

## STRESSES VALUE IN DOMESTIC USE OF ALBERTA COAL

G. R. Pratt, A.M.E.I.C., De-livers Instructive Address in Collegiate Auditorium.

### ILLUSTRATES TALK

Points Out How Use of Dominion Fuel Would Aid Prosperity.

Declaring that obstacles preventing consumption of Alberta coal in Ontario were more or less imaginary, G. R. Pratt, A.M.E.I.C., fuel engineer from the west, last night showed in convincing manner how the coal fields of Alberta could become the solving factor in Ontario's fuel problems.

Speaking before a combined meeting of the Canadian Club and Chamber of Commerce at the collegiate auditorium, Mr. Pratt summarized features of his proposal and revealed how transportation of Alberta coal to this section of Canada would expedite national prosperity.

**It Couldn't Be Done.** Years ago when the project of shipping Alberta coal as far east as Winnipeg was broached, Mr. Pratt said, the inevitable remark was that it couldn't be done. Now Alberta coal was being used almost exclusively as far east as Port Arthur. Similar prejudice and difficulties would ensue, he had no doubt, before Alberta coal found its way to Ontario. But that it would eventually become the primary source of this province's domestic and industrial heat and power, he was confident.

Fourteen per cent of the world's coal output is produced in Alberta. At the present time that province was mining six million tons a year, and its capacity was far from being reached. It could, with little additional operating cost, produce three times that amount. Miners were at present working but four to six months during the year. If the Ontario market was available, however, they could labor the year around.

Alberta, Mr. Pratt said, mined 57 varieties of coal. Consequently, unfortunately, have been taught to believe that anthracite was the only desirable fuel for domestic purposes. This, Mr. Pratt took occasion to emphatically deny. Illustrating the properties of Alberta fuel, he showed that if properly stocked and fired it could be used as economically and as satisfactorily as imported hard coal from the United States.

The one essential before western fuel became generally consumed in this province, he added, was education of the people to the benefits that would accrue by its use. No appeals would be made to patriotism to sell Alberta coal. It would be distributed in competition with American imports and sold on a commercial basis only. But by showing the people its manifold advantages, he was confident it would become the favorite fuel as far east as Ottawa.

Conditions in the west were at present extremely pessimistic, said Mr. Pratt. Citizens were emigrating to the United States in thousands because sufficient work could not be obtained in Canada. When Ontario and eastern sections commenced using Alberta coal, however, these men will return to their native land. Industry would receive a tremendous impetus and national prosperity ensue.

**Instinctive Advantages.** The speaker referred to the instinctive advantages of Canada consuming a fuel produced within her confines. The money circulated would become an asset of inestimable importance. After Canada had purchased Alberta coal for a number of years the national debt would be more rapidly defrayed, agriculture would boom and the present somnolent industrial situa-

tion would give place to optimism and capacity business.

"It is said that transportation costs represent the one discouraging factor against shipping Alberta coals to Ontario," Mr. Pratt continued. But officials of the Alberta Government in common with all those who understand conditions, believe freight rates could be substantially reduced without jeopardizing the prosperity of Canadian rails. Overhead expense would not be increased to any material extent, and cars at present lying idle would be put to good use.

"When Alberta coal was first experimented with by Winnipeg householders, numerous dealers objected. The result was that several went out of business. The retail merchant must realize that Alberta coal will provide as great a profit as any American variety.

"It should be the ambition of every Canadian to see his people using Canadian coal exclusively. Ontario need not necessarily be confined in its coal purchases to Alberta. Nova Scotia and other territories should be allowed to ship their product if economically feasible."

**Illustrates Proper Use.** Following Mr. Pratt's address the audience were shown an interesting series of slides illustrating the proper use of Alberta coal and the most economical and satisfactory methods of installing and looking after the furnace.

He stressed the necessity of understanding how to get the best value for fuel used. The qualities of both hard and soft coal were described and proper procedure in building a fire explained. Technical details Mr. Pratt avoided as much as possible, with the result that a comprehensive idea of the most effective way of heating the home was transmitted to the audience.

## PREDICTS CATHOLICS WILL REGAIN POWER

Conference of Italian Clerical Party Discusses Possibilities.

Special Cable to The London Advertiser and The Philadelphia Public Ledger. Vienna, April 20.—The conference of the Italian clerical party at Turin is considered in Austria and Hungary as an omen of the return of the Roman Catholic church as a political power in Eastern Europe. The whole press has been giving much attention to Don Sturzo's threatening opposition to Fascism and his plan for the formation of a "white international" of Christians.

Sturzo shortly will visit Hungary where the Christian Nationalist program already is in force and also in Austria where, under the premiership of the Pretate Zeipel, the Socialist program has been replaced by that of the church party idea and where the "white international" might receive a warm reception as it might also in Bavaria.

"The rise of the Catholic movement in Italy being watched with the greatest interest in Rumania where the religious issue has been white-hot since the state expropriated the church lands, monasteries and schools, and expelled Bishop Gattfelder, and since the Papal Nuncio Morozzi announced that with the approval of the Holy See he would fight the government's endeavors to elevate the Greek Orthodox church to political circles with conservative inclinations throughout Eastern Europe are discussing the "white international" as an anti-Socialist and anti-peace treaty weapon.

## RECOVER \$2,000,000 LOOT IN HOME NEAR ST. LOUIS

Associated Press Despatch. St. Louis, Mo., April 20.—Two million dollars worth of bonds and securities, included in the loot taken in a holdup of an armored mail truck here April 2, were recovered late today in a home in St. Louis county, several miles west of the city limits.

## Husband Gone, Young Wife Weeps; Thinks He's Left Perhaps "For Keeps"

Detroit, April 20.—"Do you think he will come back?"

Mrs. Jamie L. Moorman, 20, tears dimming her eyes and her bobbed hair neglected, asked this question yesterday. After three years of married life she explained she had her first quarrel with her husband, Hugh B. Moorman, 29, who left her and said he would not return to live with her.

She came from Gainsboro, Tenn., and came to Detroit to live, attracted by the high wages being paid to laboring men here, she said.

"I want him to come back," she sobbed as her wan, worried features reflected her innermost suffering. "It was our first 'spat' and I hope that he will not leave me just because of that. Do you think he will come back?"

She made this interrogation between sobs and brushed away the bobbed hair from her eyes.

Mrs. Moorman explained her husband came here in January and since then has been employed by the Morgan & Wright Rubber company. She came here in February and has been working at the same place. She has been living with her husband at 2314 East Fort street.

## REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE IN WELCOME TO PRINCE

British Labor Extremists Resent Recent Action of Parliamentary Colleagues.

Special Cable to The London Advertiser and The Philadelphia Public Ledger.

London, April 20.—Extremists of the Labor party who do not want their associates to mingle officially or socially with the royalty had their first satisfaction yesterday when it was announced that Labor members of the Leeds council had decided not to participate in the welcome to the Prince of Wales when he visits the Yorkshire capital, June 1, or to have anything to do with the functions arranged in his honor. That action is the aftermath of criticism made by a certain section of the Laborites when the King and Queen and several Labor leaders dined together at Lady Astor's home a month ago.

The Prince of Wales who is as much sought after for public speaking as Bonar Law just now, shares the premier's inability to speak because of severe hoarseness. His speech was printed and distributed to the guests at a dinner he attended last night.

He has refused to accept further engagements until autumn, as his secretaries declare his engagement book is full for the entire summer.

## GERMANS MAKING CHARGE FOR PURE DRINKING WATER

Special Cable to The London Advertiser and The Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Berlin, April 20.—Some Americans joke-smiths to the contrary—visit Europe to drink water, as has been proved by the action of a leading Berlin hotel instituting a charge this week for straight drinking water. The price of a glass of water, served with a meal, was doubled Wednesday, presumably owing to the increased cost of production since the mark's break. Dry guests threaten to introduce American methods and carry a supply of aqua pura on the hip.

## ST. MARY'S DRAMATIC CLUB PRESENTS CLEVER PLAY

Special to The Advertiser. St. Marys, April 20.—On Monday and Tuesday evenings of this week one of the best comedies that has been presented locally this season was given by St. James Dramatic Club of the Anglican Church. The play, "What Happened to Jones?" was full of mirth during the entire three acts.

St. Marys, April 20.—The part of Jones, was ably assisted by Messrs. W. J. Mills, H. W. Maxwell, T. Price, A. J. Wilson and M. Irvine, and Mrs. A. J. Moode, Helen Mills, Thelma Lancaster, J. Sharp, Ida King and Mrs. L. Spearn.

## Cecil Snow Interred With Military Honors

Blenheim People Pay Last Tribute To Passchendaele Hero.

Special to The Advertiser.

Blenheim, April 20.—The funeral of Cecil Snow took place yesterday from the residence of his parents to the Presbyterian Church and interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery.

Deceased was one of Blenheim's young men, who served overseas and was in the battle of Passchendaele, where he was gassed, and from the effects of which he never fully recovered.

After a long illness he passed away Tuesday at Byron Sanatorium.

The G. W. V. A. had charge and Capt. (Rev.) Marshall of Chatham First Presbyterian Church, of which deceased was a member, gave the address. He spoke highly of Mr. Snow as he knew him, both in service overseas and since his return.

The large church was filled with people from far and near and the floral tributes were many and beautiful. Besides those from relatives and friends there were wreaths from the nurses and doctors of Byron Sanatorium, the G.W.V.A. of Chatham, Hayes Wheel Works, Chatham, I. O. O. F. and the Women's Institute of South Harwich.

The officers in charge of the veterans who turned out in large numbers were: Lieut. W. A. Addinall, Lieut. Charles Echlin, Lieut. Charles Mooney, Sergt.-Major Peter Ryan and Major Forbisher of Chatham. At the grave the firing squad fired the last salute. The pallbearers were: Roy Gray, Harry Pegg, Wilfred Stewart, Harry Laird, Thomas Nichols and Joseph Graham. Rev. W. W. Wiley conducted the service at the grave.

## FIRE DESTROYS RESIDENCE OF F. ALBRIGHT, DEREHAM

Special to The Advertiser. Ingersoll, April 20.—A two-story frame house on the farm of Fred Albright, fifth concession of Dereham township, was completely destroyed by fire about three o'clock this afternoon. Through the efforts of neighbors, who rallied to render assistance, all the contents were saved. The origin of the fire is unknown. This is the second fire on the same road in less than a week.

## L. E. HURLBUT OF PRESTON DIES SUDDENLY IN BED

Special to The Advertiser. Galt, April 20.—L. E. Hurlbut, Moore street, Preston, Waterloo County, salesman for the Hurlbut Shoe Company, of Preston, was found dead in bed early this morning. He is an uncle of Clayton E. Hurlbut, president of the Hurlbut Company.

## MINISTER URGES THAT ADOLESCENT ACT BE AMENDED

Hon. R. H. Grant Would Make Exceptions in Rural Pupils.

## PROBE GRAIN TRADE

Legislature May Pass Similar Measures To Federal Laws.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, April 20.—Three government measures were introduced in the legislature yesterday afternoon before the debate on the redistribution bill was resumed. Hon. R. H. Grant, minister of education, brought in a bill amending the adolescent school attendance act giving some exemption among rural schools. It provides that the act shall not apply to a rural adolescent whose services are required on the home farm, providing that adolescent is in school three months a year.

Another bill concerns investigation of the grain trade. It is concurrent legislation with that being passed by the federal parliament for a grain inquiry. Hon. Walter Rollo introduced a bill amending the workmen's compensation act. It provides for increasing the compensation for children whose parents are dead, from \$10 and \$15, to \$20. It also increases the compensation of a widow from 66 2-3 per cent of her deceased husband's wages to 100 per cent.

## Resolutions Pass.

H. H. Dewar brought up the matter of long standing notices of motion for the return of certain papers. Hon. Walter Rollo said that in his department some of these papers had been available for weeks, and he was simply waiting for the house to pass the resolutions calling for them. The premier said he was willing to pass all these resolutions if the members would not debate them. Mr. Dewar asked several members if they wanted to discuss their resolutions and received replies that they did not and were only seeking information. As a result, Mr. Dewar's efforts four or five resolutions calling for papers and information were passed without discussion.

A. W. Gray, Conservative, Leeds, before the orders of the day, said he desired to correct a report of a recent speech of his in Toronto. He denied what he had referred to as the farmer members as "rumbustulls and dummies."

**Ferguson Slams Widdifield.** Premier Drury and Hon. Mr. Ferguson had their daily encounter as to the responsibility for holding up business. Mr. Ferguson declared there was no disposition on the part of the prime minister to arrange matters for speeding up business. Because of a remark by J. W. Widdifield that was not audible in the galleries, that member received the attention of the Conservative leader for a few caustic remarks. "There is a member here from North Ontario by accident," said Mr. Ferguson, referring to Mr. Widdifield, "who has more intelligence from his ears down than from his ears up? He is always interjecting some insolence into the debate and I think it about time he stopped."

## FREE STATE FORCES KILL CAVE DEFENDERS

Two Men, Fighting Since Monday, Fall From Lofty Cliff.

Associated Press Despatch. London, April 20.—The spectacular siege of the little band of Irish Republicans, which has been holding out against the Free State forces in a cave 100 feet from the top of Clashmeacoon cliff on the wild shore of the Shannon in County Kerry, has come to a sensational ending.

Two of the men who had been fighting under a continuous machine gun fire since Monday night fell from the cliff into the Shannon while trying to escape in the darkness Wednesday night and were drowned. Commander Lyons of the hillside fortress dropped 100 feet to the beach while being hauled up the cliff, but rose, and was killed while trying to escape, and the four others of the little party, including Walter Stephens of London, were captured, according to a despatch to the Central News from Tralee.

The men in the cave, evidently believing their position insecure, were endeavoring to sally forth and reach the protection of an adjoining cave when the casualties occurred. The body of Commander Lyons was washed out to sea by the rising tide.

## ROLLO WOULD AMEND WORKMEN'S MEASURE

Minister of Labor Introduces Bill Calling For Important Changes in Compensation Act.

Special to The Advertiser. Toronto, April 20.—In the legislature yesterday afternoon, Hon. Walter Rollo, minister of labor, introduced several important amendments to the workmen's compensation act. Under the measure the maximum monthly payment which may be made to dependents will be increased from 66 2-3 to 100 per cent. The allowances to children will be increased from \$10 to \$15 per month, to be increased on the death of the remaining parent to \$20. Another section raises the allowances from \$15 to \$20 per month where the dependents are children only. It is also provided that the waiting period for compensation be reduced from seven days to three days. H. H. Dewar described the bill as pre-election legislation.

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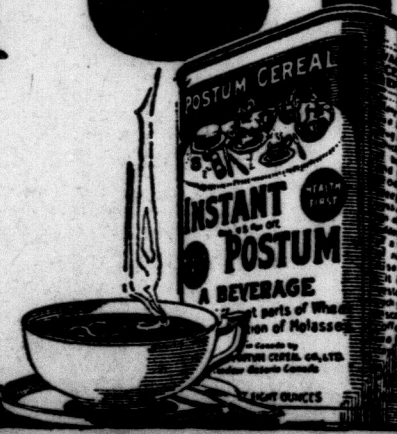
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