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LORD WILLINGDON IS NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BOARD OF DOMINION APPRAISERS IS RECOMMENDED FOR CUSTOMS

The Commercial Protective Association Would Reduce the Number of Ports of Entry, of Which Canada Now Has 681—Treatment of Cases of Wholesale Smuggling or Under-Valuation.

Ottawa, June 8.—Establishment of a board of dominion appraisers, to be appointed by the Governor-in-Council, consisting of a chairman and four members, which should supersede the present board of customs, is recommended in a statement presented before the special committee investigating the administration of a customs department this morning. R. F. Sparks, head of the Commercial Protective Association, read the statement to the committee. "The board of customs as constituted lacks the technical training which should be possessed by a board of dominion appraisers, selected as we suggest," the statement says. Proposed board, it is suggested in the statement, should proceed as soon as possible after its appointment with a complete reconsideration of appraisal system and personnel, both at the head office and at ports. It should be given power to retain such appraisers as it considered competent and qualified, and to appoint, with the minister's approval, such further appraisers as may be required.

Reduce Ports of Entry.
The statement submitted today re-

Successor to Baron Byng as Governor of Canada Lord Willingdon of Raton

London, June 8.—It was officially announced to-day that Lord Willingdon of Raton has accepted the appointment as Governor-General of Canada, succeeding Baron Byng of Vimy, who retires next month.



LORD WILLINGDON.
Conservatives were in power in Great Britain.
Lord Willingdon was on his way to China at the time. He was at the head of the Chinese Indemnity Fund Committee which was going to China to arrange for the return by the British Government of the Boxer indemnity amounting to some £11,000,000.

Lord Willingdon has been successively Governor of Bombay and of Madras. He sat for Hastings from 1900 to 1906 as a Liberal, and later for the Bodmin Division of Cornwall. From 1905 to 1912 he was Junior Lord of the Treasury. The new Governor-General was born plain Freeman Freeman-Thomas, and in 1910 he was created first Baron and in 1924 first Viscount Willingdon. He was born in 1866, attended Eton and Cambridge, being captain of the cricket eleven in both cases, married in 1892 Hon. Marie Adelaide, daughter of the late Lord Brassey, and his heir is Hon. Inigo Brassey Freeman-Thomas.

Lord Willingdon is in Canada early this year and was a guest of Lord and Lady Byng at the Ottawa Hotel. He was accompanied by Lady Willingdon. He was in Toronto late in January, and was asked then by newspapermen as to rumors that he was to become the next Governor-General of Canada. His reply was that rumors were not to be relied upon. He also mentioned that he was a Liberal in politics, whereas the

REMOVE AUTO EXCISE TAX OF 5 PER CENT.

Announcement of Finance Minister in the Commons.

PRICE WILL BE CUT

Manufacturers Agree to a Reduction at the Same Rate as the Tax Cut.

Ottawa, June 8.—Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance, moved an amendment to the Special War Revenue Act in the House yesterday afternoon, the effect of which will be to remove the five per cent. excise manufacturers' tax on motor cars valued at \$1,200 and under.

Mr. Robb read a letter from the automotive industries of Canada stating that automobile manufacturers would agree to reduce the price of cars to the public to the extent of the reduction.

The removal of the excise tax applies to all cars of \$1,200 and under which are forty per cent. manufactured in Canada up to April 1st, 1927, and 50 per cent. manufactured in Canada after April 1st, 1927.

The amendment changes made as follows:

The Changes.
(IA) When such automobiles are imported into Canada before the first day of April, 1927, from any foreign country the goods of which are admitted to the benefit of the British preferential tariff, when at least forty per cent. of the cost of producing the finished automobile has been incurred in such British country; or

TO TAKE PICTURE OF ALL CANADA.

Quebec, June 8.—Col. C. R. Ryder, C.B., C.I.D., D.S.O., has just arrived in this country on his way to Ottawa and afterwards to the capitals of the various provinces to interview the heads of the Federal and Provincial Governments relative to the possibility of allowing his firm, the Air Surveys Company of London, to make a complete aerial survey of the whole of Canada. His idea is to secure combined Federal and provincial action on the Dominion-wide survey scheme.

SURPLUS OF \$350,000.

Bracken Government Ends Fiscal Year Well.
Winnipeg, June 8.—A surplus approximating \$350,000 will be shown by the Bracken Government for the fiscal year which ended on April 30 last, according to reports obtained in Government circles here today.

In his estimates, Premier Bracken, as Provincial Treasurer, anticipated a deficit of about \$245,000. The favorable balance is attributed to under-expenditure of certain appropriations and to unexpected returns from certain sources of revenue.

STILL AWAIT INTERVIEW ON HYDRO RATES

Utilities Commission Anxious to Have the Matter Settled.

TO BOOST GAS SALE

Advertising Campaign and Demonstrations Are to Be Arranged.

The members of the Public Utilities Commission are still very anxiously awaiting an interview with the Hydro-Electric Commission, regarding the rates for electricity in Kingston, and the cost of power.

The latest information is to the effect that it will likely be two weeks or perhaps longer before the members of the Commission will have an opportunity of interviewing the powers that be at Toronto, in regard to the matter.

Commissioner James Halliday raised the question at a meeting of the Commission held on Monday afternoon, and Chairman McFarlane stated that he thought that the week after next, the Kingston deputation would receive a hearing. It is the intention to have the entire commission, along with Manager Folger, go to Toronto, to take up this important matter.

Commissioner Halliday suggested that the members of the Commission hold a preliminary meeting before leaving for Toronto, in order to prepare the case for the city, and it is altogether likely that this action will be taken.

To Boost Sale of Gas.
Following up the discussion held at a recent meeting of the Commission, it was decided to have Manager Folger go ahead with the arrangements for the advertising campaign to be held to boost the sale of gas. Now that the price of gas has been lowered, it is the desire of the Commission to boost the sale, and an interesting advertising campaign and demonstration for the "Cook With Gas" slogan, will be carried on. It is the intention to hold demonstrations of cooking on gas stoves and particulars of the campaign will be given in the press.

The water hydrant in front of Peter Lee's Grand Cafe, on Princess street, which has been the cause of a great deal of discussion in civic circles of late, bobbed up again at Monday's session of the Commission, when W. M. Nickle appeared on behalf of Mr. Lee, and asked that the Commission replace the street hydrant, with a wall hydrant. Mr. Nickle pointed out that Mr. Lee's business suffered to a considerable extent, as a result of the by-law forbidding the parking of autos within twenty feet of a hydrant. Mr. Lee was also present at the meeting, and pointed out how his business suffered from this hydrant.

The Board of Works recommended that the hydrant be replaced with a wall hydrant, and this recommendation was passed by the Council but the suggestion of Mayor Angrove, to have the hydrant covered with a suitable box, and allow a sign, "park here" painted on it, will likely be carried out.

AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW \$150,000,000

Government Financing Will Take Care of Loans Maturing in 1926 and 1927.

Ottawa, June 8.—The Government of Canada was authorized by Parliament yesterday to borrow one hundred and fifty million dollars to retire loans maturing in 1926 and 1927. Of this sum about \$43,000,000 will fall due in New York in October and November of this year. Next year's maturities are nearly all payable in Canada. Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance, said that the Government would follow the usual policy and borrow wherever it could get the cheapest money—whether in Canada, England or the United States.

The resolution and the bill based on it passed all stages of the House within half an hour. Mr. Robb explained that the actual sum required was about \$1,350,000.

On October 30th, about \$35,000,000 falls due, and on November 15th, another \$8,000,000. These two are payable in the United States. Next year's maturing liabilities aggregate \$109,500,000, most of which are due in Canada.

Answering a question, Mr. Robb said that the Government had not decided where it would raise the new money.

Manasse Estate, \$3,000,000.
Toronto, June 8.—The Telegram states today that it had been informed that approximately \$3,000,000 was the estimated value of the estate left by the late Chester D. Manasse. It is said that of this about one-third is bequeathed to his son, Hon. Vincent Manasse; one-third will be devoted to church and other philanthropic enterprises, and the remainder apportioned in bequests to other members of the family and to others.

FULLER AUTONOMY FOR INDIA IS URGED

Legislative Assembly Independent Leader Criticizes the Present Constitution.

M. A. Jinnah, leader of the Independent group in the Legislative Assembly of India and a member of the Indian Statutory Commission which visited the Royal Military College yesterday and today, discussing the policy of India towards the British Crown, declared that there are a very large number of Indians who do not wish to sever connection from the British Commonwealth, realizing that the continuation of present connections would be to the benefit of both. The policy of the British Government has excited a feeling of bitterness in the minds of a certain section, however, and, as Ireland would have been happy if Home Rule had been given her, so India will be content if she is given a measure of autonomy. "If the Government continues to exasperate all sections of the people, there is no telling what turn the political movement will take."

Even if India had complete responsible Government, British trade would be unaffected and the Indian market would be there for a long time to come, Mr. Jinnah emphatically stated that there is no question of disloyalty to the British Commonwealth. Indians solely desire to have responsible government similar to that enjoyed by other Dominions in the British Empire.

CLAIM THE STATUS OF CHURCH UNCHANGED

Presbyterians Repudiate Application of Word "Continuing" to Them.

Montreal, June 8.—Strenuous objection was voiced at the Presbyterian General Assembly in Knox-Crescent Church yesterday to the contention of the United Church that it is the only representative of Presbyterian ideals in Canada, and preliminary steps were taken to ensure that the public be enlightened on the fact that the body now calling itself the Presbyterian Church in Canada, is not the "continuing Presbyterian Church," but still maintains the status it held before the United Church came into being in June of last year.

The delegates to the assembly divided on the question of maintaining relations with other Presbyterian churches abroad, all agreeing that the church should remain in communication with these other bodies, but one faction contending that the work in Canada during the present difficult times was of such importance that it would be inadvisable to send commissioners to Presbyterian church assemblies in other parts of the world.

The discussion arose out of the presentation by the Rev. S. C. Parker of the report of the Committee on Correspondence with other churches, and in supporting his contention that the Presbyterian Church should still send commissioners to other church assemblies, he advanced as a reason the fact that the Presbyterian Church in Canada will be dependent for its growth on immigrants arriving from the British Isles. The convenor of the committee asserted that those immigrants are being met upon their arrival by representatives of the United Church, who inform them that that church is now the only representative of Presbyterianism in Canada, denying the existence of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. This move on the part of the unionists, Mr. Parker believed, called for immediate action on the part of the assembly, and he thought the best way to achieve the desired end would be to send commissioners abroad to let the people know that the Presbyterian Church still exists in Canada as an entity.

CIVIL SERVICE BOARD ACT MAY BE AMENDED

Question of Larger Salaries and Pensions Being Studied, Says Premier.

Ottawa, June 7.—The Government is considering asking Parliament to amend the act creating the Civil Service Commission, Premier King stated in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon in answer to a question by J. S. Woodsworth, Labor, Winnipeg North Centre. Mr. Woodsworth asked if the Prime Minister could give the House the assurance that the Civil Service Commission vacancies would be filled before the end of the present session.

The Government was anxious to have in the positions men whose character and personality would recommend them to the country, said the Prime Minister. It was not easy to find such men, and it might be necessary to ask Parliament to amend the act. At the present time the commissioners would receive \$5,000 a year for ten years, but there was no pension or retirement fund in connection with the positions. The Government was considering whether or not it should ask Parliament for larger salaries and pensions. In the meantime the commission was being in no way embarrassed, as the Justice Department had ruled that the chairman could act for the commission as a whole. The suggestion that one commissioner act alone was also being considered by the Government.

SAVING BY SENATE

In Railway Construction Claimed by Senator W. B. Ross.

Ottawa, June 8.—In the Senate last night, Senator W. B. Ross read a memorandum on the saving effected by the Senate in the National Railway branch line construction. In 1924, he said, seven branch lines were rejected by the Senate and these would have entailed an expenditure of \$12,249,000. Arrangements were made with the provinces and two of these roads were afterwards constructed, but the action of the Senate resulted in saving of at least \$11,834,000. Two other roads, the Kingsclear and Vancouver railway, and the Kamloops-Kelowna railway were passed with conditions, whereby joint arrangements could be made with the Canadian Pacific which eliminated much construction. The saving effected in these two roads was estimated at \$4,235,000, or a total saving through the Senate's action of over \$15,000,000.

Crops Blown Out By a Windstorm

Brandon, Man., June 8.—The worst windstorm experienced in this district for years commenced Saturday, continued throughout the week-end and yesterday, blowing strongly from north of this city where farms north of one or two farmers reporting fifty per cent. damage to grain. Crops, both garden and field, in all parts of the district, suffered from soil churning, and the tops were cut from garden plants in many instances.

May Make Drivers Pass Government Examination

Toronto, June 8.—Forced to action by the increasing number of motor car accidents in the province, it was stated this morning on reliable authority, that the Ontario Government would next year proclaim the existing legislation making it compulsory for every motor car driver to pass a government examination.

AMENDMENT TO GRAIN ACT IS CARRIED

Ottawa, June 8.—An amendment to the Canada Grain Act was carried by 55 to 13 in the House of Commons committee on agriculture this morning.

The vote was not on party lines, some Conservatives voting for the bill as advocated by the wheat pool.

Retail Druggists Must Have Doctor's Order To Sell Narcotics, According to Amended Act

Ottawa, June 8.—An act to amend the Opium and Narcotic Drug Act passed the committee stage and now stands for third reading in the House of Commons. Hon. J. C. El-Hott, Minister of Health, explained that the purpose of the bill was to make it impossible for a retail druggist to sell narcotics without a written order from a doctor, dentist or veterinarian. It was to assist in attaching responsibility for violations of the act.

For some time the bill was contested. It was argued by several doctors in the House that hospital superintendents were unable to purchase supplies under the existing laws. The Minister of Labor said that between now and next session of parliament it was proposed to undertake a revision of the entire act. The present amendment, however, did not affect hospital superintendents in any way.

TWO FREIGHT TRAINS COLLIDE; TWO KILLED

Engineer and Man Believed Tramp Were Those Who Met Their Death.

Winnipeg, June 8.—Two men are dead, one man is missing and several others received injuries when two Canadian National Railway freight trains collided head-on near Sims, Manitoba, at 2:30 this morning. Thomas J. Plunkett, engineer, Winnipeg, and an unidentified man, believed to be a tramp, were killed, while E. Pinault, brakeman, of Transcona is missing. The injured are: Fireman Fraser of the westbound train; Fireman Fay, slightly scalded; Dave McNab, brakeman, and Jack Meisner, brakeman. The extent of the injuries suffered by the last two are not known. A special train carrying doctors and nurses was sent from Riddell, Ont., and from Winnipeg.

SOME WILD FIGHTING IN HOUSE COMMITTEE

Missiles Thrown in Spectacular Free-for-All in Washington Session.

Washington, June 8.—A filled ink well, a water tumbler, a lawbook and a crutch were the principal weapons used in a spectacular free-for-all fight that broke up yesterday's session of a sub-committee of the House judiciary committee investigating impeachment charges against Edward J. Feeney, one of the commissioners of the District of Columbia. The bottle of ink was hurled by Representative Rankin, of Mississippi, at Frank J. Hogan, a prominent Washington lawyer and chief counsel for Mr. Feeney, after Mr. Hogan had made what the Mississippians construed to be an offensive statement.

Mr. Hogan returned the fire with the glass of water. Mr. Rankin seized a copy of the statutes of the District of Columbia, but was blocked by interference of someone and the book went aimlessly through the air. Wounded veterans scrambled forward and the crutch of one found its way through the scramble to the head of Mr. Hogan. Mr. Feeney attempted to get to Mr. Rankin for a fist blow, but said he could not reach him.

The British miners are likely to accept the invitation to a conference with the mine owners regarding a strike settlement.

Other Business.

Tenders were received for the supply of 3,000 tons of coal for the plant and it was decided to accept the lowest tender, that of the Century Coal Company Ltd., Montreal, at \$4.75 per ton. McKelvey & Birch was awarded the contract for a supply of lead at \$8.75 per hundred pounds; Gartshore-Thompson Company, of Hamilton, was awarded the contract for a supply of cast iron pipe at \$48.50 per ton. Tenders received for a supply of poles were referred to Manager Folger, with power to act, and it was also decided to call for tenders for the flooring required in the substation.

The Commission decided to adjourn until the second Monday in October, but special meetings will be called by the chairman for important business. The chairman, R. N. P. McFarlane, presided at the meeting, and also present were Mayor Angrove and Commissioners J. M. Campbell, James Harris and James Halliday.

Winnipeg Greets Meighen.
Winnipeg, June 8.—Winnipeg Conservatives turned out in full force to greet their leader Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, who arrived here yesterday to attend the provincial Conservative convention which opens today. After a brief rest, Mr. Meighen proceeded to Portage in Prairie, his own constituency. He will address the convention here this afternoon.