

CIVIL SERVANTS PRESENT REQUEST

Ottawa, March 17—Representatives of 16,000 organized civil servants led by J. C. O'Connor, president of the civil service federation of Canada, placed their requests for salary revision instead of the bonus, a superannuation measure, and the establishment of Whitley councils in the service before the prime minister today.

CANADIAN UNION BILL ADOPTED

Quebec, March 17—The debate in the Smart motion calling for compulsory incorporation of labor unions in the province of Quebec, was brought to a close in the legislative assembly this afternoon when the house by a vote of 36 to 4 carried the following motion, proposed by Edward Robert, member for Rouville, in amendment to the Smart motion:

"That this house, recognizing that the Canadian workers are one of the sanest elements of our population, invites the labor organizations of this province to give themselves a constitution which will be essentially Canadian and to continue to co-operate in the industrial development of the provinces in an orderly manner and with respect to our laws."

ANTI-KU KLUX SOCIETY IS ORGANIZED IN OKLAHOMA

Healdton, Okla., March 18—An anti-Ku Klux Klan organization, known as the Knights of the Visible Empire, has been formed here.

John Hyde, one of the organizers, announced that the purpose of the society "is to protest against mob rule, as exemplified in the teachings of the Ku Klux Klan." Hyde is a local attorney.

"There is not one line in the constitution that cannot be approved by every liberty-loving, law-abiding citizen," Mr. Hyde said.

"We pledge allegiance to the law of the land, and ask only that the laws be enforced by those empowered to enforce them. We will work bareheaded in the sunshine, not masked at midnight."

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Newfoundland Loan

Toronto, March 17—A syndicate comprising Dominion Securities, Limited, Toronto; Dillon, Read & Co., of New York, and Lee, Higginson, of Boston, has acquired a \$6,000,000 bond issue of the Newfoundland government carrying 5 1/2 per cent for twenty years duration and payable in New York funds. The price paid was \$6,768 United States currency, the cost to the ancient colony being 5.59 per cent on New York basis. Figuring the Canadian dollar cost on a four per cent premium, the cost works out at about 5.28 per cent and the price received approximately 102 3/4.

WEYMOUTH TAR BABY WINNER

Huntingdon, W. Va., March 17—Sam Langford, of Boston, knocked out Cy-clone Smith, of Denver, in the second round of a scheduled ten-round bout here tonight. They are heavyweights. The prize winners in the lotteries held in connection with the recent rose tea of the St. John sub-division of the Catholic Women's League, as determined by the drawings held last evening in Rosary hall, were as follows: Robert Burke, a fruit cake; Mrs. Richard Sullivan, \$5; Mrs. W. P. McDonald, a ham; Miss A. McGuigan, a half barrel of flour.

SMALL MYSTERY PROBED AGAIN

Toronto, March 17—Arthur Weatherup, barber, and Mrs. Ambrose Small, wife of the missing theatrical magnate, were under examination by the detectives today concerning the sworn statement of Weatherup and the missing man's watch. Weatherup shaved Small the day he disappeared more than two years ago and declares that Small that day produced a certain watch which was subsequently found among the latter's effects at his residence. The question is, did Small go home before he disappeared or was his office the last place he is known to have visited. The latter is the theory generally accepted up to date. Mrs. Small says her husband had many watches and that the one seen by Weatherup was probably not the one found in the house.

SEVERAL SIGNS OF SPRING.

(St. Croix Courier.) Picking Mayflowers in the winter time seems like a fish story, but if the proof of the pudding is in the eating, so also is the proof of the Mayflowers in seeing them, as picked by Richard F. Kinnett on Sunday last, March 12, the earliest date that Mayflowers have been picked in these parts. While in a field in Queens ward last Sunday a young son of Osborne Mitchell captured a live grasshopper, the first of the season. The ice ran out of the river during Tuesday night and the days since then have been bright and fairly balmy, giving cause to believe that spring is here, no matter what the almanacs say about it.

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SLIGHT OBSERVANCE OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY IN ULSTER

Belfast, March 17—Ulster today had an entirely blank St. Patrick's Day so far as celebrations were concerned. Shamrocks wearing was the sole sign of recognition of the day, apart from it being a bank and school holidays, and the fact that services were held in all the Catholic and some of the Protestant churches. Political tension was regarded as entirely responsible for this failure to universally celebrate the traditional Irish holiday.

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SAYS LINK'S THREAT NOTHING BUT JOKE

Hamilton, Ont., March 17—M. J. O'Reilly, K.C., legal advisor for the Sisters of St. Joseph, today treated as a joke William Link's alleged threat to bring legal action to compel his daughter's return to him and to make her become a Protestant. "Absurd," he said.

"The girl is over eighteen years of age and therefore a free agent to choose where, how and with whom she shall live and what her career shall be. And there is no law to compel a person to change his or her religion. They have been trying to do that all down through the ages by laws and persecution and have failed. The case is closed as far as we are concerned." Use the Want Ad. Way

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One Year of Republican Rule. When a "rock-ribbed" Republican organ, reviewing the record of the first year since its party returned to power in all branches of the Government, avers that "this Congress is the worst we have had for twenty years," and asks despairingly "of what avail is a wise President and a strong Cabinet if it is their misfortune to be blocked in many directions by a recalcitrant Congress?" its criticism arrests attention. "Congress," the Boston Transcript continues, "is the liability of the Republican party today, President and his Cabinet its great asset." The Republican Manchester Union declares that "it is daily becoming more apparent that President Harding, much as he may dislike it, must take down from the wall the Big Stick which, since the Fourth of March, one year ago, has been accumulating dust, and begin to brandish it over the head of Congress, if so palpably headless a body may be said to have a head." Congress, with its overwhelming majorities in both Houses, this New Hampshire paper goes on to say, "gummed up the tax revision programme," "man-handled the whole tariff revision question," and made a "nauseating spectacle" of itself in its handling of the bonus problem. The general tendency of the American Press is to blame Congress rather than the President for any disappointment that the year has brought forth. The Democratic characterization of the present Congress as "a do-nothing Congress" was answered by Senator Lodge with the statement that, "I know I am speaking within bounds when I say that no Congress in time of peace has ever shown such an amount of important, effective, and remedial legislation as has been enacted by the present Congress since it has been in session." Continuing, he said, "More was done by the Conference for the world's peace in twelve weeks than has been done anywhere else in twice as many years." THE LITERARY DIGEST this week, March 18th, publishes as its leading article a summary of newspaper opinion throughout the country upon the record of the first year of Republican administration. The articles give all angles of thought upon the subject. Other striking news-features in this week's DIGEST are:

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