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Patronage Abolished By Union Government

HIGHLY IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY

Ottawa, Oct. 24.—The government has abolished patronage lists in all departments. The announcement is contained in an official memorandum issued today, reading: "The work of the war purchasing commission has been so satisfactory and effective that the prime minister has under consideration the retention of its organization as a general purchasing commission for all departments of the government. During the last two and a half years, the commission has undertaken and carried out the purchase of all supplies for every department of the government in connection with the war. These supplies have been purchased chiefly for the department of militia and defence, the department of naval service and the department of justice in connection with the internment operations. "In pursuance of the government's intention to abolish patronage both in respect of appointments to the public service and in the purchase of supplies, there will hereafter be no patronage lists in any department of the government. There has been no such list in the war purchasing commission, which has purchased all supplies by tender after public advertisement or circular addressed to all known sources of supply in this country."

DR. MICHAEL CLARK CHOSEN

Nominated at Meeting in Red Deer Yesterday

MINISTERS IN REGINA

Speeches by Meighen, Calder and Crear—Advice of a Quebec M.P.—Manifesto To The War Veterans

Red Deer, Alta., Oct. 24.—Prominent Liberals and Conservatives in the Red Deer federal riding flocked to Red Deer yesterday afternoon to hear the name of Dr. Michael Clark put in nomination at a win-the-war convention by his former Conservative opponent, J. F. Day.

Regina, Sask., Oct. 24.—Regina held a distinct tribute to three federal ministers of the new union government who spoke here last night, bringing the message of the union government to the people of Saskatchewan. The immense auditorium of the Metropolitan Methodist church would not hold all the people who clamored for admission. The overflow crowd was accommodated in the First Baptist church.

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Chicago, Oct. 24.—Action by board of trade directors banning all new purchases of November and December deliveries of corn failed today at least temporarily to hold elevator stocks here from holding values, but the most noticeable immediate effect of the measures taken was to increase the urgency of demand from shorts who desired to liquidate contracts. Forecasts of unfavorable weather tended also to harden values. Opening quotations, which ranged from 7-8 cents off to a like advance, with December at 1.14-84 to 1.15-1-8, and May at 1.09-7-8 to 1.10-1-8, were followed by a short upturn all around.

Paris, Oct. 24.—Deputy Victor Augagneur announces that he will interpellate the government on Thursday as to the reasons which led Premier Poincaré to part with his foreign minister, M. Ribot.

London, Oct. 24.—Captain Roud Amundsen, noted Norwegian explorer, went to the German legation at Kristiania on Tuesday, says Reuters' correspondent there, and returned to the German minister his German decorations as a personal protest against the German murder of peaceful Norwegian sailors on Oct. 17 in the North Sea.

London, Oct. 24.—At a meeting of the Federated Council of Trades and Labor last evening, Montreal delegates, secretary, and Joseph Foster, president of the Council of Trades and Labor, Montreal. They spoke on the proposed labor party in Canada and were enthusiastically listened to. It is expected all the local unions will be represented at a provincial convention to be held in Montreal and the federated council yesterday appointed its two delegates, E. Dion and J. Jackson. All council yesterday are calling special meetings to choose each delegate to attend the special convention in Montreal in view of organizing a labor party in Canada.

SAVES THE SUCCESSFUL OPERATION OF MILITARY SERVICE ACT ASSURED

Ottawa, Oct. 24.—"The successful operation of the military service act is assured," said E. L. Newcombe, deputy minister of justice and chairman of the military service council, last night. "I am well pleased with the results of the first week's operations and it would appear that if the prescribed rate of progress be maintained the general response to Class by Nov. 10 will be quite satisfactory."

CAMPAIGN FOR USE OF FISH BY QUEBEC PEOPLE

Montreal, Oct. 24.—A campaign for the promotion of the use of fish by the people of the Province of Quebec was decided upon yesterday afternoon at a meeting under the auspices of the Union of Canadian Municipalities.

CUBAN PRESIDENT'S GRIP ON THE SUGAR SITUATION

Havana, Oct. 24.—President Menocal issued a proclamation last night warning all foreigners who instigate or encourage strikes in the sugar producing regions that they will be expelled immediately from Cuba.

KAISER IN BERLIN TO TAKE GRIP ON POLITICAL CRISIS

Copenhagen, Oct. 24.—Emperor William returned to Berlin last night prepared to begin dealing immediately with the political crisis, particularly as it affects the imperial chancellorship.

EFFECTIVE WORK IN SETTLEMENT OF STRIKES

Washington, Oct. 24.—About 3,000 strikes or labor controversies, involving 700,000 men, directly and 800,000 men indirectly, have been settled by federal mediators of the department of labor since war was declared. Only forty-five attempts to mediate were unsuccessful, and 100 cases are still pending.

THIS IS A SLAP IN THE FACE FOR THE KAISER

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Prominent Frenchman Killed

Paris, Oct. 24.—Dr. Albert Desre, a member of the Academy of Sciences and the Academy of Medicine, and a noted physiologist, was killed yesterday in an auto accident.

Promoting Organization of Labor Party In The Dominion

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Michaelis, Hard Pressed, Resigns

London, Oct. 24.—Dr. George Michaelis, German chancellor, has placed his portfolio in the hands of Emperor William, according to an Amsterdam despatch given out by the Wireless Press.

HANNA WARNS AGAINST CHARGING OF HIGHER PRICES FOR SUGAR

Extends By One Month Time For Selling Cereals in Small Packages

Ottawa, Oct. 24.—Hon. W. J. Hanna, food controller, issued a statement yesterday bearing upon the temporary shortage of sugar. He said that the new crop would be on the market soon after the end of the year. In the meantime the public were urged to economize in the use of sugar, and to avoid hoarding, and dealers were warned against packages of cereal products, flour, or other foods that are the product of wheat, oats, barley, rye, rice, peas, beans, buckwheat, corn or lentils.

HOLIDAY IN STATES AS BIG BOOST FOR THE LIBERTY LOAN

Washington, Oct. 24.—American business today gave way to the Liberty Loan campaign.

NEW SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT IS ON TRIAL

Premier Murray of Nova Scotia Endorses Union Effort

North Sydney, N. S., Oct. 23.—Hon. G. H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia, who has been here for the last few days, when asked by the Canadian Press for a statement on the occasion of Hon. A. K. MacLean entering the dominion cabinet, said:

CADET CORPS FOR MORE CITY SCHOOLS

Captain R. R. Black, organizer and inspector of Cadet Corps in the maritime provinces, visited St. Peter's and St. H. S. Bridges to endeavor to organize cadet corps in these schools. He reports that the boys took up very readily with the idea and expressed an opportunity to do with their own hands in the war. Captain Black distinctly said that he personally, was very much against any boys being taken in the army, and as to the school boys being drawn into it in any way it was an absurd idea. The idea of the forming of these corps was to train the boys both physically and mentally.

GOOD FOR THE GIRLS

A movement of much interest to girls is being started this year in the High School. This is physical training classes and an athletic association among High School girls. Miss Grace Kuhring has been active in getting the girls interested and yesterday afternoon a meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. G. A. Kuhring. Representatives from all the girls' rooms in the High School attended.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service

Synopsis—A shallow depression, which was in the Ohio Valley yesterday, has been absorbed by a rapidly developing storm near the Atlantic coast. A light rain has occurred in Southern Ontario. Elsewhere the weather has been fair. Storm signals are displayed at Atlantic and Gulf ports.

A SERIOUS MATTER

Charge of Conspiring to Help Man Fool the Military Doctors

Toronto, Oct. 24.—John Herbert Cornish was arrested here last night, charged with supplying a vial of tablets to a man liable to military service. According to the police the tablets were made to produce heart weakness and deceive the doctors. It is alleged \$25 was paid for one vial.

CANADIANS PLAN TO HONOR MARGARET WILSON

Montreal, Oct. 24.—Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president of the United States, will receive official recognition on the occasion of a visit to Montreal on Thursday to sing in aid of the Red Cross fund and she will receive a silver loving cup and a bouquet.

Have Counted 8,000 So Far

Many German Officers Including Staffs of Three German Regiments Among Prisoners of French—Enemy Beaten Again

Paris, Oct. 24.—The number of prisoners taken by the French in their attack northeast of Soissons has reached 8,000. The war office so announces. The Germans attempted no counter-attack on the Aisne battle front during the night.

WEDDINGS TODAY

Barber-MacAulay

In the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception this morning at six o'clock, Rev. Wm. M. Duke united in marriage Miss Mary Agnes MacAulay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel MacAulay, 80 Brussels street, and James J. Barber of this city, a returned soldier.

Fitzgerald-Morgan

A pretty wedding took place in St. Luke's church this morning at six o'clock when the pastor, Rev. P. M. Kim united in marriage Miss Ada Augusta May Morgan and Evan Hughes Fitzgerald. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a navy blue traveling suit with hat to correspond and carried a prayer book. She was attended by her sister, Miss Nellie Cranine, dressed in white with veil to match. Mr. Harrison was the groomsmen. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents. Many pretty and useful wedding presents were received. Mr. and Mrs. Babineau will reside in Station street, Fairville.

GLORIOUS WORK IN FRENCH DASH

With the French armies in France, Oct. 23.—(By the Associated Press)—The French troops this morning fought one of the most cleverly conceived and most brilliantly executed actions of the war. More than 1,000 prisoners belonging to the famous Fifth Prussian Guards were taken, and the French still continue their victorious progress.

INJURED BY AUTO

David Camick of St. Martins was quite painfully injured on Monday when he was accidentally run over by an automobile driven by Leonard J. Phillips, mail carrier on the St. Martins route. The two men had been engaged fixing the auto and Mr. Phillips, thinking that his companion had crawled from under the car, got in and started the engine. The auto passed over Mr. Camick and after finally braked him, but fortunately he did not sustain any serious injury.

GERMANS SHOOT OFFICER AND SURRENDER TO THE BRITISH

British Front in France and Belgium, Oct. 23.—(By the Associated Press)—In one of the re-bouts captured from the Germans on Monday northeast of Ypres, according to reliable information, British troops found a German officer who had been executed by his own soldiers. His hands had been bound behind him and he had been shot. The gas rison of the rebout surrendered readily to the advancing British.

FEAR TO PUNISH DESERTERS

There are many tales going the rounds among the British soldiers nowadays indicating much dissatisfaction among the various bodies of German troops. Very often soldiers charged with desertion and other violations of military law escape with slight punishment. According to prisoners this is something new for Prussian military.