

THRONGS INVADE CITY FOR FARMERS' DAY

THINKS M. C. R. WAGE SLASH NOT JUSTIFIED

Men's Representative, in Minority Report, Claims Company Able to Pay.

DISAGREES WITH FINDING

Avers Body Like U. S. Labor Board Not Desirable in Canada.

BULLETIN.
St. Thomas, Sept. 13.—Receipt of the award by the conciliation board that considered the protest of Michigan Central shopmen against pay reductions similar to those made in the United States, caused practically no excitement here. The award is practically the same as that given in announcements of pay reductions posted in shops last Friday, and which were said at the time to be based on the board's findings.

Ottawa, Sept. 13.—By the Canadian Press.—Reduction in wages, effective Aug. 16, of freight car men, of 9 cents an hour, with 7 cents an hour reduction in the case of machinists, blacksmiths, electricians, passenger car men and sheet metal workers, and their helpers, employed on Canada on the Michigan Central Railway, are considered to be "fair and reasonable" by two members of the board of arbitration appointed under the industrial disputes investigation act, which has reported on the invitation to Hon. James M. G. Macdonald, minister of labor.

The men's representative on the board, in a minority report, says: "I do not agree with the findings of the majority of this board, for I think this last cut of 5, 7 and 9 cents an hour is not justified, and the company is well able to pay these men."

Not Desirable in Canada.
The men's representative, W. D. Robbins, adds that he is firmly of the opinion that such a board as the United States Railroad Labor Board, "controlling the operations of both men and companies, is not at all desirable for Canada, and certainly would not be in the interests of the men."

The majority report, which is signed by J. M. McEvoy, chairman, and H. T. Macdonald, of Hamilton, the company's representative, goes at some length into the history of wage increases and reductions on United States railroads since the outbreak of the war, and their effect upon the Canadian employee of the Michigan Central Railway.

The Canadian employees of the road, the report states, have enjoyed all the increases and have joined with the American employees in protesting before the United States Railroad Labor Board, against the decreases proposed. A fair and adequate rate of pay, proper overtime rules and general working conditions were involved in the dispute between the company and its employees. The matter was referred to the United States board when the disagreement between company and employees took place, as the men were employees in the United States as well as in Canada.

No Promise Given.

"No promise was given by employees in Canada," the report states, "that they would accept any award given by the United States Labor Board, as they repeatedly stated that they could not give decisions governing Canadian employees on American roads. The majority report refers to the manner in which railways and their employees in the past had built up a code of practice and procedure governing negotiations as

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THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.

Today—Moderate winds; scattered showers tonight.

Thursday—Northerly winds and cooler.

Pressure is high over Manitoba and the Atlantic States, and relatively low over the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Pacific States.

Showers have occurred in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, also in Northern Ontario and Alberta. Elsewhere the weather has been fair.

Temperatures.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

High. Low.

Victoria 68 52

Calgary 58 46

Winnipeg 60 32

Pt. Arthur 56 44

P. Sound 64 44

P. Toronto 62 42

Kingston 66 50

Ottawa 64 48

Montreal 64 54

Quebec 70 54

P. Point 78 42

St. John 78 42

Halifax 78 56

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 72; lowest, 46.

The official temperature for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 68; lowest, 51.

Barometric Readings.

Tuesday—8 p.m., 29.22.

Today—8 a.m., 29.17.

Irish Rebels Attack Free State Guard

CIVILS SCAMPER FOR SAFETY IN ENSUING FIGHT

Provisional Parliament Gives Cabinet Overwhelming Vote of Confidence.

DEFEAT AMENDMENTS

Figgis Deplores Reconstruction Must Await End of Military Campaign.

London, Sept. 13.—The Free State army guard at Mountjoy Prison, in Dublin, was attacked last night by rebels, and a half hour's conflict ensued, according to reports reaching Belfast from Dublin, printed by the Evening Star this afternoon. Several irregulars were wounded.

Civilians in the street, the advice add, were caught between two fires, and a wild stampede for safety ensued. None of the civilians, however, was injured.

The policies of Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins, since their deaths carried out by their successors, William T. Cosgrave and Richard Mulcahy, were approved by representatives of the people of Southern Ireland yesterday when the newly organized provisional parliament gave the government an overwhelming vote of confidence. Fifteen votes, cast by the Laborites, went against the government, while fifty-four were in its favor. Two attempts to amend the resolution of confidence were voted down. The first, by Professor Whelan of Galway, declared the civil government must be supreme; the army must not be allowed to dictate to parliament. The second, by Darrill Figgis of Dublin, deplored the ministerial announcement that reconstruction and relief of the unemployed situation must await the end of the military campaign against the irregulars.

SIR J. WILLISON EXPECTS BIG CANADIAN EXPANSION

Saskatoon, Sask., Sept. 13.—Abounding optimism was the keynote of addresses delivered last night by Sir John Willison and M. A. Brown, president and vice-president respectively of the Canada Colonization Association.

INTEND TO AID GREECE IN EVENT OF BALKAN WAR

London, Sept. 13.—The Central News, in a dispatch from Athens, says it is reliably informed that the Greek-Slav and Rumanian governments have evidenced, without equivocation, their intention of aiding Greece in the event of a Balkan conflict.

Serbian troops, it adds, are being mobilized and moved in the direction of Uskub (Skopje).

Horticultural Exhibit Finest In History of Fair

ST. THOMAS IS WINNER.

BOTH judges and visitors consider the exhibition of fruit and flowers in the Horticultural Building at the fair grounds this year the finest in the history of the Western Fair.

New methods of arrangement have been adopted with the utmost effectiveness, and there was a unanimous opinion that of all the lovely things on the grounds, the flower show was quite the loveliest.

The finest blooms that Western Ontario has yet grown grace the exhibition, and massed with colorful profusion against festoons of green vines and graceful clusters of rushes they form a scene that is superb in its perfection.

P. J. Carey of Toronto, chief judge of fruit displays, who has been judging fruit at the Western Fair for the past eleven years, stated that this year's show is by far the biggest and best he has seen so far.

"Years ago," Mr. Carey said, "we started to weed out imperfect exhibits from the fair, with the result that now only perfect specimens of the very highest class are being brought in. Since I have been judging here I have noticed a steady improvement in the fruit exhibited by growers, and the exhibition this year is the finest yet."

Forming the center of the floral exhibit are the two great banks of blooms shown by the horticultural societies of St. Thomas and London.

Both are of extraordinary beauty, but it was the St. Thomas Society to whom the judges awarded the first prize.

The decision between the two was not easy to make, "the London display being so good," the London display being so good.

London Has Fine Floral Exhibit at Western Fair



ONE of the most attractive displays in the Horticultural Building at the Western Exhibition is that of the London Horticultural Society, showing a variety of lovely blooms. While the London exhibit did not capture first prize, that award going to St. Thomas, it is a credit to the city.

PREMIER VISITS OLD HOME TOWN

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King Renews Old Associations in Kitchener.

Cheering Throngs Give Rousing Welcome to Dominion Chief.

Kitchener, Sept. 13.—By the Canadian Press.—Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King would not discuss today the rumored appointment of Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific Railway, to the chairmanship of the board of directors of the Canadian National Lines. The prime minister would neither deny nor affirm the rumor, but intimated that the statement was not correct. This impression was confirmed by those in close touch with Mr. Mackenzie King.

Will Not Be Made.
The fact that the federal cabinet will not meet again until Monday, when the prime minister returns to the capital from his visit to his old home in Kitchener, is taken as an indication that any announcement of the appointment of the new board will not be made before that date at the earliest.

The premier is "back home," and his return this morning to his birthplace was marked both by the enthusiasm with which he was received and by his eagerness to renew old friendships and to revisit old scenes. Kitchener is en fete in honor of the prime minister, and this afternoon gave expression of its affection at a monster mass meeting at Victoria.

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EXPECT TO RESCUE GOLD MINERS WITHIN 36 HOURS

Workers Resume Frantic Efforts to Release Men in California Mine.

Jackson, Cal., Sept. 13.—As rescue parties resumed today their frantic efforts to reach the 47 men entombed for 14 days in the Argonaut gold mine here, it was with the prediction of officials that the barriers would be broken through within 36 hours.

Some of those in touch with the situation, including Clarence E. Jarvis, a member of the state board of control, expressed belief that at least a few of the miners would be found alive. The general opinion, however, is that if any of the victims survive they are but a handful of the stronger and more experienced miners.

Rescue gangs are at work on two levels, those 3,600 and 3,900 feet below the surface. The imprisoned men, or most of them, are believed to be at a depth of about 4,000 feet.

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Urges Britain To Remain Neutral in Turco-Greek War

SIMLA, British India, Sept. 13.—A meeting of the Muslim members of the council of state and the legislative assembly has sent a message to Premier Lloyd George, declaring that it is vitally necessary that Great Britain observe strict neutrality between the Turks and Greeks in the present conflict.

It earnestly appeals to the government "to avail of this opportunity to restore Anglo-Turkish friendship, thereby effecting a union between the British and the Moslem world."

WILL CONFER ON COURT PROBLEMS

J. C. Elliott to have Conference With Attorney-General Raney.

There are several questions of more or less importance in connection with the Middlesex County judiciary that will be considered and disposed of, one way or the other at a conference in the immediate future between Hon. W. E. Raney, attorney-general for Ontario, and J. C. Elliott, the district crown attorney.

While intimating that the problem relative to the disposition of those cases formerly handled in the Middlesex County police court by Squire W. H. Chittick would be considered, it was to be considered more as a question for settlement by the Toronto department, the crown attorney stated that he was quite ready to submit any information on the question that he may have at his disposal, and lend his assistance and advice toward a more suitable arrangement if required.

"I have not seen the attorney-general or his deputy since my return to the city," Crown Attorney Elliott stated Wednesday, "but I will within a short period. At that time there will be certain questions of local interest to be discussed."

U. S. DISPOSES OF WOODEN VESSELS

Washington, Sept. 13.—The shipping board yesterday got rid of its "white elephant."

The great fleet of wooden vessels, conceived during the war as a means of rapidly bridging the Atlantic, was knocked down at a private competitive sale to Attorney George D. Perry, for Lent & Humphrey, of San Francisco. The price, \$750,000 for 226 vessels, all but ten of the entire wooden fleet, was considered a bargain.

FIRM BUYS DEBENTURES.
Regina, Sept. 13.—At a net cost of 513 per cent to the province, the Dominion Securities Corporation of Toronto, representing a syndicate comprising themselves and Dillon, Read & Co. of New York, yesterday purchased an issue of Saskatchewan 20 year 5 per cent debentures, their price being 97.652.

EXTEND SALE OF "OLEO" TILL '24

Government Notifies Local Customs Department of Latest Changes.

Amendment to Dairy Act Result of Agitation at Ottawa.

The local department of customs and excise have received word from Ottawa that the manufacture and importation of oleomargarine into Canada has been extended and shall be permitted until August 31, 1923, and the having in possession for sale shall be permitted until March 1, 1924.

The amendment of the dairy industry act in this respect came as a result of an agitation in the House of Commons early in the year that the sale and the importation of "oleo" in Canada be forbidden.

The act states clearly that no person shall manufacture oleomargarine in Canada without first having obtained from the minister of agriculture the necessary manufacturer's license. Persons who violate the law in this regard or who fail to have the packages containing oleomargarine labelled "oleomargarine" are liable upon summary conviction to a penalty of not less than 25 cents and not more than 50 cents for each pound manufactured.

Customs officials in the city state that there has not been a conviction registered on a local merchant under this act for some time, and that many of the larger manufacturing concerns who were making "oleo" during the war have ceased to manufacture it, finding the demand too slow. But as oleomargarine is still being sold, manufactured and imported into Canada, the department of agriculture find it necessary every now and then to warn the manufacturers and public alike of any new amendments to the act.

The Canadian laws are also strict regarding the coloring of "oleo." With regard to this, section 11 of the amended regulation says: "No substance intended for the coloring of oleomargarine shall be imported into Canada packages containing oleomargarine, and no manufacturer, retailer or wholesaler shall deal in, sell or give away any substance intended for coloring oleomargarine." An infraction of this section makes the guilty party or parties liable to a fine of not less than \$50 and, not more than \$500.

CECIL'S FRONTIER PLAN MEETS WITH OPPOSITION

Scandinavian Delegations at Geneva Refuse to Accept Further Obligations.

Geneva, Sept. 13.—Lord Robert Cecil's plan for continental agreements for the mutual protection of frontiers encountered a great deal of opposition in the discussions yesterday before the committee for the reduction of armaments. The Scandinavian delegation said that their government, under present circumstances, could not accept any further obligations than those provided in the covenant.

H. A. L. Fisher, for Great Britain, announced that the British delegation could not commit its government because it had not had an opportunity to study the plan sufficiently to pronounce upon it.

FINISH REPORT ON VALUATION OF STREET CARS

Particulars Will Be Presented to Ratepayers at Election.

REPORT TO BE CHECKED

Other Data Pertaining to Busses Will Also Be Submitted.

That an engineer's report on the valuation of track, buildings and equipment of the London Street Railway Company has been practically completed and will be used as data to submit to the ratepayers in case it is decided to take a vote on purchase of this system at the next election, was the declaration of Mayor J. Cameron Wilson Wednesday morning.

Next week an outside engineer will be called in to check up this report, after which it will be submitted to the city council. Mayor Wilson declined to divulge the identity of the engineer who has been at work on the valuation, but he is believed to be an expert from the Hydro-Electric Power Commission staff, retained by the transportation commission.

This body was recently appointed by the city council to investigate all transportation problems of London, including motor busses, London Street Railway Company and trackless trolleys. As this commission insists upon holding star chamber sessions, no reports of work accomplished can be submitted to the public, other than that given out by the members.

These members are as follows: Mayor Wilson, chairman; Ald. G. B. Drake and Ald. H. J. Childs, representing the city council, and Sir Adam Beck and Philip Pocock representing the minister of agriculture. It is expected that this commission will meet prior to appointment of the engineer to check up the London Street Railway Company figures.

Other data pertaining to trackless trolleys and motor busses will be prepared by the commission for presentation to the council at the next municipal election in December, when they will be given an opportunity to voice their opinion on the local transportation question.

U. S. RUSHES AID TO HUNGRY REFUGEES

Constantinople, Sept. 13.—The United States destroyer Edsall has left for Smyrna, bearing a deckload of supplies, including flour and condensed milk furnished by the Near East relief for the starving refugees stranded there.

The destroyer was dispatched following a receipt of urgent appeals from relief workers in Smyrna, who declared that lack of foodstuffs threatened to cause riots and that there was a greatest suffering among the children, many of whom had died from starvation.

Slight Damage Was done by fire to the roof of the home of Mrs. George Gould, 12 Bathurst street, at 1:25 o'clock this afternoon. The department extinguished the blaze in about five minutes.

Who Wants Good Job? School Board Needs Member

POST GOES A-BEGGING.

WHO is seeking for congenial employment, or has a little spare time at his disposal?

If you are in the field, how would you relish a post on the board of education? Although there will be a vacancy on that estimable body in the course of a day or two, there has not yet been any concentrated rush on the secretary's office for application blanks.

Many were called Wednesday, but none answered—that is, favorably. Offered the position free gratis, certain prominent ratepayers literally threw up their hands in mock horror, begging to be excused.

School Trustee Edwin Smith chairman, explains that his colleagues propose, once Trustee W. T. Clark resigns, as is freely anticipated, to choose from among the ratepayers one whom they consider would prove satisfactory to the great bulk of the electors, and would, what is even more important, lend strength and judgment to that august body.

"I have no person in mind," commented the chairman, "and so far as I am aware, none of my associates have as yet suggested a successor for Trustee Clark. We are ready to consider any likely names, however."

So that's that. If any citizen has any name to suggest, he is quite free, evidently, to submit the same for consideration at the next regular session of the board, September 29 next.

When consulted Wednesday, certain well-known citizens in all seriousness deplored the fact that their business relations prevented them from accepting a seat on the board, but agreed that every care should be exercised in the choice.

Fair Program

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

GRANDSTAND program in full, with spectacular display of fireworks. 6:30 A. Worthing Midway attractions. Special band concerts.

THURSDAY.

All judging completed and prize ribbons and cards displayed. Parade of prize animals before the grandstand, 2 o'clock. Full program with music and fireworks. Evening performance opens at 7:30 o'clock.

Speed Events—2:30 p.m. mile heats, purse \$300. 2:20 p.m. mile heats, purse \$300.

LONDON LABOR TO STAGE FIGHT

Campaign for Civic Elections To Be Outlined Next Week.

Plan to Place Aldermanic Candidates in Every Ward.

London labor proposes to stage the fight of its life at the next civic election, representative leaders of the movement stated Wednesday.

A meeting of the executive of the local branch of the London Labor Party has been set for Monday or Tuesday of next week, when the situation will be reviewed and recommendations and suggestions for the campaign outlined.

It is more than probable that a regular session of the party will be held the following Friday at the Labor Temple.

While opinion seems fairly well divided relative to the advisability of placing candidates in the field for the mayor's chair, the chiefs are clamoring for a change at the city hall, inasmuch as the city council and the board of education are involved.

There has been no favorable time like the present, they say, for a strenuous campaign to introduce new blood in these two important civic bodies, and a vigorous policy is assured. It is proposed at this moment that candidates will be placed in the aldermanic arena in all wards, while a special effort will be made to induce a number of suitable ratepayers to offer themselves for the board of education.

The question involving the mayor's party as a whole in adequate time for a good campaign should it be decided to bring out a candidate this year, members of the executive explain.

"Get busy early while the others are thinking about it," is the slogan adopted by the labor element.

DENY GRAY NAMED HEAD OF CANADIAN RAILROADS

Ottawa, Sept. 13.—It was stated in official circles last night, although the appointment to the chairmanship of the Canadian National Railways has been made, that C. R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific Railway, was not the official chosen.

It was stated that official announcement concerning the new personnel could be expected in a few days, but no intimation as to its composition was given.

LATE SPORTING NEWS

THORNCLIFFE RACE RESULTS.

First race—3 years and up; mile; June Fly \$6.10, \$3.50, \$2.35, won; St. Paul \$4.75, \$2.70, second; Delaham \$2.40, third. Time—1:43. Tom McCann, Playwright, Statin and Troubler also ran.

Second race—3 years and up; six furlongs; Theo \$24.45, \$9.35, \$4.70, won; Thorny Way \$38.50, \$4.70, second; Delimar \$3.40, third. Time—1:14.5. Paul Connolly, Fincaise, Sirocco, Yermak, Fitzboodie, Mary R. and Chief Barthell also ran.

Third race—Claiming; 3 years and up; 5 1/2 furlongs; Hindoo \$8.35, \$2.35, won; Ogarte \$4.30, \$4.30, second; Ras \$4.30, third. Time—1:07.3.5. Arrow Point, Joyce Hoffman Deland, Quick Run, Col. Murphy, Rogart, Little Less, Black Hackle, Efficient, also ran.

ENQUIRER WINS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Sept. 13.—First race—Dorval track—3 years and up; six furlongs; The Enquirer \$5.60, \$4.30, \$3.40, won; Mess Kif \$7.10, \$5.60, second; Jacobean \$4.10, third. Time—1:20. Chas. A. Byrne, Charlotte, Captain Greet, Eddie Tranter, Theresa, Vive Cuba, Thrills, Hoboku, also ran.

LATE NEWS BULLETINS.

BRING TRUE BILL AGAINST SIR MONTAGU ALLEN.

Montreal, Sept. 13.—The grand jury of the court of king's bench today brought in a true bill against Sir Montagu Allen, president of the defunct Merchants Bank, who is charged with negligently signing a false return on the bank's financial condition to the government for October, 1921.

WESTERN FAIR ATTRACTS MANY RURAL VISITORS

Grand Parade of Prize-Winning Animals Features Program.

CROWDS BREAK RECORD

Health Inspector Reports Improvement in Condition of Booths.

From far and near in Western Ontario, by automobile, by special train, visitors poured in the city by thousands Wednesday, to celebrate farmers' day at the Western Fair.

Early indications today point to a crowd that will break a record for attendance at the exhibition. Before noon more people were on the grounds than the attendance of Monday and Tuesday together, and still the streets were jammed with people.

Concession men, exhibitors and directors, who wore more or less worried faces Monday and Tuesday, developed broad smiles Wednesday morning as the turnstiles sang continually and business sprang into being everywhere. Even at an early hour sideshows and all buildings were crowded with spectators.

Every railroad and branch line running to the city carried extra trains during the morning and early afternoon. The streets were crowded to the limit of space. In addition to this, many cars arrived at the Fair, the extra men were hired by the Fair board to usher them into parking places in the race track oval.

Shortly after noon all judging at the Fair had been completed when the calf-feeding contest was held, and the last few Holstein cows, the judging of which was left over from Tuesday, was led back to their stalls. Everything was then ready for the first grand parade of prize-winning animals before the grandstand in the afternoon.

Although only a few classes remained to be judged, the arena was crowded by interested spectators as it never was before this week. Interest was especially manifested in the calf-feeding contest, when the result of many weeks of hard work on the part of many boys and girls of Western Ontario was made known.

Pledged Themselves.

When the contest was opened two months ago boys and girls entering were required to take a scrub calf, either a young animal or a yearling which they pledged themselves to feed and tend to personally during the time of the contest. The calf showing the best condition at the end of the time won for its owner first prize.

The respective winners in the two classes were as follows:

YOUNG CALVES.

- 1—Hector Kyle, Drumbo.
- 2—Evelyn Jones, Southwold.
- 3—Jan Turnbull, Brussels.
- 4—Kingsbury Kyle, Drumbo.
- 5—Frank Shore, Glanworth.
- 6—Maurice Shore, Glanworth.
- 7—Belle Currah, Bright.
- 8—Belle Currah, Bright.
- 9—W. S. Pelton, Paris.
- 10—Ernest R. O'Neill, Denfield.
- 11—Emmerson Wallis, Granton.
- 12—Clifford Perry, Appin.
- 13—Harold Wallis, Granton.
- 14—Frederick B. Muma, Ayr.
- 15—Dick Martin, Sheffield.
- 16—McKenzie Hall, Ayr.
- 17—Stanley H. Edwards, Watford.
- 18—Andrew H. McKague, Teeswater.

Yearlings.

- 1—W. Hastings, Guelph.
- 2—Maurice Shore, Glanworth.
- 3—Fred Skinner, Perth.
- 4—Harry R. R. Fries, Bright.
- 5—Jan Turnbull, Brussels.
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