

TRADE MATTERS GONE INTO IN THE COMMONS

Discussion When Commerce
Estimates Are Brought on

Trade Conference in Ottawa
on May 31 Between Canada
and West Indies — New
Quebec Pilotage Arrange-
ments.

(Canadian Press.)
Ottawa, May 1.—Yesterday the House of Commons a resolution to extend the time for importation, manufacture and sale of oleomargarine was adopted and a bill based thereon given first reading.
Estimates of the department of trade and commerce were taken up and many items passed.
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When the department of commerce estimates were under discussion J. H. Sinclair of Antigonish and Guysboro wanted to know why it was necessary to go far afield for trade when there was an immense market to the south of us. Sir George E. Foster replied it was not felt necessary to undertake the expense of sending trade commissioners to a neighbor just across the border. He praised the work of the trade mission at Washington during the war and said this was still functioning. By means of the work of trade commissioners and also by the wide publicity given to trade and commerce department motion picture films, Canadian was getting wide publicity at very low cost.
An item of \$130,000 for the extension of Canadian trade and another of \$200,000 to cover the ordinary expenses of the commissioners and their expenses passed the committee as well as several routine items within the last hour.
Wm. Duff of Lunenburg did not want any reduction in the vote for extending Canada's trade in foreign lands.
Sir George E. Foster agreed that this was the wrong time to be too economical on trade expansion and intimated that there was another vote further on in the estimates which would cover Mr. Duff's point. It was the government's intention, he intimated, to be fairly generous in the matter, for they realized the importance of getting into new fields and re-establishing Canadian trade in countries from which they had been barred because of the war.
Sir George Foster announced that the

trade conference between Canada and the British West Indies has been arranged to open in Ottawa on May 31. The subjects under discussion will be:
A—Communication.—transport and cable.
B—Trade relations.
The object of the conference would be to enlarge the volume of trade between Canada and the West Indies by an extension of the existing preference. He said that the preferential tariff agreement reached at the conference of 1912 would expire in 1922. At the coming conference all the British West Indies would be represented including Jamaica, Demarara, the Bahamas, British Honduras and Trinidad.
The administration of the Canada Grain act is estimated to cost \$1,000,000 as against \$1,500,000 last year.
Indications that the public accounts committee will sit this session was given in a motion by Sir George Foster and adopted by the house. It was for reference of the auditor general's report to the committee.
Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, minister of marine, introduced a bill to authorize alteration of the pilot rates for and below Quebec. An arrangement, he said, had been reached by the pilots, the shipping interests and the department of marine for new rates in the coming season. The bill was read a first time.
Third reading was given to the bill to amend the Soldiers' Settlement act, 1919. An act to amend the Animal Contagious Diseases act, the latter coming from the committee stage, and given third reading in few minutes.
Giving an outline of the business for next week, Sir George Foster said that it was the hope of the government that the Criminal and Drugs act would be disposed of, that third reading would be given to the Animal Contagious Diseases act, second reading to the Industrial Disputes act, the latter coming from the senate and being in charge of Hon. Arthur Meighen. In addition there were the Inspection and Sales act, and the Petroleum act. "This," concluded Sir George, "with the small items remaining to be discussed in the Franchise bill, will complete the list."
No mention was made of the budget, railway matters or the Oleomargarine bill.
Votes of \$269,265 for the weights and measures department, and \$128,900 for gas and electricity were passed. They being about the same as last year.
Before the house adjourned at 11:25 Sir George Foster assured Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King that details of money expended on demobilization would be given when that item was discussed in the estimates. The sum given as required is \$38,463,400.

FORGED STAMPS GIVE
BUSINESS A SHOCK.
Vienna, May 1.—Discovery of large quantities of forged foreign stamps has virtually paralyzed retail business in this city, merchants refusing to take certain money unless guaranteed against loss. Bankers are trying to find some solution of the problem.

WILDE IS OUT FOR BANTAM TITLE, TOO He Will Retire From Ring at End of This Year

(Boston Globe.)
Jimmy Wilde, the wonderful, English flyweight champion, is anxious to retire as holder of the bantamweight title as well. Wilde plans to quit the game at the end of this year and wants to wind up his career in the ring with a battle with Bantam Champion Herman.
Promoter Cochran of England is already trying to make that match and figures that the inducements he has offered Herman will get the champion to make the trip across the ocean and meet Wilde in a 20-round bout in London.
Wilde would also like to get a chance at Jack Sharkey in London, but if he gets the Herman match he will pass up Sharkey, as there would be more money in it for him to meet Herman over there. Wilde knows that he will get \$80,000 fighting Herman and that is more than he can get meeting Sharkey.
Wilde says he likes to meet American boxers for they are always out to try and win, instead of stalling. He has postponed sailing for home until May 24, he is making such big money here. The fans in this section will have a chance to see Wilde in action next Saturday afternoon at John Cuddy's arena in Lawrence, and as Bobby Dyson will be his opponent, Wilde will be extended to the limit.
It is to be a no-decision bout, but the fans do not seem to worry over that, as all they care about is to see how Wilde shapes up. Mike Ertle of Jersey City will be the referee. The local fans can secure their seats at the Fenway office here. More of the rival boxers in Lawrence will be seen in the preliminaries.

CONFERENCE ON COST OF PENSION PLAN

(Canadian Press.)
Ottawa, May 1.—Captain N. P. Parkinson and E. H. Scumell, deputy minister and assistant deputy minister, respectively, of the department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, were called yesterday afternoon by the special committee on pensions and re-establishment to give statistics needed in their work of drafting a report on the pension regulations. The cost of various plans which have been suggested to the committee will be gone into with D. S. C. R. officials, it is expected.
The executive sessions of the committee are expected to continue for several days before the pensions matter is finally disposed of. The re-establishment end of the enquiry will then be opened and witnesses will be called.

MORE THIS YEAR IN ARRAERS FOR TAXES

Montreal, May 1.—The sheriff's list of properties which taxes for the last two years are due shows the number of such properties to be 22,300 against 11,848 on May 1, 1919. All are scheduled to be sold at auction unless the taxes are paid by October 15 next.

WAR OFFICE AFIRE AND DOORS LOCKED

Valuable Archives in Constantinople Destroyed

Evidences That Turkish Officers Are Blocking Move
Against Nationalists' Leader—Complaint of Persecution by Armenians.

(Associated Press.)
Constantinople, May 1.—Valuable archives and a large sum of paper money were destroyed in a mysterious fire that broke out yesterday in the war office. Fire fighters found that ingress to the burning part of the building was barred by locked doors and considerable time was lost in subduing the flames.
On all sides is found evidence that Turkish officers are not disposed to move against Mustafa Kemal, leader of Turkish nationalists in Asia Minor. The machinery of two Turkish gunboats anchored in the Golden Horn has been found to be disabled, while several ships carrying recruits to the Asiatic shore of the Sea of Marmora, where the Sultan's troops are being assembled, have gone aground.
Kiazim Kara Bekir, commanding the 15th Turkish army at Erzerum, wrote a letter on March 30 to the Armenian commander of that district protesting against persecution of the Turks by Armenians in the Kars and Ardahan sections since last January.
The Turkish commander charged that twenty-eight Mohammedan villages had been destroyed, that cattle had been stolen and the populations maltreated. He contended that upwards of 2,000 of the residents of the villages were forced to proceed for Kars and that the majority of them died on the way.

JURY DISAGREES IN CASE OF AGED WOMAN ON MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

Pawpaw, Mich., May 1.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Sarah Tabor, eighty years of age, a Lawton, Mich. woman, charged with manslaughter in connection with the mysterious death of her daughter, Maude Tabor Virgo, reports a disagreement last night, and was dismissed by Judge Howard West. The case goes over to the next circuit court term which will open at the middle of this month, but it was indicated that a postponement to October probably would be sought.

Twenty months ago Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lang of Mount Pleasant, Pa., were blessed with triplets. Now they have twins.

RESULTS IN GREAT ATHLETIC MEET

World Record Made, English
Runner Beaten, Mix-Up
Over International Race.

Philadelphia, April 30.—A new world record, the defeat of England's best collegiate distance runner, three teams including Oxford-Cambridge left at the post in the star race, and the winning of the Pentathlon by Bradley, of the University of Kansas, were the outstanding features of the opening day of the University of Pennsylvania relay carnival here today. The presence of the English universities' track team gave an international aspect to the games, and for a heavy rain and an unfortunate basco which ruined the middle race, the initial day of the meet would have gone down in athletic history as one of the most successful in the long carnival record.

The fastest field of varsity distance runners that the United States could boast faced the starter in the three mile international collegiate race, arranged for the special benefit of E. A. Montague of Oxford University, winner of this event in the Oxford-Cambridge dual meet in London on March 27, which he did in 14:45.3. Today he was easily defeated by E. T. Nightingale of New Hampshire State College by more than forty yards in 14:56.

Montague, who ran second finished some thirty yards ahead of W. McMahon, Massachusetts Technical, after a gruelling race.

J. M. Watt won almost at will in 54.5 seconds, displacing the former time of 54:3.5 made by Harry Hillman in 1904. Coughlin of the University of the South, was second and H. Gish, Nebraska, third.

The keenest disappointment came to the 50,000 spectators who had braved the heavy downpour when the Oxford-Cambridge team as well as several others did not appear for the distance medley relay championship race. No explanation was given by the officials. After a grueling neck and neck race, Pennsylvania State nosed out the Yale quartette with Syracuse and Georgetown finishing in that order well in the rear. In the dressing rooms the three teams which had been left out of the race were puzzling over the mix-up which cost them a chance at the championship. According to the best explanation given all three combinations were ready to go to the starting point when told to remain under cover until called. They waited for some time, and when finally a messenger was sent to find the cause of the delayed call the race had been started.

REPORTS ACTION AGAINST K. OF C.

Montreal, May 1.—La Presse last night carried a news item regarding an alleged initiation into the Knights of Columbus at St. Jerome into some of the incidents of which an enquiry will be held by Judge Cusson at St. Scholastique on next Monday.

It is said that action has been taken against ten members of the Knights of Columbus by Joseph Fortier, prothonotary at the superior court of St. Scholastique. Others who are also complainants in the case are a son of Mr. Fortier and a well known notary of the town.

The statement is made that members of the Knights of Columbus had approached Prothonotary Fortier with a request that he submit his complaint to a court of honor instead of taking his action before a judge.

STRIKERS RUN SPECIALS FOR THE PRINCE AND PARTY

Auckland, N. Z., May 1.—The Prince of Wales and his entire party, with the governor and his staff, were brought into Auckland yesterday in four special trains run by the striking railway men. The strikers gave the prince an ovation.

It is still hoped here that the strike will be settled in time to permit the prince to carry out his proposed visit to the northern part of New Zealand.

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POLICEMAN LET CAT OUT OF BAG, BOUND BOTTLE, AND WOMAN PAYS FINE OF \$25.

Manchester, N. H., May 1.—Because she carried a bottle of home brew, Laura Deschamps paid a fine of \$25 in court.

It appeared that she had the liquor in a bag with her pet cat, but the vigilance of a policeman let the cat out of the bag.

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IF IT ISN'T ONE THING, IT'S ANOTHER : : : : : BRIGGS

