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DISMISSES THE CHARGE OF UNLAWFULLY AND FORCIBLY ENTERING PITTSBURG CHURCH

The Continuing Presbyterians Did Not Appear to Press Their Charge Against Rev. D. T. Lancaster, and County Magistrate Bradshaw Dismissed the Case--The Court Room Was Filled to Hear the Evidence.

The hearing of the charge against Rev. D. T. Lancaster, minister of St. John's church, Pittsburg, of forcibly and unlawfully entering that church building on Sunday morning, the 9th of August, came to a sudden end before County Magistrate Bradshaw at the Court House, Wednesday afternoon, the charge being dismissed. Court opened in the case at five minutes after two o'clock. Magistrate Bradshaw said: "We're ready to go on with the case, to which A. E. Day, representing Rev. D. T. Lancaster, stood and replied: "We're ready, sir."

Rev. Mr. Fee's Statement on Lancaster Case; Crown-Attorney Rigney Would Not Prosecute

In order that the public may know the circumstances of the prosecution against Mr. Lancaster for forcible entry, I request space for the following statement: On Sunday, August 9th, after St. John's Church had been forcibly opened by Mr. Lancaster, I laid an information against him before Magistrate Bradshaw, police magistrate for the county of Frontenac. I was not then informed when the case would be heard, but my solicitors were later advised that the hearing would take place on Wednesday, August 12th, at two o'clock in the afternoon. This morning the Crown Attorney was advised that the information had been laid and was requested to handle the prosecution, and agreed to do so, and spent an hour or more going over the matter. My witnesses were present at the Court House. It was quite understood that everything was in readiness for the case to proceed. At about two o'clock I was abruptly informed that the Crown Attorney would not act in the case but that I might give my evidence if I wished to conduct a private prosecution. I then proceeded to the court room, which I found was moved from the magistrate's office to one of the court rooms upstairs, and upon arriving there was advised by the provincial constable that the magistrate had dismissed the case. It was then fifteen minutes after two.

As moderator of the session of the St. John's Presbyterian church I am not prepared, at present, to say just what further action will be taken. W. M. FEE.

Mr. Rigney's Denial

T. J. Rigney, K.C., Crown Prosecutor, when shown Rev. W. M. Fee's statement on Wednesday afternoon, denied that he had promised to handle the prosecution.

A STATEMENT BY BISHOP OF ONTARIO

Regarding the Reasons Bringing About His Resignation.

CHURCH TIMES LETTER

Concerning the Orangemen Is Wrongly Interpreted, Dr. Bidwell Tells United Press.

London, Aug. 12.—The Rev. Dr. E. J. Bidwell, who is visiting in Norfolk, has given the British United Press the following exclusive written and signed statement regarding his position: "The Bishop of Ontario having already informed the Archbishop of the Province that in the event of his wife changing her religious allegiance he should feel bound to tender his resignation, he did so as soon as that event occurred. The Archbishop is already aware of the sole reason which led the Bishop to tender his resignation. The decision whether to accept it or not lay entirely with the Archbishop after consultation with the Bishops of the Province but the Bishop of Ontario requested that the Archbishop consult the executive committee of the diocese of Ontario before coming to a decision, stating that if the diocese wishes him to continue he is prepared to do so.

"The executive committee of the diocese of Ontario met August 4th and the Bishop was informed by cable that they had decided to advise the Archbishop to accept his resignation. He, therefore, at once wrote to the Archbishop stating that in view of this action by the executive committee his resignation must be accepted without fail. Since the Bishop first tendered his resignation extracts from a letter written by him in the Church Times early in May, to correct what he considered misleading statements about his diocese which appeared in an article in that paper, were printed in Canadian papers some six weeks later and quite wrongly interpreted as an attack on Orange lodges in Ontario.

"This fact may have influenced the action of the executive though the Bishop has no information to that effect. But he had nothing to do as Bishop except tender his resignation which was made some weeks before these extracts appeared in the Canadian press, and the subsequent misinterpretation of them, and it is solely for the reason offered and no other.

Dr. Bidwell added that the publicity given his resignation is most distressing and he trusts he will now be left alone.

Seventeen-year-old Luc Vezina was drowned after rescuing his two small brothers from the water at St. Esprit, Que. Western farmers in the wheat pool may not get ten cents more per bushel on the 1924 crop. The German celebration of the birth of the republic was a doleful affair. Nickel is discovered in the township of Senneterre, Northern Quebec.

TO BUILD ANOTHER INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE

Niagara Falls, Aug. 12.—A special meeting of the International Joint Commission was held at the Clifton Hotel yesterday, presided over by Sir William Hearst. The proposed bridge across the Niagara from Fort Erie to Buffalo was discussed and the final decision was to permit the project to go ahead. It was pointed out that both the Canadian and United States governments have agreed to the proposed bridge.

PETROL PRICE UNCHANGED.

Drop in United States Does Not Affect Toronto, Yet. Toronto, Aug. 12.—Decrease in the price of gasoline in the United States will not affect gasoline prices here unless there is a further drop, local oil dealers say. The price of gasoline here, they say, has been lower for some months than that sold in the United States. When prices were advanced in the States they were not advanced here. Having regard to the sales tax and the duty, the big oil companies here claim to be selling gas at a lower price than is charged in the American cities for gasoline of anything like the same quality.

STOLEN MOTOR BOAT FOUND AT OSWEGO

Clare Malley's Craft Was Tied Up to Wharf at That Port.

Napanee, Aug. 12.—A bold robbery took place at Deseronto on Thursday night of last week, when the boat-house of Clare Malley was entered, supposedly by two men, who stole his valuable and fast motor boat. Those who are familiar with the sound of the engine heard it going down the reach towards Lake Ontario about 11 o'clock on that night. The boat is said to have a valuation of about \$2,500, and has a speed of 25 to 30 miles an hour. The tank had just been filled up by Mr. Malley and was all ready for a long trip. Mr. Malley did not discover his loss until the next day. He immediately had the police notified on both Canadian and American sides of the St. Lawrence river and Lake Ontario. He then went over to the U.S. side and made enquiries at likely places where the thief or thieves might have landed. His brother, Arthur, who is in the customs at Deseronto, went over to Oswego and with the aid of the U.S. customs officers there, was lucky enough yesterday to find the boat tied up to one of the wharves in that port. It is said that with the exception of a hole in the hull, she is little the worse for the trip. As far as can be ascertained, there is no trace of the person or persons who stole the boat.

ENGLAND AND FRANCE NEED DICTATORSHIP

To Achieve Real Progress Is the View of Bishop Fallon.

London, Ont., Aug. 12.—"I found social and political conditions in France and England most disturbing. I was very unfavorably impressed. In my opinion, conditions in these countries are such that anything may happen. "There has been much too small politics in Europe for some years on all sides, which has vitiated the natural patriotism of the people. The only head of a government who has a real control is Mussolini, in Italy, and as far as I can see both England and France need a Mussolini and a dictatorship if they are to establish themselves on a sure foundation of prosperity and achieve real progress."

Sees Ireland Improving. In these words Right Rev. M. P. Fallon, D.D., Bishop of London, summed up his observation of conditions in the countries he visited on a three months' trip. Speaking on the social and political conditions in the countries he had visited, His Lordship said: "While I was very much disturbed at the conditions in England and France, I was glad to see that Ireland is mending her condition. There is a much better feeling between the six counties of Ulster and the rest of Ireland, and the general opinion of outstanding men there, both Catholics and Protestants, is that if there is no untoward event the next few years will see a united Ireland. On all hands I found it agreed that the government of the Irish Free State had made great strides toward settling the country and instituting a healthy routine of government."

Lord Byng returning from northern trip reached Fort Providence, N.W.T., and called for Hay River.

NO HARDSHIP IS EXPECTED TO THE PUBLIC

Should There Be a Hard Coal Strike on September 1st.

ENOUGH HARD COAL

On Hand to Last Four Months But Government Advises Use of Soft Coal.

Atlantic City, N.J., Aug. 12.—"Use bituminous coal," will be the advice of the administration to the public if a strike of anthracite mine workers occurs on September 1st, according to reports received here from Washington.

The federal administration's remedy of two years ago, when a suspension took place, will be repeated again if the emergency makes such action necessary, it was said here to-day.

Reports from federal sources indicate a period of feverish activity in anthracite and bituminous mining regions. At the present rate of output, the five-month period ending September 1st should be 34,000,000 tons, or nearly half the annual production of anthracite above ground. The normal requirements for the entire year are approximately 74,000,000 tons.

If the hard coal mines shut down on September 1st, the anthracite consuming public will be at a loss to find 40,000,000 tons of anthracite to keep its home fires and factory furnaces going for the rest of the year. The solution, according to the administration's experts, will be bituminous coal and coke, with an increase of oil in some industries, where that is possible.

Much Coal on Hand. The government, which is in possession of production figures in anthracite and bituminous, does not expect any real suffering to result from a hard coal strike. John Hays Hammond, former chairman of the United States Coal Commission, has pointed out that there will be a supply of hard coal on hand by September 1st, which will meet the needs of the consumers for four months. With the use of bituminous, oil and coke, it is maintained by Mr. Hammond that the household will be able to pass a comfortable winter without suffering.

According to the rate of production of the bituminous fields, it is believed that enough soft coal will be available to supply all household requirements. The West Virginia soft coal mines are producing 2,600,000 tons a week. The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad is handling 1,000,000 tons of coal a week, which is a record in its history, and northern West Virginia is producing 500,000 tons a week alone, a considerable increase over last year.

News in Condensed Form Off the Wires

Alberta coal mines are unable to fill Ontario order before the cheap freight rate expires. Amedeo Leblanc and his son of Point Viau, were killed by a train on a crossing near Ste. Therese, Que. Police doubt the theory that Joseph Horn, whose clothing was found on the beach at Port Stanley committed suicide. The Labor Representation Political Association nominated James Simpson to be a Labor party candidate in the Northwest Toronto riding for the Dominion Parliament. The coroner's jury investigating the death in Chatham jail of George Taylor, an insane man, added a rider advising the county to make proper arrangements in future in cases of that kind.

SWAM MILE IN WIND. Girls in Canoe Were Upset in Ottawa River. Ottawa, Aug. 12.—Forced to swim more than a mile in the wind-tossed waters of the Ottawa River above Wychwood, when the canoe in which they were paddling was upset, Miss Alma Little, aged 18, of Ottawa, and Miss Grace Bell, also aged 18, of Toronto, reached the Ontario shore just below the Connaught Rifle ranges, and today are resting at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Kemp, Ottawa barrister, at Wychwood, where they had been visiting, badly shocked by their experience, but otherwise unharmed.

Girl Rescued Child. Ottawa, Aug. 12.—Miss E. Fitzgerald, a stenographer, hastily stripped off her outer garments and jumped into the Rideau Canal yesterday morning, rescuing from drowning six-year-old Albert Lamoss.

Complete Accord Between France and Great Britain

London, Aug. 12.—A complete accord between Aristide Briand and the Right Hon. Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Ministers of France and Great Britain, in regard to the reply to Germany regarding the proposed security pact, was announced in a communique issued at two o'clock this afternoon by a member of M. Briand's staff.

HELD SERVICE AT MOUNT EDITH CAVELL

In Memory of the British Nurse Who Was Executed by the Germans.

Montreal, Aug. 12.—At the feet of the great ghost glacer which with outspread wings clings to the side of Mount Edith Cavell in Jasper National Park, Alberta, the first memorial service commemorating the heroic British nurse, was held last Sunday afternoon, according to advices received at headquarters of the Canadian National Railways yesterday. The date was just ten years after the event which sent a thrill of horror through the whole of the civilized world. Rev. James Edwards, chaplain of Jasper National Park, conducted the service which was attended by more than two hundred residents of the village and guests at Jasper Park lodge who had travelled the twenty miles of mountain road to mourn the spirit of the martyred nurse. A small altar, covered by the Union Jack, was placed on a flower stand of green weeds which lie at the foot of the glacier, and there, facing the mountain which perpetuates her name, the worshippers knelt during the short service which was ended by the singing of "Abide With Me," the hymn which Nurse Cavell sang with her chaplain just before she walked forth to her execution.

MAN OF EIGHTY-EIGHT WORKS IN HAY FIELD

Robert Finnegan, Barriefield, Mows, Rakes and Drives Hay to the Barn.

Robert Finnegan of Barriefield, who is eighty-eight years of age, is visiting his niece, Mrs. Frederick Hitchcock, near Findlay Station, and helping Mr. Hitchcock in the haying. On Tuesday Mr. Finnegan mowed, raked and loaded the hay, and drew it to the barn. In the evening, a Whig representative found Mr. Finnegan sitting on the front steps of the Hitchcock home reading the Whig without the aid of glasses. Mr. Finnegan was born on Amherst Island and lived there until he was seventeen years of age.

New York Banking Groups Bid for Canadian Loan

New York, Aug. 12.—Two New York banking groups are reported to be bidding for the \$150,000,000 Canadian loan which Wall Street expects will be issued in about a month.

TAKING CHAINS OFF DOOR OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PITTSBURG



Rev. D. T. Lancaster (on right), minister of St. John's, holding a cutter, and the chains which he has just removed from the church door. He is shaking hands with Rev. E. H. Burgess, minister of Zion church, Kingston, who conducted the service on Sunday morning. The companion picture shows the door of the church fastened with logging chains and locked with five padlocks, two of which were put on by the Continuing Presbyterians, the other three being later fastened by the Unionist party of the congregation.

U.S. FARMERS MUST FACE COMPETITION

From Canada and Argentina, as Well as Reduced Buying Power Abroad.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 12.—Farmers in the United States must face increased competition from newer countries such as Canada and Argentina, as well as reduced buying power in their former European markets, Dr. E. G. Nourse of Washington, D.C., chief of the agricultural division of the Institute of Economics, warned members of the American Institute of co-operation to-day.

Late Mrs. Mary MacLennan Left an Estate of \$90,000

Toronto, August 12.—An estate of more than \$90,000 was left by Mrs. Mary Lavinia MacLennan, widow of the Hon. James MacLennan, Justice of the Ontario Court of Appeal of the Supreme Court of Canada, who died in Toronto, July 5th, leaving \$57,215 secured by mortgages, \$33,597 in stocks, \$3,318 other personal estate and \$2,000 real estate, valued at \$15,000. She bequeathed \$1,000 to her maid, Mary A. Hyland; \$500 to Blanche A. Deacon, a friend; \$100 each to her niece, Helen Duff, and her nephew, John M. Duff, and \$1,000 to Mary C. Campbell.

After distributing her household goods, jewelry and personal effects among relatives, she left the residence to her sister, Mrs. Amy E. Duff, her brothers, John and James Campbell Strange, and the three children of her deceased brother, Frank Strange, all of Kingston.

FRONTIER IS CLOSED OWING TO PLAGUE

Belgrade, Aug. 12.—Jugo Slav government has ordered Greek frontier closed because of reports of outbreak of plague in Piraeus.

LIQUOR RAIDS MADE AND 49 ARRESTED

Prohibition Agents Made Raid on Buffalo Hotels and Clubs.

Buffalo, N.Y., Aug. 12.—Forty-nine persons were arrested in a series of raids on twenty-eight downtown and eastside saloons, hotels and clubs early to-day. The raids were conducted by prohibition agents detailed here to make a secret investigation from headquarters in New York city. Much liquor was seized.

COMPULSORY ARBITRATION

In Labor Disputes Approved by the French Cabinet. Paris, Aug. 12.—The cabinet to-day approved the principal of compulsory arbitration in labor disputes and a bill to put the principle into effect will be introduced by the Government at the next session of parliament. The bill will provide for representation of organized labor on arbitration boards.

Chinese Police Fire On Tientsin Strikers

Tientsin, China, Aug. 12.—Chinese police and military were compelled to fire on striking mill workers when they staged a demonstration yesterday. Eight of the strikers were wounded, mostly in the legs.

Killed in Mine Cave-In

Arnprior, Aug. 12.—W. Proulx, a resident of Kingston Mines, and working in the mines, was accidentally killed. The part of the mines in which he was working caved in on Proulx and it took several hours of digging before the body could be located. The remains were terribly smashed up. Proulx was a man of about thirty years of age, and leaves a wife and three children.

Restore Lee Mansion. Washington, Aug. 12.—Restoration of the Lee mansion, on the highest spot in Arlington cemetery, will be undertaken under supervision of the war department, at a cost of \$225,000.