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AIKINS ADVOCATES FREE WHEAT OR BONUS TO WESTERN MILLERS AS MEANS OF RELIEF TO WEST

Conservative M.P. for Brandon Presented Strong Argument for Removal of Wheat and Flour Duties—Aid to Western Miller Might Prove a Partial Remedy.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, April 17.—The feature of the budget debate in the house today was the speech delivered by J. A. M. Aikins, the Conservative member for Brandon. He made out a strong case for the removal of the wheat and flour duties and expressed his conviction that Finance Minister White had not closed the door upon the proposition. He declared, however, that under democratic rule the minority must submit to the will of the majority, and suggested that bonusing the milling industry in the west might recompense the growers of wheat for their loss of the American market.

Mr. Buchanan, the Liberal member for Medicine Hat, also advocated the removal of the wheat and flour duties and took a strong stand against any further aid to the Canadian Northern.

Soil Exploiters in West. The other members who participated in the debate were Mr. Webster of Brookville, who pleaded for adequate protection for the Ontario farmer, Mr. Robb (Huntingdon), Hon. H. R. Emerson and Mr. Morris, the victor of Chateaugay. The last named said too much attention was being given to complaints from the west. Many of the wheat growers in the prairie provinces were not farmers at all, but were exploiters of the soil. He would long real farmers would have to go into that part of Canada and build up the soil. He was therefore opposed to free wheat.

Hard Times and Drill Halls. Mr. Robb (Huntingdon) in resuming the budget debate, said that the Borden government had no remedy for hard times except to build drill halls and give away bread. The finance minister had stated that the government could not hope to borrow money for years to come at less than 4 per cent. If that were the case why did it not pay 4 per cent to depositors in the postal savings and government savings banks? If money was worth 4 per cent why pay our own people less?

The two parties in Canada, he continued, stood for two different policies. The Conservatives believed in taxing everything we produce, everything we consume, everything we bought and everything we sold.

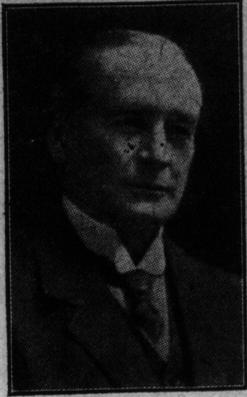
The Liberals favored giving the farmers a wider market. Had reciprocity been adopted in 1911 the manufacturers as well as the farmers would have been greatly benefited.

Mr. Smith (South Ontario): "How?" Mr. Robb: "The farmers would have got better prices for their products and would have made larger purchases thus benefiting the manufacturers and merchants throughout the country."

Championed Free Wheat. Mr. Aikins (Brandon) said there was no effective argument, in his opinion, against the demand of the western farmers for free wheat. The objections to the reciprocity pact did not

Conservative M.P. Who Wants Free Wheat

James Albert Manning Aikins, K.C., has been a member of parliament for Brandon, Manitoba, since 1911, having been returned in the election following the reciprocity campaign. He was born in Peel County, Ontario, and is the son of the late Hon. J. C. Aikins. He is a graduate of Toronto University and for 30 years was counsel for the C.P.R. at Winnipeg. He is exceptionally well posted on the needs and desires of the Canadian west.



WILL PREVENT HINDUS LANDING

Four Hundred East Indians on Way to Vancouver Must Keep Out.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, April 17.—On the orders of the day Mr. Stevens (Vancouver) asked if the minister of the interior were on their way to Vancouver from Shanghai and Hongkong, for the purpose of testing the legislation by which at present they were excluded from Canada.

Hon. Dr. Roche said in reply that a telegram had been received by the interior department that the Hindus were on their way here, and that instructions had been given to prevent their landing in contravention of the law.

MANITOBA WILLING TO GUARANTEE C.N.R. BONDS

Province Anxious to Have Construction of Branch Line Carried Out.

OTTAWA, April 17.—Hon. J. H. Howden, attorney-general of Manitoba, stated here today that the government would offer to guarantee the bonds of the C. N. R. for the construction of a branch line from McCreary or Laurier northward to connect with the Gypsumville extension of the Hudson Bay railroad.

"We are going to impress on the C. N. R. the desirability of building this road, and we shall offer to guarantee the bonds for it," he said.

HUERTA CABINET IS CONFERRING ON MESSAGE

Early Adjustment of Situation Not Expected at Mexico City—Charge O'Shaughnessy Delivered Reply of U. S. Verbally to Cabinet Last Night.

MEXICO CITY, April 17.—The substance of the reply of the United States government to the demand of President Huerta that there should be a simultaneous salute fired by the Americans when the Mexicans salute the American flag was delivered verbally tonight by Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge d'affaires, to Senor Fortillo y Rojas, the foreign minister.

The reply, it is said, was unfavorable to an early adjustment of the situation. It is understood that the matter is being considered at a cabinet meeting tonight.

WANTED RECIPROCAL SALUTE.

VIERA CRUZ, April 17.—The first reference to the situation between the United States and Mexico growing out of the arrest of bluejackets from the gunboat Dolphin at Tampico was published this afternoon by La Opinion. According to the version of La Opinion President Huerta offered to salute the United States flag if he were assured a reciprocal salute. Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge at Mexico City, transmitted Huerta's proposal to Washington and President Wilson agreed to it, according to La Opinion.

CHINESE BOY IS SENT TO TRIAL FOR MURDER

Young Girls Prominent in Crowd That Attended Proceedings at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, April 17.—Kong Yung Kew, or Jack Kong, as he is known to the public, was committed for trial by Magistrate Shaw this morning on the charge of murdering Mrs. Charles Millard at her home here on April 1.

Alexander Henderson, K. C., called only one witness for the defence. This was the father of the accused, Kong Lit, who gave evidence as to the age of the boy. He is not yet 17 years old, declared the father.

A number of young girls were prominent in front ranks of those who crushed against the barricades, and women of all ranks and stations mingled with the white men, Hindus, Chinese, Japanese and negroes who composed the crowd.

THREE VICTORIES ARE ACHIEVED BY REBELS

Campaign Against Monterey Is Apparently Making Good Headway.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., April 17.—Three rebel victories in the campaign against Monterey were announced at Constitutional headquarters at Matamoros tonight. At Cadereyta, 35 miles southeast of Monterey, General Tecodoro Elizondo reported that in one engagement his command had routed an entrenched Federal force of 2,000, which sustained a loss of 100 killed and 400 wounded and "dispersed." It was said the Constitutionalists lost five officers and 30 soldiers.

COUNT CAUGHT IN PARIS PLUNDER PLOT ALLEGED

With Four Others Bavarian Nobleman Was Captured on Boulevards.

PARIS, April 17.—Count Maximilian Van Montgelas, a Bavarian nobleman, and four persons who were with him were arrested in broad daylight today after a hot chase on the boulevards, and charged with attempting to steal jewels valued at \$120,000 from a jeweler's salesman. The Countess Von Montgelas, who is the divorced wife of an Austrian officer, also was arrested after a search of her apartment disclosed a large quantity of property which the police say was stolen.

WORK PROCEEDS RAPIDLY ON N. TORONTO VIADUCT

Construction work is proceeding rapidly on the North Toronto C.P.R. viaduct. The whole of the steel superstructure has been completed at the Davenport road crossing, and the engineer, B. Ripley, states that the city can proceed with paving at this point right away.

The first steel beams are just being erected at Spadina avenue and work may be started on the Yonge street subway within two weeks.

MEXICO MUST SALUTE FIRST HUERTA'S PROPOSAL REJECTED WARSHIPS NOT YET RECALLED

"Simultaneous Salute" in Token of Apology Considered an Absurd Suggestion at Washington, But Administration Believes Mexican Government Will Make Speedy Surrender.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—President Wilson today flatly rejected Gen. Huerta's suggestion for a simultaneous salute to the American and Mexican flags.

The Washington government informed Huerta that his wish for simultaneous firing of the salutes was untenable, and that as demanded by Rear-Admiral Mayo a salute of 21 guns would be insisted upon, the manner of returning the salute to be left to the American admiral, who agreed to fire one to the Mexican flag. Naval precedents showed no "simultaneous salute" had ever been fired in apology for an offence.

No reply to the last American note transmitted thru Charge O'Shaughnessy had been received up to late today and no orders to the American warships to log down or turn back had been issued. Administration officials consider, however, the main point at issue—the exchange of salutes—had been settled, and they regarded Huerta's "haggling over details" as one official expressed it, as not likely to prevent an adjustment of the controversy. They believed the crisis was over, but on the other hand, in view of the kaleidoscopic changes of the last three days, said they would not be surprised if the hitch over details became serious again.

Not Salute to Huerta. The American government has taken the position that when a salute of 21 guns is fired to the Stars and Stripes the salute in acknowledgment would be fired to the flag of the Mexican people—and not to the Huerta administration or any government or individual.

Commenting on the original demand for a salute to the flag, Secretary Daniels said a few days ago Rear-Admiral Mayo himself modified his

OLD ENOUGH TO KNOW BETTER

Septuagenarian Asked to Be Locked Up for Bigamy, But Authorities Shoo Him Away.

Past seventy years of age, William A. Douglas entered the morality department offices yesterday afternoon and said he wished to surrender himself to the authorities. The old man stated he was a bigamist, and as he had just got converted he wanted to clear his conscience of his crime and pay the penalty.

The old man's story was to the effect that 30 years ago he married a woman in Oakville, with whom he lived for fifteen years, and by whom he had four children, two of whom are still living. Seventeen years ago he went to England and there married another woman. After living with the second wife a number of years the couple separated by mutual consent.

As the crime was committed in England, the officers of the department could not hold him here. One of his wives, he said, is living at present in a western Ontario city, and the other in Winnipeg.

CONDUCTOR ACQUITTED ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

Moir Not to Blame For Wreck Which Cost Two Lives.

NORTH BAY, April 17.—After 15 minutes' deliberation a jury at the Sudbury assizes returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of John Moir, a C. P. R. conductor of Chapleau, on a charge of negligence and endangering human life, an additional charge of manslaughter having been struck out by order of Judge Middleton.

Engineer McAuley was also charged in a similar way. Conductor John Moir was in charge of the second section of a freight train running east from Chapleau and collided with express No. 5, killing two persons.

THE BEST CAST OF A GENERATION.

Uniquely lonely the best singing pincups and chorus that have been seen in musical comedy here this season is in "Sweethearts," that concludes the local engagement at the Princess with today's matinee and the performance tonight. "The best cast of a generation" is well applied to "Sweethearts."

BOUNDARIES NOW FIXED FOR TORONTO

Six Ridings for the Legislature Will Have Ten Members, Two Each From Four Central Districts, and One Each From Two Constituencies at Extreme East and West.

As published in The World on Friday, April 10, Toronto is to have ten seats in the legislature. Official announcement to that effect was made in the legislature yesterday by Hon. W. J. Hanna, during his explanation of the redistribution bill.

While there will be ten members, there will be only six ridings. Two large ridings have been decided on for the extreme east and west ends of the city, with one member each. In the centre of the city there will be four ridings having two members each. The members for the four double ridings will sit for seats "A" and "B."

The ridings, with their boundaries, follow: East Wing Riding—One Member. Woodbine avenue, on the east. Logan avenue, on the west. City limits, on the north. Ashbridge's Bay, on the south. West Wing Riding—One Member. Dunn and Lansdowne avenue, on the east. City limits, on the west. City limits, on the north. Lake Shore line, on the south.

FOUR CENTRAL RIDINGS—TWO MEMBERS EACH.

Southeast Riding. Logan avenue, on the east. Simcoe street, on the west. Gerrard and Carlton streets, on the north. Bay line, on the south. Northeast Riding. Logan avenue, on the east. Avenue road, on the west. City limits, on the north. Gerrard and Carlton, on the south. Southwest Riding. Simcoe street, on the east. Dunn and Lansdowne avenues, on the west. College street, on the north. Waterfront, on the south. Northwest Riding. Avenue road, on the east. Dunn and Lansdowne avenues, on the west. City limits, on the north. College street, on the south. North and West Toronto under this arrangement will be left for distribution in the Yorks, with East Toronto likely staying in the George Henry riding of East York and Earlecourt coming into the west city riding.

Other Changes. In the provincial distribution the County of Monck will be divided up among neighbors and two ridings will be made, if possible, out of Welland and Lincoln. The Victoria seats will become north and south, instead of east and west, as at present, and Centre Bruce, which at first had threatened to dissolve, will still remain. Boundary lines, however, will have to be moved about to equalize the population. The Middlesex riding will likely remain, but the western will be supplemented by the addition of Strathroy. It is also understood that Penetang will be moved into the West Simcoe riding.

ULSTER BOYCOTT IS THREATENED

Ancient Order of Hibernians Passed Significant Resolution at Meeting Yesterday.

LONDON, Saturday, April 18.—Ulster traders are threatened with organized boycotting unless they change their present attitude in the home rule controversy. This was threatened in one of the clauses of a resolution passed yesterday by the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Roscommon County. They pledged unwavering adhesion to the Nationalist party, objected to further concessions to Ulster, and reminded Ulster traders that all their representatives would be ignored by "western merchants" if a permanent change in their attitude is not effected.

A BUSY DAY.

Saturday is always a busy day in the Men's Hat department at Dineen's, 140 Yonge street, but today with spring weather rushing on us and the new styles being all opened we have prepared for a big day's selling. Our hands have been engaged. Men's Hats at popular prices. Stiff and Soft Hats, \$2.50 to \$4.00. Silk Hats, \$5.00 to \$8.00. Spring Overcoats and Raincoats. Store open till 10 tonight.

