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### THE STRIKE SITUATION.

The Dominion executive of the Great War Veterans' Association has declared its opposition to the "one big union." The hope of the Reds had been that the returned soldiers would join in their attempt to bring about a revolution and introduce Soviet rule in Canada. They met their first disappointment in Winnipeg, for though several hundreds of veterans are in sympathy with the strikers many thousands are on the side of law and order and against the one big union. There is a report that the more active of the Winnipeg revolutionaries may be arrested and deported. The general situation in Winnipeg appears to have improved, and like news comes from Saskatoon and Vancouver. In Toronto threats of the use of the street railway system are causing anxiety. In Montreal striking textile workers have been given a forty-four-hour week and increased pay and have returned to work. In regard to the Amherst strike an interesting statement was made by D. W. Robb of the engineering plant. He told the Industrial Relations Commission yesterday that he showed his men his accounts and showed them exactly how much the company was making, and the urgency of the contracts in hand; and as a result the men remained at work. The general feeling throughout the country is manifestly against the one big union and against collective bargaining as it is interpreted by the strikers in Winnipeg. On the other hand, as a result of the general agitation and unrest there is a more general demand that something practical be done to reduce the cost of living.

### A GREAT CANADIAN.

Congratulations to Hon. George H. Murray, who has been premier of Nova Scotia for twenty-three years, a most remarkable record of political success and of public confidence in a public man. Premier Murray was fifty-eight years old on Saturday last, and the Halifax Chronicle took occasion to review his career, which it summarized as follows: Born at Grand Narrows June 7, 1861; called to the bar of Nova Scotia, 1889; appointed to the legislative council, 1889; member of the Fielding government without portfolio, 1891; created a queen's council, 1890; premier of Nova Scotia, 1896; elected for Victoria county, 1896; victorious in general elections, 1897, 1901, 1906, 1911, 1916; prime minister of Nova Scotia, twenty-three years. Eight years ago, at a banquet in Halifax at which Premier Murray was the guest, this tribute from Sir Wilfrid Laurier was read:—

"The man who now is in charge of the destinies of Nova Scotia does not belong to that province alone. He is a national figure and the pride all over the country of the Liberal party, who one and all recognize in him a pattern of quiet and patient courage, of wise and broad tolerance and far-seeing statesmanship."

To this tribute by the great Liberal chieftain in 1911 may properly be added that of the Halifax Chronicle eight years later, remembering that Mr. Murray is still the premier of Nova Scotia. The Chronicle of Saturday says:—

"Mr. Murray's public life and political record are written large in the statute books of this province. It is written within the memory of his political foes. Never a breath of scandal has touched his good name, and he is today the outstanding and unrivalled political leader of the maritime provinces. Considering the reasons for his success, it is found that above all things he is a man—many a man, undeterred by defeat and unspurred by success; a modest man, content to let his deeds speak for themselves; a sincere man, testing all his actions and serving his people to the best of his really great ability; an unselfish man, asking nothing for himself save an opportunity for useful public service; a sympathetic man, with a heart big enough to embrace all humanity. Taken all in all, a really great Nova Scotian who will rank high when his record of accomplishment and that of his predecessors come to be written."

Rev. J. A. MacGlashen, who wrote the review of Mr. Murray's career for the Chronicle, notes the fact that while in every other province there have been grave public scandals there has not been one in Nova Scotia during the twenty-three years of Mr. Murray's tenure of the premiership. It is worthy of note that Mr. Murray twice declined knighthood. Of the progressive measures adopted by the legislature of Nova Scotia in his time are those providing for an agricultural college and for technical education, prohibition, woman suffrage, workmen's compensation, and others of a far-reaching importation. A Liberal of the Liberal type, Premier Murray has himself given this definition of Liberalism:—

"True Liberalism wherever you find it, whether in the city or in the province, in the government of this Dominion or in the administration of the affairs of the Empire, should always rest upon one foundation, that of caring for the interests of the democracy, of safeguarding the rights of the masses as against the classes, and preventing the encroachment of selfish greed and special privilege. The principle of equal rights for all should be recognized at every stage."

### THE DEFECTIVES.

A recent article on the defective immigrant presents some facts of such serious import that the attention of the government should be directed to them with a demand for a more careful scrutiny of all new-comers to this country. We quote: "Dr. C. K. Clarke, medical director, Canadian National Committee for Mental Hygiene, pointed out in the Toronto Globe of Jan. 27, 1918, that out of nineteen girls introduced into Canada by one society eighteen were mothers of illegitimate children—that was the case in one community. Out of four hundred admissions to jail in one western province only 23 per cent were of Canadian birth. The Austrians contributed 33 per cent, although their normal proportion should have been but eight per cent. Of 228 cases of unmarried mothers which have passed through one Ontario hospital 191 were feeble-minded, four were insane, 45 were border-line cases, and only 26 were normal. In Manitoba and Ontario the proportion of unmarried mothers was but slightly over 20 per cent Canadian." The same authority says of immigrants from England: "It is no criticism of the British people to say that a large proportion of the immigrants, even from the old country, are not good stock from which to build up a new citizenship. The truth is that a large percentage of those who are brought into Canada from England are failures at home, and are often so because of congenital defects. Their progeny may rise above their own level, but they never cease to suffer from their misfortune of birth."

In justice to the immigrant, however, it must be confessed that there is quite too much ignorance, feeble-mindedness and shiftness among those whose parents even were not immigrants but native born. Those who are interested in child welfare and come into contact with home conditions in a great number of families do not need to be told that we have a product of the feeble-minded, morally weak and the generally shiftless among our own people which calls for remedial action of a drastic nature.

The budget debate develops three different groups, the protectionists, the moderate tariff men and the radical western group. Indeed there are radicals in the east. The United Farmers of Ontario, their secretary says, are as much dissatisfied as the westerners with the tariff as proposed. The debate will be followed with unusual interest. It is clear that quite a number of western members will support the budget on the ground that too great concessions cannot be expected at the present time.

Many children in St. John are better fitted to pursue their studies at school because medical inspection has been introduced, but the city must go farther and provide the eye-testing and dental work recommended by Dr. Mabel Hanington, and her suggestion of a special class for pupils with defective speech should not be overlooked. Indeed there is also need for special classes for pupils who show mental defects.

The labor department at Ottawa is flatly contradicted by Toronto and Hamilton manufacturers and wholesalers in regard to the price of cotton and woolen goods. Here's a chance for the cost of living commission to decide who is right.

A number of Canadians in England joined a detachment of troops which left yesterday for Murmansk, in North Russia. They are not yet weary of the life of danger and adventure.

Sir Edward Carson's candidature has been defeated in the East Antrim election by an Independent Unionist.

The man who failed to cause a revolution in Seattle is falling also in Winnipeg.

**SOLDIERS BACK FROM FRONT HAVE MISSING EARS RE-MADE.**

A practical demonstration of the effectiveness and benefits to be derived from modern surgery was furnished when military trainees passed through Montreal with returned soldiers from the hospital transport Araguay. One hundred and seventy soldiers were for months in hospitals of Great Britain having their faces reconstructed where they had been mutilated by shrapnel and shell.

The majority of the men were surgical cases, some of whom had been hit in the head or face, and who had been for months in hospitals of Great Britain having their faces reconstructed where they had been mutilated by shrapnel and shell.

Nine years ago Frederick L. Finkle of Washington consented to the adoption of his infant daughter, Jeanette M., by Rick McDearman, and the change of her name to Jeanette M. McDearman. The child is now twelve years old, and her foster mother is dead, so that her foster father has consented to her adoption by her own father, and a court order has given her her original name, Jeanette M. Finkle.

### LIGHTER VEIN

Mostly Holes.

"Aren't you afraid the moths will get into this summer stuff?"

"They'll find poor pickings if they do. Nothing in that lot but a couple of hammocks, some openwork stockings and four or five peckaboo waists."—Kansas City Journal.

At Psychological Moment.

"Father," said the small boy, "what is psychology?"

"Psychology, my son, is a word of four syllables that you ring in to distract attention when the explaining gets difficult."—Washington Star.

Playing Safe.

Daughter—"But, ma, I don't like him."

Mother—"He's an only son and his father is very rich."

"Well, as to that, his father is a widower and may marry again."

"True! I didn't think of that. Perhaps you'd better marry the father."—Kansas City Journal.

Not Jealous.

"Won't you marry me?"

"But I am wedded to my art," said the grand opera singer.

"I won't be jealous. You can keep on working after we are married."—Pittsburgh Sun.

Saved Much Trouble.

"Who is your favorite composer?"

"Wagner," replied Mr. Cameron.

"You must be a student of music."

"No, I mention Wagner for the sake of relieving myself of conversational strain. If the other man doesn't like Wagner, he won't want to hear me say another word."

"And if he does?"

"He'll want to do all the talking himself."

Playing Safe.

Little Annie had been having trouble with her lessons and had turned for assistance to her big brother. He did the sums for her, handed her the paper and resumed his reading. She was soon back at his side, however, and he inquired:

"What's the matter; aren't they all right?"

"O, yes, indeed. They are ever so nice; but won't you please put a few mistakes into my book so that I can show them to my teacher?"—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Sufficient Reason.

Admiral Sims was speaking about the high qualities boasted by the American Jackie, and added: "He developed a positive genius for inventing reasons for securing leave. I call to mind able seaman Murphy."

"What on earth do you want shore leave for this time?" demanded his captain as he sent his great aunt's funeral is it?"

"Faith, no, sir," replied Murphy with a grin, "his not so bad as that. It's—well, I might as well tell you, sir."

"Out with it," roared the captain, now fortified by whatever new one Murphy might bring up. "Try and stand the shock."

"Well, sir, it's this: I've got to have a brother born blind. Heaven be praised, sir, but the other day his sight was restored, and he's a good deal better than he was, sir."

"Leave granted," snapped the captain as he burst into a fit of laughter.

—Los Angeles Times.

Fruits of Romance.

"What do you consider the best fruits of romance?"

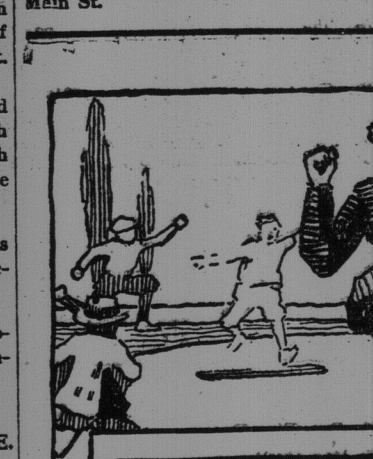
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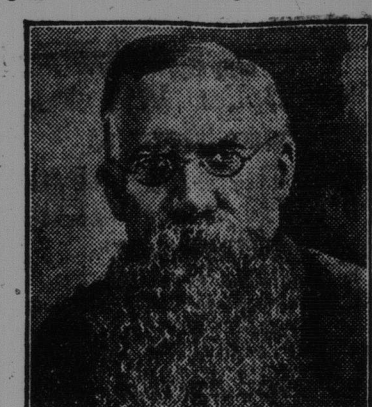
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### HOLD UP MEN GET \$15,000

Take Diamonds and Jewelry in Robbery Below Dead Line in New York

New York, June 10.—Money, diamonds and jewelry to the value of about \$15,000 were taken from Cuban and Syrian dealers in the coffee house of Joseph Numa, 95 Washington street, when six gunmen successfully made their getaway after one of the boldest daylight hold-ups recorded in recent months. Thomas Donohue, said to be one of the robbers, who gave his address as 289 Willis avenue, was caught by the crowd and had to call for the protection of the police as some of the rough treatment the robbers resorted to was being given to him.

The street was crowded with late afternoon shoppers when the six young hold-up men entered the basement cafe. They ordered Natum and his customers to the rear at the point of revolvers. They forced them to deliver their money and jewelry and when any of the thirty men who were robbed did not have enough valuables to satisfy the thieves they received a blow on the head from a black-jack. When they collected all the valuables they rubbed the street pursued by the men who had been robbed.

The thieves dodged into hallways and buildings. Patrolman Kinne followed one man from the scene of the hold-up to 69 Washington street. The robber climbed the stairs to the roof of the building and he jumped as about to collar him he just across a six-foot air shaft to the roof of the adjoining building. On the other side, he told the policeman what he thought of the New York police department.

The robbers were evidently familiar with the Washington street lace district and had Naum's customers spotted. When the robbers backed the men to the rear one of them stood on a chair and picked up the men the valuables.

"Get that man; he's got the diamonds," said one of the bandits, pointing to Antonio Stronzo, a Cuban diamond merchant of 105 East Fifth street. They relieved him of \$5,000.

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## WILL CARSON RESIGN?

His Candidate is Defeated in Election in East Antrim, Ireland

London, June 10.—In the parliamentary election held yesterday for the vacant seat in East Antrim, Ireland, a defeat for the regular Unionist faction, headed by Sir Edward Carson, resulted. The victor was Mr. Hanna, Independent Unionist, who polled 3,714 votes, as against 7,349 for Mr. Moore, Unionist, and 1,778 for Mr. Legg, Liberal. The workingmen largely supported Mr. Hanna.

Friends of Sir Edward Carson had announced that he would resign the leadership of the Unionist party unless Mr. Moore was elected.

In the last parliamentary election for East Antrim, Sir-General C. A. McAlmont, Unionist, polled 15,206 votes as compared with 8,881 votes for D. Dunigan, Sinn Fein candidate. General McAlmont and Mr. Dunigan were the only candidates.

## SEAMEN'S LEG CUT OFF BY FALLING HATCH.

Abdul Akin, a native of Calcutta, who was working on the steamer Pangin at West St. John, was severely injured about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon when a steel hatch cover fell severing his right leg above the knee. The ferry boat was held for a few minutes in order that the unfortunate man might be hurried to the hospital.

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