CAN NOW BORROW 75 MILLIONS

Sir Thos. White's Resolution Passed in Committee.

MR. CROTHERS MISREPRESENTED

Did Not Say What Newspaper Alleged He Had Said.

Ottawa, March 17.—The House of Commons in committee yesterday passed Sir Thomas White's resolution authorizing additional borrowings to the extent of $75,000,000, and then took up the proposed business taxation announced in the budget. Consideration of this will be continued to-day.

The Finance Minister's resolution was made the occasion of Opposition criticism of his fiscal policy generally, and of a spirited defence by Sir Thomas White.

The Minister stated that since the war the Government had economized by embarking upon no new public works of any kind. He refuted Opposition allegations as to the increase in the public debt by showing that the Laurier Government had added $79,000,000 to it in the last eight years of their administration, whereas until the war began the present Government had reduced the public indebtedness materially. The Minister of Finance also showed that recent increases in public expenditures had been only the normal growth of years observable during the Liberal regime as well as since.

Discussion of the budget resolutions hinged chiefly on the distinction made between incorporated and unincorporated companies in the taxation of profits. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and other members of the Opposition arguing that the differentiation was arbitrary and unfair. Sir Thomas White in reply, pointed out that not only was it more difficult to determine the precise cash value of the assets of incorporated companies, but that the investor in such companies enjoyed the advantage of limited liabilities, whereas in the case of an individual or a partnership, all assets were pledged. The risk being greater in the latter case that should be considered in dealing with profits.

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Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux called attention to a newspaper report that in the three hundred new kit bags supplied to the 206th Overseas Battalion had been found many toilet articles marked "Made in Germany."

In reply, Hon. A. E. Kemp said he was not aware that goods of German manufacture were supplied to the soldiers, and that he would make enquiries into the case.

"It would be far from the policy of the government," he continued, "to buy anything made in Germany at this time."

Hon. T. W. Crothers arose, on a question of privilege, to discuss an editorial article which appeared in the Toronto Globe yesterday, and which quoted him as having said that "he was not sure Great Britain and her allies would win the war," that "a Germany victory would mean a German Canada," that "he did not approve of everything done by the British House of Commons for the relief of disabled soldiers, and that "no one knows when the war will cease or how it will end."

"It is a gross misrepresentation of what I said," asserted Mr. Crothers, "although, perhaps, it is as near as the Globe generally gets when dealing with the remarks of political opponents."

The suggestion that he was lacking in sympathy with disabled soldiers was without foundation, and he had made no reference to the measure of relief adopted by the British House of Commons. He had declared that nothing was too good for the men who had risked their lives for the Empire. He had not said he was "not sure that Britain and her allies would win the war."

INCORRECTLY REPORTED

He had been speaking of the necessity for Canadians to concentrate their efforts on the prosecution of the war, and had pointed out that they were not merely rushing to the assistance of the Mother Country, but were fighting for the liberties they enjoyed. Mr. Pugsley had made the remark, "I am sure we are going to win the war, is all." Thereupon Mr. Crothers had replied, "I am not so sure." The word "so," however, had been remitted from the unrevised Hansard report.

The Minister of Labor said that in using the words he had, he had been conveying much the same meaning as had Sir Wilfrid Laurier when he had asserted that the Opposition would offer no criticism, "while there is danger at the front." The Leader of the Opposition had admitted that there was danger and it would be in order for the Globe to call for his deposition from the high and honorable position he occupied.

Sir Thomas White, replying to a question by Mr. E. Macdonald, of Pictou, told the House of the offer of the Canadian banks to arrange a credit of $75,000,000 for the Imperial Government to pay for war orders placed in Canada. Negotiations had lasted for several months and he had finally been able to announce that the banks had made the offer which was accepted by the Imperial government.

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
CASTORIA

TRIED TO GET A SNAP VERDICT

Liberals Found Themselves in Majority and Attempted to Have a Vote.

CABINET MINISTERS TALKED IT DOWN

Mr. Rowell Called Sharply by Conservatives for Sharp Practice.

Toronto, March 17.—An attempt by Mr. N. W. Rowell to take advantage of the fact that a large percentage of the Conservative members of the House were attending the Irish rebellion concert precipitated a bitter fight in the Legislature last night. The Opposition mustered about fourteen members for the night's session a number that equaled the Conservatives' line up. When the House reached the Government House items in the estimates the Opposition launched its customary attack and without having previously conveyed any intimation to the Government that a vote would be asked for, began to press for a division. The Government suggested privately to Mr. Rowell that a vote be deferred until to-day, when a fuller representation of the members could be secured. The Liberal leader refused, however, and the result was a farcical debate that lasted until the Government was able to bring reinforcements up to the building.

The action of the Liberal leader was vehemently denounced by the members of the Government. Hon. Mr. Hanna informed him that his predecessor in the Opposition leadership would rather have cut off his right hand than to have descended to such tactics.

The fight continued until 11.30 when the Government forces had been largely augmented. The trouble started about 10 o'clock.

The House had been plodding along with the estimates, and one by one members drifted away, and along about 10 o'clock when the Government House expenditure was up a member of the Opposition discovered that the Government could marshal only 13 votes, while the Liberals with the help of Allan Studholme could muster 14. At once the Opposition began to call "Question."

Hon. Mr. Ferguson rose to the occasion. He got to his feet, and amid a running fire of jibes and laughter began a rosy description of Government House. When his material ran out he began to give reasons for the time taken to complete the buildings.

"The great improvement in automobiles, making them much larger than they were, has made it necessary to chop away door steps, and that cost us $1.85 and delayed the work a great deal."

"What did they put in its place," asked Mr. Studholme.

"Oh, we sodded that with gravel and all the unsightly marks have been removed," replied the Minister amid laughter.

"How is the telephone coming on?" asked Sam Clarke.

"I hear the Grits are holding the phone," said the Minister, and again started out. Five minutes later Sam Clarke asked:

"What time will they get here?"

"So long as they are coming, I don't mind," smiled Mr. Ferguson, wiping his brow.

But there was no sign of reinforcements, despite the efforts of the Whip. Finally Mr. McGraw came to his aid and entered upon a historical discussion of Government Houses, amid constant laughter, he kept it up until the Government had enough votes on hand.

KEPT THEM AT WORK

The Opposition was ready then to call it off, but the Treasurer was not so willing.

"We are going to keep you here until morning if necessary in order to pump into your brains the facts of this business," he said. "You have been endeavoring to ring in a vote you knew would not represent the opinion of the House, when a lot of members were attending recruiting meetings. Now we will keep you here and endeavor to instil into your minds a little of the common ordinary sense that a legislator should have."

From a good natured contest it soon turned into a bitter fight. Tom Carter declaring that the Government could have brought the vote on before and this brought a statement from Hon. Mr. Lucas, that the Liberal Leader was guilty of "small tricky business." Hon. Mr. Hanna backed it up.

"I've been in this House many years and before a position of this kind would have been taken by the former leader of the Opposition, he would have cut off his right hand."

RESTRICTING THE COFFEE PURCHASE

Steps Taken in Germany Another Indication of Shortage.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Berlin, March 16.—via London, March 17.—Much interest has been aroused in Berlin through the announcement of the first instance of a limitation in the purchase of coffee, which has been put in force in a town in Brandenburg, where roasted coffee may be bought only in half pound lots and unroasted coffee may not be sold at retail. In Berlin coffee prices have been advancing for some time and it is believed that foreseeing housewives have laid in considerable stocks in anticipation of a possible limitation order. The visible supply has thus been notably reduced and many think that it would now be too late to rectify matters by administrative order.

SPRING IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD

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Electric "buzzers" for calling to their respective stations the persons whose services have been arranged for in case of enemy air raids are to be fixed at various places in Sheffield. The Lord Mayor has published a notice pointing out that the "call" will be for special constables, firemen, etc., and the public need not be alarmed.

VARIOUS THINGS INFLUENCING BOYS

Mr. Taylor-Statten Outlines Susceptibilities of Boys in Their Teens.

FATHER AND SON BANQUET

Enjoyable and Successful Affair Last Night at Y.M.

Fully 150 guests sat down to table at the 5th annual "Father and Son" banquet held last night at the Y.M.C.A. The menu provided was very tasty, and following the repast, musical items and class yells by the boys helped to pass an enjoyable evening.

There was a short toast list, replied to by several of the boys, who carried themselves well on their first attempt at public speaking. The address of the evening was delivered by Mr. Taylor Statten, National Y.M.C.A. Boys Work Secretary.

Mr. Taylor Statten congratulated Brantford on the gathering which was before him. Brantford had initiated the father and son movement, and its banquets, unlike other places he knew of, were successful and well attended. In some places, fathers did not seem anxious to accompany their boys.

The speaker illustrated the subject of his address by telling the story of the little boy of a rich man who ran away from home because he was whipped for reading dime novels. While the boy was away, the father concluded his son had gone because there really was no need for him at home. So when the repentant boy came home, the father and he decided to form a company, "Father & Son Co., Ltd." the "Limited" being the boy's friends in the neighborhood.

The Y.M.C.A. emphasized the importance of the period in boys' lives between the ages of 14 and 18. Statistics have been gathered which show that many momentous life decisions, such as conversion, are reached at that age. Hardened criminals, also, have made their dicision to be dishonest at about the same period of their lives. The four famous gunmen of New York, who were sent to death for the murder of Rosenthal, went bad during that period.

A boy naturally unfolds a spirit of altruism between the ages of 14 and 18, and unless he was developed in that feeling, would in later years lose it. The spirit of unselfishness in individuals—on which spirit depends the British Empire—got its start and inspiration during that period of age.

Various influences enter the boys' life at this time, the mother, the growing influence of the father, and other memebrs of the family. The mother's influence, however, is lessened.

Fathers often become so absorbed in business, society or other affairs that they draw away from the boy. Their interests often were not the same. Nevertheless, the father's influence over the boy is great until the boy arrives at the age of 14. Then came the danger point, and that was the thing the speaker wished to emphasize particularly. If father and son remained close comrades from 14 to 18, then the boy would rarely go wrong.

The speaker touched on two other influences, the gang and the hero worship. The first was merely the drawing power of the boys' friends and playmates. Hero worship was the desire of the boy to be a great, strong virile man. What then was the ideal for the boy? It was shown in the text describing Jesus during the same period of life. "He increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." In boy's work in Canada, a chart was drawn up with that as a standard, and boys were marked up in the four things, "wisdom," "stature," "favor with God," and "with man," which meant roughly intellect, physique, religion and selfishness or otherwise. Thus for each boy in the Y.M.C.A. by this chart system, was revealed his weak places. This plan, known as the Canadian Standard Efficiency Test, was used now generally throughout the country. Germany, judged by this test, fell down to zero on the last part of the chart, "in favor with man." "Let fathers and sons get together on their Canadian plan," concluded the speaker, "so that in the years to come Canadian manhood will stand for the very highest ideals."

A further feature of the evening was the presentation made by Mr. George Wedlake, to members of the Y.M.C.A. staff on active service, responses to which were made by Capt. E. W. Sweet, Lieut. Fred Grobb and Mr. Frank Wood. Lieut. Harry Fleming was also to speak, but had to leave early to catch a car. The presentation of honor awards to the boys was also made during the evening.

Captain Sweet presided over the function, and several khaki-clad members present showed how the war was affecting the institution. The following was the toast list:

"Our King," proposed by the Chairman. God Save the King.

"The Ladies," Vote of appreciation proposed by Mr. T. L. Wood, General Sec.

"Our Club," proposed by Burton Schultz, responded to by George Mosley, Boys' Physical Director.

"Our Fathers," proposed by Donald Coyne, responded to by H. V. Hutton.

"Our Sons," proposed by F. I. Grobb, responded to by Russell Sweet.

A remarkable story of a rat and a Treasury note is related from Ripon, Yorkshire. A saddletree maker missed a 10s. note from a bench in the workshop, and ten days later some workmen discovered a rats' nest in which little pieces of red printed paper were lying. These were fragments of the missing note, and when pasted on a post card they were readily accepted by a local bank.

NO CONSCRIPTION OF EMPLOYEES

Toronto Board of Education Turns Down Trustee's Motion.

Toronto, March 17.—Forced enlistment of male employes of the Board of Education by the board will not take place. Trustee Noble's motion that "all male employees, unmarried or widowers without encumbrances, of military age and fitness now in the employ of this board be notified that they will be relieved of further service in order that they may enlist for overseas service," was lost by an overwhelming majority at the meeting of the board last night. Trustees Noble and Hopkins, the mover and seconder, respectively, were the only supporters.

"I am too British to bring in such German methods as these," said Trustee Dr. Hunter when discussing Dr. Noble's motion. "We have no reason to suspect that not one member of this board is not as loyal as anyone." Continuing, he argued that the motion would take away from the schools too many male teachers. Every school should have at least one male teacher in it, he argued. "We have not arrived at a crisis when we have to deplete our schools," he said.

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