

## CHARGES OPPOSITION PREACHING UNTRUTH; OFFERS TO BACK IT UP

Prime Minister Speaks on Maritime Rights and Railway Situation at Moncton—Would Join Meighen in Representations Looking to Extension of Atlantic Region

MONCTON, Sept. 22—Two crowded halls greeted Premier King tonight for the last meeting of his Maritime campaign. In the last week he has rapidly traversed the three provinces by the sea.

"I have only one regret," the Prime Minister observed, "and it is that this is the last of the meetings I am to address in the Maritimes. But I go away feeling that this part of the country, which gave us such splendid support four years ago, will be again with the Government on Oct. 29."

He charged that in preaching "blue print" Conservatives were proceeding on the theory that "if you state an untruth often enough, people will believe it."

"That may seem strong," Mr. King pursued, "but I am prepared to back up what I say."

**CHARGES UNTRUTHS.**

He then classified as "untrue" statements reported to have been made at Mr. Meighen's Moncton meeting yesterday.

1—That 2,000 factories had been closed in Canada since the present Government took office.

2—That we are becoming annexed to the United States by reason of the migration of Canadians south.

Mr. King quoted Dunn and Bradstreet in support of his challenge of the first statement. In reply to the second statement, he quoted American figures to support his contention that the migration of Canadians to the United States had dropped 50 per cent in the last 12 months.

The Prime Minister continued: "Mr. Meighen tells you that Moncton has been treated abominably, that the

### "MARITIME RIGHTS"

"Mr. Meighen talks of Maritime rights. He says that I am asking what Maritime rights are. Well, if there was one right to which you were entitled, it was a right to the great market to the south of us right at your door. When we tried to give you that market, Mr. Meighen and his friends took it from you."

Mr. King referred to the Grand Trunk Railway strike of more than a decade ago and to efforts made to have

pensions restored to the strikers in accordance with the strike settlement. He told the meeting that when the Grand Trunk purchase agreement was before the House of Commons he sought to have a clause inserted which would have required the Grand Trunk to restore the pensions. "My resolution," he said, "was voted down by Mr. Meighen and his friends."

### PENSIONS PAID, HE SAYS

"When we came into office," the Premier went on, "I sent word to the Grand Trunk and the Canadian National that unless we could get a settlement voluntarily, legislation would be brought down in a hurry. The result was that before we had been in office a few months every dollar owing to these men was paid."

He challenged Mr. Meighen to say that in placing the National Railways under an independent board of directors, "free from political control," the Government had been wrong.

"I don't think," the Prime Minister exclaimed, "that any Government in the world can itself run 21,000 miles of railway."

### OFFER TO MEIGHEN

With respect to enlarging that Atlantic Region of the C. N. R. from Rivière du Loup to Moncton, Mr. King said he would be glad to submit any representations to the C. N. R. board and would be glad to have Mr. Meighen join with him in such representations. "But," he added, "I should be unfair if I did not say that it is the board in charge of the system which must in the last analysis determine whether the change is to be made or not."

### DENIES STATEMENT

Mr. King denied a statement reported to have been made by Mr. Meighen that the Government had established the Crow's Nest rates.

"Mr. Meighen won't tell them that story in the West," Mr. King asserted. "Who would say, 'I should be unfair if I did not say that it is the board in charge of the system which must in the last analysis determine whether the change is to be made or not'?"

He turned to Mr. Meighen's attitude on the West India treaty. At first, said Mr. King, Meighen had asserted there was no treaty, then that he had not seen it. "I am happy to say," said the Prime Minister, "that we passed through Sussex today I presented him a copy of it."

The Prime Minister continued: "Mr. Meighen has been in the Maritimes now for ten days discussing this treaty. Yet he says that he has never read it. But now that he has the treaty he will denounce it just the same. He will denounce it whether he has read it or not."

Premier King said further that at the Conservative meeting in Moncton yesterday effort had been made to hold Mr. Copp responsible for conditions which arose largely out of the way.

"I consider such conduct anything but chivalrous," added the Prime Minister, "anything but honest, anything but fair."

### CLAIMS TRADE INCREASE

"Mr. Meighen," the Prime Minister proceeded, "asks you for his support. Yet the Government, of which he was a member, borrowed every single dollar of the cost of the war. That is the way they carried on. Yesterday say taxation is high and that conditions are hard."

He contended that under the present Government trade had increased, quoting the following figures to show the growth of Canada's total trade: 1922-23, \$779,000,000; 1923-24, \$1,001,000,000; 1924-25, \$1,000,000,000; twelve months to the end of August, 1925, \$1,130,000,000.

Hon. Dr. Bland urged that the tariff changes effected by the Government had been beneficial to farmers and fishermen alike.

Hon. A. B. Copp said that he hoped to be able to announce within 48 hours the erection of a public building in Moncton.

### Woman And 2 Girls In Canoe Missing

TORONTO, Sept. 22—Lake Ontario's waters and North Shore are being combed today in an effort to find a canoe containing a woman and two girls, who are thought to have gone paddling on the lake yesterday afternoon and have not been seen since.

Mrs. W. E. Work, aged 25, her two young daughters, Phyllis, and 12-year-old Kathleen Conroy are those missing.

### TIMBER PROBE ORDERED

QUEBEC, Sept. 22—The Department of Justice at Ottawa has ordered an investigation to be made by the Royal Mounted Police on the north shore of the St. Lawrence, where it has been reported that certain parties have illegally taken possession of privately owned timber limits and have stolen large quantities of pulpwood.

### EMPTY BOAT SEEN AT SEA

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 22—An intercepted wireless message from Cape Race received here this afternoon by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, states that on September 18 an empty fishing boat was seen in latitude 42.41 north and longitude 49.18 west.

## Liquor-Soaked Grain Fails To Oust Pigeons

Canadian Press Despatch.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 22—Driven to desperation by the constant coming of a growing flock of pigeons, residents of the troubled neighborhood tried a novel method of getting rid of this nuisance.

They conceived the scheme of soaking wheat in alcohol and feeding the grain to the voracious birds. The birds had a "glorious fling" on the roofs of the pestered houses—then lay down in the eaves and slept it off. Today they are billing and cooing again.

Now the residents have sought permission to shoot the souses.

## FUSILIERS TO SPEND NIGHT AT RED HEAD

Regiment to March There on Saturday Afternoon and Remain Till Sunday.

The Saint John Fusiliers on Saturday will march to Red Head and bivouac for the night returning to the city on Sunday. It will be real campaigning experience and something of an innovation for late out door training for the local unit. The Fusiliers, under command of Lt.-Col. George Keefe, have been carrying on their annual training at the Armoury and orders have been issued for the battalion, accompanied by the brass band to leave the Armoury at 3 p. m. on Saturday and march to Red Head to bivouac at the camp and grounds of Lt.-Col. J. L. McAvity. A field kitchen is being provided by local military headquarters and every arrangement is being made for the comfort of the troops who will remain in camp until the following evening.

### ALL DETAILS EXPECTED

All details, including the band and signaller will parade and the regiment is expected to march out up to full strength permitted to train this year.

An advance party under Major J. R. Miller, V. D., quartermaster, will leave the Armoury on Saturday morning to prepare for the arrival of the main body.

The training has progressed well this year but there is still room for a few more recruits in the battalion.

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## CREDIT PURCHASE SYSTEM DEBATED

Installment Sales Plan Attacked and Defended at Conference.

WELLESLEY, Mass., Sept. 22—Attack on and defense of the "dollar down and dollar a week" system of buying were heard today at the twelfth annual business conference at Babson Park, a suburb.

"If the present rate of increase of installment sales continues it will be only a short time before a housewife will order a steak on the agreement that she is to pay 10 cents a week for it," said William Nelson Taft, editor of the Retail Ledger.

"Installment purchasing is a form of saving—one is accumulating by buying on time instead of spending the cash," S. G. Rosson, vice-president of the Commercial Credit Company, assembly never see the phenomenal result.

## U. S. Move In Arms Meet Up To House

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22—Participation of the United States in disarmament conference plans of the League of Nations should only be undertaken if Congress authorizes it, in the judgment of President Coolidge.

The President wants to do nothing to discourage efforts for reduction in armament by mutual agreement, but he is not inclined to co-operate in a League of Nations disarmament conference if there is a possibility that Congress will object.

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## GIRL BABY-SLAYER GIVEN SEVEN YEARS

Admits Guilt in Ontario Court; Death Car Driver is Released.

CHATHAM, Ont., Sept. 22—Edna Grace Brown, aged 19, was today sentenced to Portsmouth Penitentiary for seven years on a manslaughter charge to which she pleaded guilty, by Justice Mowat, presiding over the Supreme Court sessions here. James Rutherford also pleaded guilty to a manslaughter charge and was released on suspended sentence, but was ordered not to drive a motor car for five years.

The charge against the Brown girl was preferred following the finding the body of her one-year-old baby hidden underneath a culvert near Ridgetown last April.

The charge against Rutherford arose out of an accident on April 19 when the automobile he was driving crashed into a milk wagon, driven by Reginald Glover, the injuries received resulting in the latter's death a few days afterwards.

## CUSTOMS REVENUE CONTINUES TO GAIN

Day- and Night Officers on Border Curb Smuggling, Says Report.

OTTAWA, Sept. 22—A continued increase in the amount of customs duty collected at the various "ports" of Canada is held by officials of the Department of Customs and Excise to indicate the growing effectiveness of the new drive against all kinds of smuggling along the border. For the first three weeks of September this year the actual collections amounted to \$9,269,561, as compared with \$8,821,672 in the first three weeks of August this year and with \$6,949,597 in the first three weeks of September last year.

It was stated that the maintenance of day and night officers on the International Border, especially in Quebec and Ontario, has already effected a considerable reduction in the amount of smuggling done. It is also stated that a large increase in the staff along the Niagara River has made the way of the smuggler there difficult.

## MASSEY O. K. FAILS TO INVOLVE PARTY

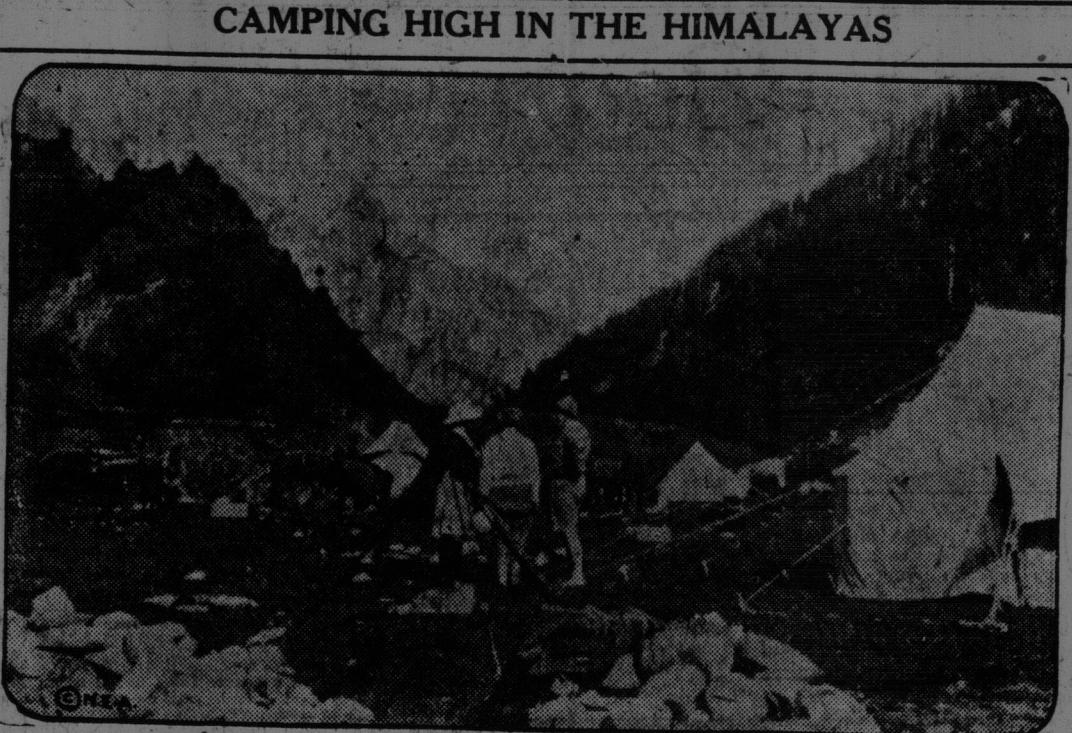
Durham Progressive Action Justifiable, Farmer Leader Declares.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 22—"The endorsement of Hon. Vincent Massey by the Progressives of Durham, Ont., has no party significance whatever," said Robert Forke, Progressive leader, today.

Mr. Forke said the principles of the Progressive party were most clearly set out by the subject of local autonomy, and that any unit of the party organization might take such steps as had been taken by the Progressives in Durham in supporting Mr. Massey as a Liberal, without committing the party in any way. Mr. Forke declined to comment further on the subject.

### EXAM. DATES ARE SET.

MONTEAL, Sept. 22—The board of directors of the General Accountants' Association have decided to hold the intermediate and final examinations on June 1 and 2. The examinations will be held concurrently in Halifax, Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton, Winnipeg and other cities.



The Roosevelt Field party's camp at Sanamang, high in the Himalayas. The group in front of the tent includes Mrs. Reeve Heber, Miss Ferguson and Dr. Reeve Heber, missionary, who is accompanying the expedition.

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## Wreck Is Preceded By Gas Expansion

LAKEHURST, N. J., Sept. 22—A new bit of testimony—that there was unusual expansion of the gas cells before the airship Shenandoah broke up—was given today before the Naval Court of Inquiry investigating the loss of the ship.

Lieut. Thomas B. Hendley, communications officer, testified that he was awakened by the pressure of a gas cell on his face and likewise by the unusual angle at which the ship was riding.

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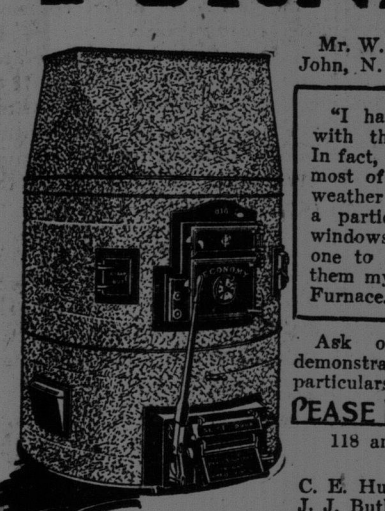
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