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TEMPER OF STREET RAILWAY MEN POINTS TO STRIKE ACTION Drayton Announces Number of Fresh Changes in Luxury Taxation MORE LUXURY TAX CHANGES ARE MADE BY PARLIAMENT; ALL ITEMS KEENLY DEBATED

Taxation Changes Affect Scores of Articles, Including Clothing, Eatables, Jewelry and Household Goods.

Ottawa, June 15.—(By Canadian Press.)—More changes were made to the luxury taxes in the house today. On every item discussion was keen. Occasionally there were furries. At one time, Mr. D. D. McKenzie (Cape Breton North) had suggested the exemption of the cheaper makes of candy. How could such candy, taken home by a father to his children on Saturday night, be called a luxury? And, a few moments later, he heatedly asked to know why the minister of finance had made no reference to his suggestion. Sir Henry, conciliatory, was proceeding to reply when Mr. McMaster called out: "He's giving you a taffy."

Debate Gum Tax

There were protests, too, against reduction of the tax on chewing gum from ten to three per cent. Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux has preferred an increase of 50 per cent. Chewing gum was not chewed in any civilized country in Europe. Mr. Jacobs of George Etienne Cartier, Montreal, was not interested in the chewing gum policy of the government, but he was anxious to know what the government meant by substituting chewing gum for tobacco. But the minister of finance shook his head. It was not that which was meant, he explained, but a gum other than chicorée.

Luxury Tax Amendments

Henry Drayton formally moved amendments to the general resolutions, making the tax on boots and shoes, ordinary clothing men's and women's, and rugs and mats 15 per cent. on prices in excess of a fixed amount, instead of 10 per cent. on the whole amount. Footwear is taxable over \$9 and men's suits over \$45; women's over \$50; dresses, over \$45, are all taxable at 15 per cent. on the amount.

SINN FEINERS SHOW MUCH ENTHUSIASM

Resolutions Passed by Councils Congratulate Republican Party on Successes.

Dublin June 15.—Meetings of the newly-elected Sinn Fein councils in South Tipperary, Carrick-on-Shannon, and other places, have been accompanied by extraordinary scenes of enthusiasm. Resolutions have been adopted, acknowledging the authority of the Sinn Fein parliament, congratulating the Irish republican army on its manifold successes and calling upon the army to protect the lives and property of the citizens. Copies of these resolutions have been forwarded to the governments of Europe and the United States.

KITCHENER TO DEVELOP BRIDGEPORT WATER PLAN

Kitchener, June 15.—(Special.)—It was announced today, that the local water commission would proceed with the development of the Bridgeport water works project. Final plans will be drafted by Superintendent Marcel Pouchart. He stated today that the plans would be ready so that work can begin this fall.

HATS FOR HOLIDAY NEEDS.

Hats for traveling by train, boat or motor. Before going on your vacation make sure you are provided with a comfortable dressy hat that will make you feel at home in either sun or wind. Desirable styles, also raincoats, umbrellas, motor rugs and dusters.

CHANGES MADE IN LUXURY TAXES NOT IN FORCE TILL BILL PASSES

Ottawa, Ont., June 15.—(Special.)—"Changes made in luxury taxes today or preceding days do not go into effect until the bill covering all changes is brought into parliament and passed, but the laws announced on May 19 remain in effect until then," announced Sir Henry Drayton today. "It is improbable there will be any refunds on purchases made at a higher rate of taxation than is subsequently adopted."

LABOR FEDERATION NOT AN UPHOLDER OF SOVIET IDEALS

Proposal to Ask U. S. Government to Truckle to Russia Voted Down.

BACK BOSTON POLICE

Montreal, June 15.—The American Federation of Labor in its annual convention here today declined to lend any support or comfort to the soviet government of Russia. After a two-hour warm and bitter debate, defenders of Bolshevism were routed and crushing defeated, when the convention overwhelmingly voted not to demand of the United States government the lifting of the blockade against Russia and the recognition of the soviet government.

FRESH SINN FEIN OUTRAGE.

Gorey, County Wexford, Ireland, June 15.—A police inspector, Captain Wilson, has been shot dead by five armed men. Seven shots were fired at him.

CHANGES IN TAXATION AS PASSED IN COMMONS

Men's Hats Not Taxed Unless Worth Over Seven Dollars Each—Musical Instruments to Be Taxed Ten Per Cent.—Playing Card Tax Amended.

Ottawa, June 15.—The following changes in taxation passed the house today:
The tax of 10 per cent. now applies on men's hats over \$7 each. Formerly hats were taxed over \$5.
Underwear (except silk) is now taxable over \$4 per garment, or \$8 for union suits. Formerly these figures were \$2 and \$6, respectively.
Velvet, velveteens, plush and silk goods are now taxable at prices over \$2 per yard (10 per cent.). This tax formerly applied to such articles at any price.
Ribbons, lace and braid, formerly taxable at any price, is now assessed on prices higher than 50c per yard for general goods, and collaretts at \$2.

THE CARMAN'S ANTHEM.

Make him Victorious,
Long to please our,
Happy and glorious,
God save old Vick.

TELEGRAM CLUE TAKES DEFECTIVE ON SMALL TRAIL

"Hold Small Three Days Longer," Says Message—Investigation Started.
DOUGHTY OPENED SAFE
A somewhat startling development in the case of the mysterious disappearance of J. Ambrose Small took place in the middle of last week and sent Detective Sgt. Mitchell off to New York at express speed. The World learned yesterday that information came to the knowledge of the Toronto detective department last Wednesday that a telegram had been dispatched from a certain point in the United States to an address in New York, saying, "Hold Small for three or four days longer." Immediately word of this message was communicated to the police department Sgt. Mitchell was hurried off to New York. On Friday he sent a telegram to the Toronto headquarters, stating in effect that he found the information in the wire "informative" and was following up the clue. Sgt. Mitchell is still in New York working on the case, but up to last night no further information concerning the progress of his search for Mr. Small had been received in Toronto.

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GOVERNMENT HOPES FOR PROROGATION BY JUNE TWENTY-SIXTH

Much, However, Remains to Be Done, and Members Are Dubious.

LEADERSHIP GOSSIP

Ottawa, June 15.—The government expects prorogation on Saturday, June 26, but they are more optimistic than the majority of the members who now expect to celebrate Dominion Day in the capital. It is understood parliament will sit on Saturday in an effort to forward business and make an early prorogation possible. There remains much of the budget, two highly controversial clauses of the franchise act, and much other legislation. Some of this will be dropped, and it is not expected there will be much more discussion on the estimates. The government caucus is expected about Tuesday, June 23. Sir Robert Borden has yet to give any intimation of his intentions, but the vast majority of his supporters are confident they must elect a new leader before they leave Ottawa.

UNITED STATES TO DEPORT ECREMENT

Former M.P. for Berthier, Que., to Face Trial in Montreal.
Montreal, June 15.—Arthur Ecrement, former member of parliament of the Liberal party in the district of Montreal, and former secretary to the Speaker of the Canadian senate, who has been under charges of extorting \$125,000 in a race-track and wire-tapping game from Michael Connolly of this city, and who has also been arrested in connection with the \$5,000,000 bond robbery case in New York, will be back here inside of a few days, and, perhaps, within a few hours.

THE STREET CAR SITUATION.

If the street car men decide to go out on strike they ought to give at least two days' notice—thereby making opportunity for negotiations.
And let every one be good-tempered. Public opinion may be able to suggest a compromise fair to both sides and fair to the public, whose stake is greater than that of either side.
And if Mr. Fleming has little to say at the start he can think a lot and can think quick if he has to, and he is not unfriendly to his men or his public.

GEN. WRANGEL'S FORCES ROUTING BOLSHEVIKS

Troops Capture Four Thousand Prisoners and Forty Big Guns, and Lose Only Eight Hundred Men.

Constantinople, June 15.—The forces of General Wrangel, anti-Bolshevik leader on the Crimean front, are moving northward from the Crimea and Sea of Azov in three columns. They have been phenomenally successful against the Bolsheviki and have established a front along Kaskovka on the Dnieper, eastward thru Mariopol to Mariopol.
General Wrangel's troops have captured 4,000 prisoners and 40 big guns of the 100 estimated to be in possession of the Bolsheviki. They have lost only 800 men.
The anti-Bolshevik forces advanced simultaneously from Perekop, Gueznitz and Mariopol, clearing the Bolsheviki from both Crimean peninsulas and the shore of the Sea of Azov. General Wrangel's army is adequately provided with airplanes and armored cars.

How Whip Hicks Created a Bad Impression.

I don't like that man Hicks making charges that men with the stuff came tempting our U.F.O. fellows in the legislature.
Year?
It's done us a lot of harm. It wasn't the agents of the corporations that he meant. He meant some Yankee schemers who had a plan to get a lot of Canadian whiskey into the States to sell at ten dollars a bottle.
The same was to what the desire of Ontario farmers to make big money and to get them into a get-rich-quick game. The Yanks wanted to start U.F.O. clubs all along the Ontario side of the St. Lawrence, the Niagara and the Detroit rivers. To get U.F.O. men to stock up with Canadian whiskey by placing orders for barrels and cases of it in Montreal. The farmers were to bring it in and stock it in the cellars of their farm houses.
Agents of the Yanks were to come over and get to know the farmers and give them four prices for the goods. They were simply to leave a couple of cases near their door and they'd find an envelope with five dollars in it for each bottle.
The farmer was to go to sleep and a gasoline motorboat would come across the river at night, pick up the cases and rush them into New York State or into Michigan, where they'd bring ten a bottle. In Detroit a bottle is worth twenty-five.

MUST DRESS MODESTLY IF DIVORCE IS SOUGHT

Springfield, O., June 15.—Judge Frank W. Geiger of the common pleas court today issued a warning that women who apply for divorces in his court must be careful of their dress.
The judge told attorneys that, "I don't care if it is as hot as hell, these women have got to wear more clothes when they come into this court. This twang of peekaboo waists and see-through skirts has got to stop."
PLANTING CORN OVER AGAIN.
Some of our farmers are finding that part of the fodder crop planted early in this week to tear it out and to replant the ground. Those who got in the new lot early this week, or who get it in after yesterday's rain, may still get a great crop of corn stalks for cattle feed. But the seed costs them \$3 to \$4 a bushel a second time. Nevertheless the grain fields look promising; the all talk about a short hay crop. But it may be worth \$50 a ton or even better.

TO SPEND IN ARCTIC FOUR OR FIVE YEARS

Copenhagen, June 15.—Knud Rasmussen, the Danish explorer, and Peter Freuchen, his cartographer, are preparing an expedition to visit the northernmost American Eskimauks. Rasmussen declared today the expedition probably would be the longest one he has ever made. He plans to take provisions enough to last five years, but considers it more likely the trip will last seven. Fourteen men will comprise the party.

SEEK WORKERS ON STREET.

Brantford, Ont., June 15.—(Special.)—One of the big factories of the city has a man out on the street all the time and also engaged in meeting trains to recruit for the labor force of the factory. Shortage of labor is reported as acute just now in most of the Brantford factories.



CZECHO-SLOVAK TROOPS AT COCHRANE, ONT.
The picture shows a group who are taking the air on the station platform, while waiting for their train to resume its eastward journey. A detachment of 3,000 of the Czecho-Slovaks is now passing thru Canada, homeward bound, after battling in Siberia with the Bolsheviki.

EMPLOYEES GATHER IN STAR THEATRE AT MIDNIGHT—48-HOUR ULTIMATUM DEMANDING CIVIC RATES PROBABLE—MEN DETERMINED ON RAISE.

That a strike of street railwaymen will be called is practically a foregone conclusion as the paper goes to press. The meeting was not properly called until half-past one, but the executive had prepared resolutions and amendments, the resolution calling for an ultimatum of 48 hours, that is, giving the T.S.R. 48 hours in which to decide either to grant wages in effect on the civic car lines or to accept a strike; the amendment was to delay the strike a week in order to further consider the problem from its many complex angles.

Various Theories.

All manners of opinion were rife as to the exact attitude of the men respecting the decision to strike. Some authorities averred that they would give the government a week's grace; others again thought that the men would wait until next pay day, Tuesday, before going out, so as to be sure of getting their pay anyway before they went out. Others believed that a strike would be called on the spot, so angry and vindictive seemed the men.

Older Men Conservative.

The men will be willing to accept 66 cents an hour. Interviewed, held with the most conservative and best informed men in the union not officials have disclosed this fact.
The younger men are wrathy for a strike; the older are wrathy against the youthful demand for 85 cents, but are equally wrathy against the action of the board of conciliation in refusing to grant even a five-cent increase. The general opinion is that it is best that no increase was awarded, since there is now no loophole for the enemies of the men to wriggle thru their efforts to discredit the attitude of the men, and no one can say "Why, the men were offered a raise, but refused to accept it."

Mayor Appeals to Men.

Mayor Church, in an interview with the press yesterday afternoon, strongly expressed the hope that the men would carefully, seriously and unselfishly consider the interests of the public, which would be a paramount factor in this, as in all such industrial disputes.

The following comparative wage schedules are of interest as showing how far the men may or may not be justified in their demand.

Mr. Robbins pointed out that policemen received from \$1,450 to \$1,950 per annum, firemen \$1,450 to \$1,875, street railway men are Chicago, 75 to 80 cents an hour; Detroit, 70 to 75; Cleveland, 70 to 75; Newcastle, Pa., 60 to 65; Youngstown, 60 to 65; Sharon, 60 to 65; Duquesne, 65 to 70; Niles, O., 60 to 65; Buffalo, 60 and arbitrating up to 88 cents per hour; Pittsburg, 60 and arbitrating up to 91 cents an hour.

A statement re the cost of living compiled by Mr. Robbins shows the cost of living for a family of five for a year to be \$1,919.

A strong point made by Mr. Robbins was that the men in the motor shops and its branches only work five and a half days per week, and