

FIRST PRIVATE MEMBER MOTION BEFORE HOUSE

Its Passage Will Entail Amendment to the Dominion Elections Act.

MOTION AFFECTS THE FRANCHISE OF WOMEN

Enfranchisement of Foreign Born Women, Naturalized by Marriage, Point in Issue.

Ottawa, Mar. 29.—(Canadian Press)—The first private member's motion of the session was carried without division in the House today and will entail an amendment to the Dominion Elections Act affecting the franchise of women. The enfranchisement of the foreign-born women, naturalized by marriage to a Canadian, was practically at issue. Under a sub-section of the Act, as it stands, such a woman, unless born on the continent of North America, must obtain a certificate from a judge before she is entitled to vote.

Sought Expression of Opinion

Mr. D. Bales, Liberal of North West, led the discussion. As he had done in previous sessions, Mr. Bales sought an expression of opinion from the House that the sub-section should be struck from the Act. He claimed that it had disfranchised thousands of women born in France or Belgium in a position inferior to that of the Mexican or American, educated or uneducated, black or white. The sub-section, it was contended by Conservatives, was directed against women from Germany and Austria although Mrs. Hugh Guthrie, former Solicitor-General, who piloted the Act through the House, admitted that the reasons for the clause which existed two or three years ago were not so strong.

Miss Agnes MacPhail entered the discussion. She held that women wanted equal rights under the franchise. Her remarks, to the amusement of the House, occasioned a reply from Mr. Mayor Church, of Toronto, who informed Miss MacPhail that she did not represent "all the women in this country." The Prime Minister indicated his approval of the resolution and announced that if it received also the approval of the House, the Government would bring it before the Dominion Elections Act. After nearly three hours' discussion, the House gave its approval. The best sign will be the submission of the Government amending bill.

DALTON SANITARIUM WHITE ELEPHANT

P. E. I. Government Falls Heir to Institution and Wants to Give It Away.

Charlottetown, March 29.—The Provincial Legislature, today, passed a bill vesting the ownership of the Charles Dalton Sanitarium in the Provincial Government. This institution, originally built by Sir Charles Dalton, wealthy fur rancher, at a cost of fifty-three thousand dollars, was presented to the province, was taken over by the Federal Government for soldier patients and enlarged at a cost of \$400,000. After the war it was closed, the Federal Government asking the Provincial Government to take it off its hands. As the Provincial Government cannot afford to operate, what they call a white elephant institution, they presented claims for damages against the Federal Government for accepting the transfer of the property. Nothing coming of these claims they have formally taken over the property again with the intention of handing it back to Dalton if he will accept it.

SEALING FLEET STILL IN THE ICE

Have So Far Been Unable to Work Through Jam to Main Herd.

Sydney, N. S., March 29.—The Newfoundland sealing fleet has not yet worked through the ice to the main herd located by the airmen. The ship in the lead now has 13,000 on board and 3,000 more panned. Five thousand of the Diana's 7,000 seals went down when she was crushed by the ice.

PRESIDENT BAXTER'S COURSE APPROVED

Is Backed by International President U. M. W. on Stand Taken in Nova Scotia

Sydney, N. S., March 29.—Robert Baxter, president of District No. 26, United Mine Workers, has received from International President J. W. Lewis a letter expressing approval of his course followed by Mr. Baxter in striking the miners to accept the new Montreal agreement and opposing the policy of "striking on the job" or sabotaging the output.

Little Hope That Charles Will Survive

Former Austria-Hungary Emperor Has Pneumonia and Cerebral Complications.

Lisbon, Portugal, March 29.—There is little hope that former Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary will survive his illness, according to advices received here today from the island of Madeira. In addition to pneumonia there are cerebral complications. The doctors have resorted to the administration of oxygen. The one-time Emperor has made his will.

BURNED PLANT OF FREEMAN'S JOURNAL

Armed Men Smashed Presses, Scattered Gasoline on Floor and Fired Building.

CONSTABLE PATROL RUN INTO AMBUCADE

Fighting Lasting 20 Minutes Took Place Between Specials and Republican Army Members.

Dublin, March 29.—A large party of armed men early this morning held up the staff of the Freeman's Journal, smashed the presses, threw gasoline on the floors and stairs and set fire to the building. Freeman was endeavoring to quench the flames when this despatch was filed. The staff of the newspaper was liberated after the fire was started.

Specials Killed

Belfast, March 29.—Fighting lasting twenty minutes took place today between Constables and Crossmaglen of the South Armagh-Monaghan border, ran into an ambush of Irish Republican Army men. Four constables in advance of the patrol were taken by surprise. Two of them were killed outright and another was so badly wounded that he died later. The fourth constable is suffering from severe wounds. The patrol returned the fire vigorously, but the Republican Army men who had the advantage of ground suffered no casualties.

London Conferences

London, March 29.—Representatives of the Northern and Southern Governments in Ireland came to London today to confer with the Imperial authorities on the situation in Ireland arising from the recent disorders. A conference was held this afternoon and afterwards Arthur Griffith said the southern delegations would meet Sir James Craig, the Ulster Premier and his colleagues tomorrow morning.

CREW OF STEAMER SAGONA ORDERED HOME

Made Demands Upon Employers Impossible of Fulfillment—Not Without Jobs

St. John's, Nfld., March 29.—The 150 members of the crew of the sealing steamer Sagona, served notice that they considered themselves entitled to \$25 each for quitting their work of hunting seals in northern Newfoundland waters and for the rescue of the crew of the sealer Diana, crushed in the ice. The owners, when notified by wireless of this demand, ordered the ship home, and she came into port today with 3,500 seal pelts aboard, about one-third of a full load. The crew of the Diana, landed by the Sagona at Bay de Verde yesterday, arrived here today.

CONDITION OF SIR JOHN EATON SERIOUS

Has Taken Turn for the Worse and Physicians Issued Alarming Bulletin.

Toronto, March 29.—According to a bulletin issued tonight, Sir John Eaton, president of the T. Eaton Company, has taken a turn for the worse, and his condition is alarming. Sir John has been seriously ill for some weeks, but recently his condition showed considerable improvement and hopes were held out for his recovery. His eldest son, Timothy, who was at school in England, reached Toronto a few days ago.

THE SUPPORT OF INDEPENDENTS IS NECESSARY

Fate of Lloyd George's Resolution of Confidence Depends on Their Action.

TERMS CONSIDERED BY LIBERALS

Asquith to Press for Information on Agreements of the Boulogne Conference.

London, March 29.—The fate of the resolution of confidence, approving the actions of the recent meeting of the Supreme Council at Geneva, regarding the Genoa conference, which Premier Lloyd George will introduce in the House of Commons next Monday as a part of the British Government's programme at Genoa, seemingly depends, largely, on whether it will secure the support of the Independent Liberals and Laborites. It is not quite certain whether these groups will accept the programme, although it is considered they could hardly vote against the Genoa policy, and the resolution avoids the delicate question of confidence in Mr. Lloyd George as leader.

An informal meeting of the Liberal members of the House of Commons tonight, and tomorrow, Herbert H. Asquith will question J. Austen Chamberlain, the Government Leader in the Commons, as to whether any agreement was arrived at during the Boulogne Conference between Mr. Lloyd George and Poincare, the French Premier, limiting the subjects to be discussed at Genoa. Judging from the way Mr. Chamberlain has replied to all such questions in the Commons today, declining to say anything in advance of the Premier's speech on Monday, it seems likely that Mr. Asquith's desire for information will remain unsatisfied.

The Resolution

The resolution which Mr. Lloyd George will personally introduce next Monday is as follows: "Resolved, that this House approve the resolutions passed by the Supreme Council at Geneva as a basis for the Genoa Conference, and that it will support His Majesty's Government in endeavoring to give effect to them."

The labor party had already given notice of an amendment to the resolution which will say: "While approving of an international economic conference, this House regrets that the scope of the discussions at Genoa has been so circumscribed that the Conference must fall short of a settlement of the political and economic evils which affect Europe, and it is of the opinion that the Government, which clearly has not the confidence of the country and which is responsible for a policy whose untoward effects are to be considered at Genoa, is not competent to represent this country."

There is still diversity of opinion whether on the question of recognition of the Soviet Government, Mr. Lloyd George yielded to Winston Spencer Churchill, the Colonial Secretary or vice versa, but it is noteworthy that the Commons resolution, which Mr. Lloyd George will ask Parliament next Monday to endorse, makes recognition of Russia, dependent upon that country's acknowledgment of all public debts and obligations. It has been reported that Mr. Lloyd George has favored recognition of Russia on less onerous terms.

MOUNT ALLISON WON DEBATE FROM ACADIA

Discussed Immigration Subject Before Large Audience of Students at Moncton.

Moncton, N. B., March 29.—Mount Allison won the debate from Acadia in Sackville tonight, the former scoring two points to one for Acadia. The question at issue was "Resolved, that it would be more beneficial to Canada for the Governor-General in Council by his powers, under the present Immigration Law, to admit South Eastern Europeans for the next 25 years even up to the yearly limit reached in 1913, other than totally to exclude them."

22 MILLS CLOSED IN RHODE ISLAND

Providence, R. I., March 29.—The number of mills closed by the traffic strike in Rhode Island climbed to 22 today when the Andrews mill, North Smithfield, shut down, following a walk-out of the employees due to a ten per cent. wage cut.

THREE YOUNG MEN FOUND ASPHYXIATED IN A FREIGHT CAR

Discovered at Trenton, Missouri, in Car Billed to Toronto, Canada.

Trenton, Missouri, March 29.—Three young men were found asphyxiated in a freight car here today. One of the bodies was identified as George Cooke, 25 years old and a letter in his pocket indicated that he was enroute to Toronto, Canada, because of the death of his sister and illness of his mother. The car was consigned to Canada. Another man carried a card inscribed George Jos Robert Hummel, 22, born in Cambridge, Mass. The third body, that of a youth about 20, bore nothing to disclose its identity.

UPPER CHARLO SUFFERS FROM RAGING FIRE

Several Fine Residences and Large General Store Completely Destroyed.

FLAMES FANNED BY HEAVY WIND

Burning Embers from Fire's Origin Carried to Many Buildings in Vicinity.

Special to The Standard
Campbellton, N. B., March 29.—A disastrous fire is raging at the village of Upper Charlo, twenty miles below Campbellton, and on the main C. N. R. The fire started this evening at ex-Sheriff Thomas Craig's residence, and with a very high wind blowing, the flames were blown on Mr. Henry McKenzie's residence which, with barns and outhouses, were all destroyed. From here the fire spread to Mr. LeBlanc's new residence, and from there to Mr. A. S. Arsenault's residence and large general store which were all entirely destroyed. The summer cottages of Mr. H. J. Currie and Mr. H. B. Anselow, of the Graphic, just across the highway, were saved by neighbors. It is hard to get messages as the telephone wires are down. The loss will be heavy, particularly A. S. Arsenault's, who moved into a five-room store less than two years ago and carried a very heavy general stock. It is not likely that there will be much insurance carried.

RAILWAY UNION AFTER SCALP OF HON. F. B. CARVELL

Convention of Railway Workers Pass Resolution Demanding of Gov't His Resignation.

Windsor, March 29.—Removal of Hon. F. B. Carvell, from the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada, will be demanded by Division No. 4, Railway Employees' Department, American Federation of Labor. The convention of the railway workers which is being held here, unanimously passed a resolution today calling upon the Federal Government to take this action. The convention termed public statements of Mr. Carvell, from the Board of Railway Commissioners, "antagonistic and vituperative," and declared that the Chief Commissioner was "ridiculously prejudiced" and "unfit for his position."

The delegates criticized particularly a statement which Mr. Carvell was alleged to have made to the effect that earnings of railway employees were exorbitant, that the workers were laying down on the job and that they needed the whip to make them work harder. One speaker declared that any such contention was refuted by the increase output of the shops. The convention confirmed the decision of the division to enter a pact with the other standard railway unions and coal miners, regarding such a pact as an offensive and defensive agreement of affiliated organizations to combat anything in the nature of wage reductions and alteration for the worst of working conditions. Support to the limit was promised the executive of the division to its stand to prevent alteration in the existing agreement with the railway association of Canada in regard to time and a half payment for Sundays and holidays.

KILLED HIMSELF WHILE MELANCHOLY

Trenton, N. S., March 29.—That he shot and killed himself while suffering from melancholia was the verdict of the coroner's jury which enquired into the circumstances of the death of Dr. M. K. Langille, well known dentist, who was found dead in his home here with a gun shot wound in his face. Dr. Langille, who was sixty-five years old, leaves a widow, one son and one daughter.

GOVT REFUSES TO BE MADE CAT'S PAW FOR MINERS

Will Not Name Royal Commission to Investigate Troubles in N. S. Coal Fields.

McLACHLAN PROVES STUMBLING BLOCK

His Attitude Places Premium on Methods Prejudicial to the Public Interest.

Ottawa, March 29.—(Canadian Press)—The Government will not appoint a Royal Commission to investigate the trouble existing between the British Empire Steel Corporation and the miners in the Nova Scotia coal fields. This decision was announced tonight by Hon. James Murdock, Minister of Labor, and was in reply to representations made to the Government by miners' agents in the coal mining industry, cutting the output of Parliament from the same districts. "Under all the circumstances, the Government has deemed it inadvisable to appoint a Royal Commission," Mr. Murdock stated. "It must be understood that in its decision the Government has been influenced by the attitude of Mr. MacLachlan, secretary of the United Mine Workers of America, who has indicated his intention to insist on the employees in the coal mining industry cutting the output and doing as little work as possible for the wages paid. To grant a commission, in view of the declaration and attitude of Mr. MacLachlan, would, in the opinion of the Government, be placing a premium on the advocacy of methods most prejudicial to the public interest and unfair as respects relations between employer and employee. "Press reports also indicate that the miners have repeated advice as to reasonable and consistent loyalty to the employer from other representatives of the employees, and have proposed that Mr. MacLachlan should be regarded as a dictator of the miners' policy, which policy, as outlined by Mr. MacLachlan, cannot in any measure be countenanced by the Government. "The Government regrets exceedingly the alleged existing conditions in Nova Scotia, but cannot be a party to countenancing the position taken by Mr. MacLachlan and others who are following his instructions."

Received Threats
Dr. Walter took the stand in the morning and afternoon sessions of the court, and stated that he had suffered incessant persecution and anonymous threats, and that his dogs had been poisoned and his fruit trees cut with a knife with a view to killing them. He was cross-examined by Gustave Desaulniers, counsel for the defence, who ascertained that he was of German parentage and born in Switzerland where he had been naturalized. Later he had been naturalized as a British subject in England. Professor Morin, who is the son-in-law of Father Orléan, the priest, pleaded not guilty. The case was adjourned until tomorrow.

BEAVERBROOK DINED WITH LLOYD GEORGE

Considerable Political Interest Attached to Event Because of Former's Power in Politics.

London, March 29.—(Canadian Press Cable)—The London political correspondent of the Yorkshire Evening News, Leeds, states that Premier Lloyd George dined with Lord Beaverbrook last evening when he returned to London from Oriskany. Considerable political interest attaches to the event, the paper says, as Lord Beaverbrook is known to be in close touch with Mr. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law, former Government leader in the House of Commons. It is recalled that Lord Beaverbrook played a notable part behind the scenes in events immediately preceding the downfall of the Asquith Coalition Government.

CHILD RUN OVER BY HEAVY MOTOR TRUCK

Dies in Victoria Hospital, Halifax, as Result of Injuries Received.

Halifax, March 29.—Ethel White, the young daughter of John White, 109 Almcove street, died tonight in the Victoria General Hospital as a result of injuries received when run over by a heavy motor truck today. The little girl was trying to climb on the truck to have a ride when she fell under the rear wheels.

Parishioners Fired Upon By Soviet Guards

Four Killed When They Tried to Prevent Confiscation of Church Treasures.

Moscow, March 29.—Four parishioners were killed and ten wounded when Red guards fired into a crowd which were obstructing the doorway of a provincial church in an endeavor to prevent the authorities from executing the recent Soviet Government decree for the confiscation of church treasures. It was learned in Moscow today.

CHARGED WITH PLACING PARIS GREEN IN WELL

Former Professor at McGill University Standing Trial on Serious Charge.

DAMAGING EVIDENCE FROM SERVANT

Dr. Walter, Owner of Well, Reveals Tale of Incessant Persecutions and Threats.

Montreal, March 29.—At the opening here, today, of the trial of Fleuthere Morin, formerly Assistant Professor of Languages at McGill University, charged with having poisoned with Paris green the well at the country residence of Dr. Herman Walter, Professor of Languages at McGill, the outstanding evidence was that furnished by Marianne Ange Morin, namesake of the accused, employed as servant in Professor Morin's summer camp at L'Islet County in August, 1920. She stated that she had heard the Professor say "we have put some poison in the well, but who saw us? No one saw us. There were some big raspberry bushes there and nobody saw us." She identified Professor Morin in court as the man who had said these words, but was unable to state to whom they had been addressed.

GORONER'S VERDICT AGAINST BENNY SWIM

Find He Fired the Shots That Caused Death of Harvey Trenholm and Wife.

Special to The Standard.
Woodstock, N. B., March 29.—Coroner W. W. Hay held his court this afternoon to inquire into the circumstances of the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Trenholm, at 4.30 on Monday afternoon, at Benton Ridge, Carleton county. Trenholm is a native of Bag Verta, Westmorland county, where his parents reside, and where his father expresses the wish to the sheriff, by writ this afternoon, that the body be sent tomorrow for interment. His wife, Olive Swim, is a native of Rockland, Carleton county, the family removing to Hartin Settlement, York county, a few years ago. The alleged murderer, Benny Swim, is a native of Rockland, this county, where his parents reside. The following witnesses were heard this afternoon: William Sharp, at whose house the murder was committed; Roy Swim, a brother of Olive Swim, who was the first to see the body of Trenholm at Sharpe's doorstep; Dr. T. W. Griffin, who with Dr. N. P. Grant, conducted the post-mortem examination; Sheriff A. E. Foster and Deputy-Sheriff H. V. Porter and Earl McHenry, who were present among the first at the Sharpe house; Leslie Bell, who was chopping wood some 100 yards from the Sharpe house when the shots were fired that killed Trenholm and his wife at 4.30 on Monday afternoon; Robert Bell, who with Trenholm were members of the fighting 36th all through the war. He saw Benny Swim coming from between Sharpe's house and barn at 4.35, and Archie McHenry, who telephoned news of the murder to Sheriff Foster. The jury consisted of DeLest Franklyn, foreman; Melvin McElroy, German Steeves; Eugene Smidke, Frank Porter; Roy Franklin; Bert Grant; David Grant; William Lewis; Hugh Porter; Murray McPherson and Charles McMillan. Through its foreman, DeLest Franklyn, the jury brought in a verdict that Harvey Trenholm and wife came to their deaths from revolver shots fired by Benny Swim. The preliminary examination will commence before Police Magistrate Chipman at 10 o'clock on Monday morning.

THE FAR FAMED SHRINE ST. ANNE MASS OF RUINS

Fire Caused Monetary Loss Estimated at \$1,200,000 With Insurance of \$500,000.

MIRACULOUS STATUE OF ST. ANNE SAVED

In Charred and Smoking Ruins of Majestic Cathedral Priceless Objects Are Buried.

Quebec, March 29.—(Canadian Press)—As a result of the fire which broke out this morning at St. Anne de Beauspre, only the gaunt ruins of the majestic cathedral which marked the site of the far-famed shrine, where pious pilgrims were worshipped for more than three centuries, are left standing, while the sacristy, the monastery and the college are also a mass of desolate debris. The monetary loss involved is estimated at \$1,200,000, while the insurance carried will probably reach the sum of \$500,000. Although no definite plans have yet been announced by the Redemptorist Fathers, it was stated that, as soon as possible, work would be started to rebuild the venerable pile and it was said that it would be constructed on a larger and even more imposing scale than the building which has just been destroyed. This afternoon all that remained standing in the facade, surrounded by the large statue of St. Anne, and the walls on the south side of the church. Priceless Articles Buried. In the charred and smoking ruins there are buried priceless objects, including the main altar, a magnificent work of white marble and brass, as well as exquisite carving, representing the "Last Supper"; the communion railing, the Bishop's throne, the pulpit, and the chancel stalls, the rich stained glass windows, a magnificent organ, which was one of the best on the continent. When the fire had attacked the church, the Blessed Sacrament was taken from the pile by Rev. Father Philal, C. S. S. R.; while the parishioners worked to save all the treasures they could. Statue Saved. The miraculous statue of St. Anne, known as the shrine, which stood at the extremity of the middle aisle near the communion rail, was saved. It was at the foot of this statue that the pilgrims kneel and "renew" the relic, and when cured left their crutches. The pedestal upon which the statue stands is a very rich piece of art, uniting in harmony several different kinds of marble, and was the gift of a New York lady. The miraculous statue was a magnificent family, whose son was a member of the Redemptorist community at Beauspre. Another priceless art relic which was saved was an oil painting by Lebrun, which was presented to the shrine in August, 1666, by Marquis de Tracy. Most of the jewels and statuary were also saved. The precious jewels were also taken out in time, while the relics were safely deposited in the vaults. The old chapel and the Scala Sancta, situated on the north side of the roadway, escaped unscathed, but besides the Cathedral and three altars therein, the sixteen side chapels, situated in aisles on either side of the Cathedral, were also destroyed.

PREMIER MARTIN SLATED FOR JUDGESHIP

Believed Hon. Charles Dunning Will Become New Premier of Saskatchewan.

Winnipeg, March 29.—The elevation of Premier Martin to the Court of Appeals of Saskatchewan is only a matter of days, and there is no doubt that Hon. Charles Dunning, provincial treasurer of Saskatchewan, will be the new Premier, states a special despatch to the late edition of the Free Press this evening from Regina. Mr. Dunning will take into his cabinet as Attorney-General either Col. J. A. Cross, C. C. D. S. O., or Lieutenant Colonel C. H. Gray, K. O., the despatch states.

MAY DROP CHARGES AGAINST RICKARD

Three Other Indictments Hanging Over the Famous Promoter of Boxing.

New York, March 29.—George L. (Tex) Rickard, sports promoter, who was acquitted of charges of assault and abduction in Supreme Court here early today, will probably not be called to answer to three similar indictments that have been found against him by the grand jury. This was indicated today by Assistant District Attorney Pease, who conducted during the past week the trial of Rickard on accusations made by Sarah Schoenfeld, aged 11.