cruisers in Melbourne.

If the plans for a floating dock are accepted, the Herald says, both of Australia's new cruisers will be built in England and money will thus be saved.

U.S. tennis players threaten to withdraw from the Olympic games unless facilities are provided for players.

Miss K. McKane, Great Britain, on Wednesday defeated Miss Fick, of Sweden, in Olympic tennis. John Corryell, author of Nick Carter detective stories, is dead at Readfield, Me.