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Crazed Farmer Kills Son In Victoria Co.; Others Escape Madman

THE N. Y. TIMES ON KING AND MEIGHEN

Paper Discusses Leaders in Canada's Campaign.

Armand Lavergne in the Contest—More Nominations—News of Election Matters in Various Parts of Canada.

New York, Oct. 10.—(Canadian Press)—Under the heading "Canada's Two Leaders," the Times today prints an editorial discussing the qualities of the two chief figures in the dominion election campaign, declaring no matter which party wins "the dominion is assured of a premier of ability and genuine worth."

The Times writer remarks that from the point of view of the reported and the cartoonist Mackenzie King and Mr. Meighen share the same defect, they lack a genius for publicity.

There is nothing in their appearance or even in their speeches irresistibly to attract attention," the writer states.

"Both shine more as debaters than as orators, and both are comparatively young men."

Premier Meighen, as a son of the farm, represents the new element so unmistakably coming to the fore in Canadian affairs, the Times editorial continues, "while Mr. King claims direct descent from the founder of Canadian Liberalism. Mr. King is the better known on this side of the border through his fellowships at the University of Chicago and at Harvard, and by his investigation of industrial relations here, connected under the auspices of the Rockefeller foundation, of which his book 'Industry and Humanity' is the result."

It is thought that Mr. King is sufficiently practical for the rough and tumble of political life, but the overthrow of the Laurier government in 1911 limited his actual ministerial experience to three years.

Premier Meighen recently got unusual American attention through his stand at the imperial conference against the renewal in its old form at least of the Anglo-Japanese pact. His belief that Canada would do well to have no part in any international policy which would be detrimental to the continent as a whole is well known. But which ever leader the election placed in office, continuance of the spirit of friendship and co-operation between the U. S. and her northern neighbor remains assured."

Armand Lavergne.

Quebec, Oct. 10.—Before a crowd estimated at about 4,000, Armand Lavergne, K. C., regarded as the nationalist choice for Quebec county, opened his campaign on Sunday afternoon at Lottville. Mr. Lavergne denounced both the Liberals and Conservatives in office, contending that the farmer movement was not a class government, but was the natural outcome of conditions in Canada. He said that the Conservatives and Liberals were afraid of the farmers.

Speaking of Premier Meighen the speaker said that it was only fair to say that it was not the premier who had plunged Canada into the war, but the Liberals and the Conservatives. He said that the Conservatives were more honest and straight forward than the Liberals and had said right out that they were for the war, whereas the Liberals were against it in Quebec.

Class legislation and imperialism were both denounced in no uncertain terms by Mr. Lavergne, who added that he would not impose his candidature upon the people, but would only accept a nomination free from outside influences. He urged his listeners only to send disinterested men to parliament. Mr. Lavergne addressed his audience in English, saying that Mr. Lavergne evidently forgot that there were English speaking electors in Quebec county, but that he had never forgotten the minority and it was the fight of his life to defend them.

He said in conclusion: "I am a member of the Self-Determination League for Ireland, and am a Sinn Féin through and through."

Pierre Pelletier of Bienville declared that the country was going to ruin, that only disinterested men should be sent to parliament and not men who sought medals and medals, adding that the British Empire rewarded its leaders with medals and ribbons and crushed the people.

Earl Grey, who was governor general at the time, had, he said, suggested to (Continued on page 2, seventh column)

TWINS BORN ON THE VOYAGE TO QUEBEC

Montreal, Oct. 10.—While the C. P. liner Metagama, which docked here on Saturday afternoon, was two days out from Quebec, twins were born to one of the cabin passengers, Mrs. L. Swartz of Montreal. The mother and her babies, both girls, are reported doing well. The names chosen for them are Meta and Laura, the former after the vessel, and latter after the great river on which they first saw light.

DIED IN BOSTON.

The death of Mrs. Jennie M. Sullivan occurred in Boston on October 9. She was the widow of Albert Sullivan and a daughter of the late John and Susan Boyne. She leaves two sons, Howard Boyne, and Albert W. of Washington, D. C., and one brother, John F. Boyne and one sister, Margaret.

Threatens Wife and Chicago Man With Rifle—They Escape—Boy is Then Killed and Another Badly Beaten—Father Found Hanging to Tree Shouting Wildly and is Taken to Jail in Andover.

Plaster Rock, N. B., Oct. 10.—One of the worst tragedies in the criminal annals of Victoria county, is reported from Crombie Settlement, about five miles from here, where Almond Crombie, a well known farmer, suddenly became a raving maniac on Saturday evening, threatened to shoot his wife and a man named Donovan, said to be from Chicago, and, when they escaped, beat out the brains of his nine year old son, Almond, and attacked his other son, Roy, two years younger, whom he left as dead when he was scared away from the house by the arrival of neighbors.

He ran into the woods and was found on Sunday morning at daybreak at a clearing, hanging to the branch of a tree by both arms, dancing with his feet just touching the ground and shouting like a mad man.

Where Donovan has gone to nobody knows, but Crombie has been taken to the Victoria county jail at Andover by provincial constables Johnson of Woodstock, and Turner, of Plaster Rock, and an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the crime is being commenced.

The facts, so far as can be learned, are that Crombie and his wife, who married him soon after she came out to this country from Ireland, had quarrelled somewhat over the disposition of their children as to whether they should be brought up as Protestants or Catholics, but there had been no serious breach in their relations. Donovan, who is said to have come from Chicago, but about whom little information is available, came to stay at their home. On Saturday evening the trouble happened.

Crombie procured his rifle but he did not shoot his wife. Donovan got out of the house and has not since been seen. Then Crombie pointed the rifle at his wife and she succeeded in persuading him not to shoot her. She also escaped from the house and the crazed man then attacked his two sons. He knocked the older down and while Almond, Jr., the elder of the two sons, was lying on the floor, Crombie beat him with his rifle, literally beating his brains out with the butt of the gun. The other boy escaped with one finger being smashed off by a blow from the butt of the rifle when he attempted to protect himself.

In the melee the light went out and when a neighbor named McKay arrived at the house he was not allowed to enter until he had secured a question as to whether he was a friend or a foe. Crombie let him come in when he said he was a friend, but afterwards hurried away from the house.

Later on Dr. Coffin, who was called to attend the injured and also to pass upon Crombie's mental condition, he told a story to the effect that his wife and Donovan had tried to poison him and that he was later attacked by other persons, who shot him in the back and tried to injure him, but he had tried to help the boys and hoped they were all right. The doctor said he had no doubt that Crombie had suddenly become a raving maniac.

Crombie is about forty years of age and his wife is about the same age.

WRITES GIRL; DIES ON HER VERANDA

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 10.—William Dwyer, aged thirty-five, of Timmins, Ont., was found dead, the result of a North Toronto residence early on Sunday morning. In his pocket was found an empty carbolic acid bottle and a letter addressed to a young woman residing at the address where the body was found, informing her that he intended to end his life. Coroner M. Crawford decided that Dwyer had poisoned himself and that no inquest was necessary.

DINED BY "BYNG BOYS."

Daryl Peters and Moffatt Bell were guests of the "Byng Boys," at a banquet tendered them at the Manor House on Saturday evening. Those present were Major J. R. Gale, Daryl Peters, Moffatt Bell, L. McC. Ritchie, Cecil West, Dr. Malcolm, H. O. Evans, Dr. Pratt, Mr. Haines, J. B. Dever, D. L. MacLaren, J. Foster, E. J. Cronin, Ralph Hayes, Jack MacKenzie, George Keefe, Donald McAuley, George Brew, Cyrus Innes, Culbert Morgan, William Patterson, Mr. Armstrong of Fredericton and Mr. Casey of Toronto. Major Gale presided and addresses were made by the guests of honor, Major Innes, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Cronin, Mr. Dever, Dr. Pratt, Major MacKenzie and Mr. MacLaren.

New South Wales Ministry.

London, Oct. 10.—(Canadian Press Cable)—The minister of education, Sydney Cables, said that James Dwyer, deputy premier of New South Wales, has been elected leader of the parliamentary labor party and has been commanded to form a ministry to succeed that of the late Hon. John Storey.

All the former ministers will retain portfolios and the only additional member of the cabinet will be Carlo Camillo Lazzarini.

HEARST OFFERS CONGRESSMEN FREE TRIP THROUGH CANADA TO PROMOTE SALES TAX

New York, Oct. 10.—(Canadian Press)—William Randolph Hearst has offered to take every member of the U. S. Congress through Canada on a junket, at his expense. Hearst has been advocating the adoption of the sales tax in the U. S. and in today's issue of the New York American a long editorial says the tax has proved a boon to Canada and offers members of congress a free ride across the dominion.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbourn, "there is hope for humanity."

"Was you alluding," said Hiram, "to that there hope?"

"No," said the reporter, "I was thinking of a matter like I enjoyed the other night."

"I don't see," said Hiram, "what has to do with saying 'humanity'."

"I can tell you the story," said the reporter. "The man at the wheel of the car equipped with lights and showed down whenever he met another car."

"When he met a team he extinguished the lights and almost stopped. The driver in the carriage was so amazed at the courtesy that he jerked out 'Thank you' in an awed voice, as of one who had suddenly encountered an angel. When we came upon some other motorists filling their car our man at the wheel ran up until the full glare of his headlights fell upon the tips they were working at, and then he stopped till they had finished their job. He was to them a light in the darkness."

"Well," said Hiram, "there has been times when I was afraid St. John had received by word of God an 'Omni-bus'—but if you hear one man like that I guess maybe they's some large 'Y's—yes, I do."

Huggins Says Yanks Due For Rampage; Hoyt Against Nehf

Weather in New York Fine But Cool for Fifth Game of World Series—Some Points in Sunday's Contest—The Americans Miss Ruth.

READY TO CONFER ON IRISH PROBLEM

London, Oct. 10.—Michael Collins, Sinn Féin minister of finance, arrived in London today, completing the Sinn Féin delegation which tomorrow will confer with representatives of the British government to ascertain "how the association of Ireland with the community of nations known as the British Empire may best be reconciled with Irish National aspirations."

Prime Minister Lloyd George and the members of his cabinet forming the British delegation, also had a meeting to decide upon the course of procedure.

London, Oct. 10.—Conferees preparatory to the beginning of formal negotiations tomorrow between Sinn Féin delegates and members of the British cabinet relative to a settlement of the Irish problem were being held today by the Sinn Féin delegates. The Dublin representatives have brought to London a large retinue of secretaries, legal experts, historians and economists, and today's conversations were held to make final arrangements for tomorrow's meeting.

There was some apprehension lest events in Ireland would embarrass the conferees during their labors here. There have been many scattering acts of violence in various parts of Ireland, and it was feared that serious disorders might result in at least a temporary break in the conference. Fear of disorder is said to be the reason that arrangements for the release of all prisoners held by crown forces have not thus far been considered. It is possible, however, that many will be set at liberty after the conference is in progress.

EXPENSES OF THE NATIONS LEAGUE

Great Britain and Dominions Pay More Than Forty Per Cent.

London, Oct. 9.—(Canadian Press Cable)—A Reuter despatch from Geneva says:

"How the expenses of the League of Nations are distributed is exemplified as follows:—The figures representing the units payable by each state:—The British Empire and France, each 90; Italy, 80; China, Japan, each 45; Canada, 35; Australia, South Africa, Netherlands, each 15; New Zealand, Persia, Greece, Portugal, and Spain, each 10. Great Britain and the British dominions and colonies are thus carrying more than forty per cent of the cost of maintaining the league of nations. A reduction of Canada's proportion has been made and will be effective next year."

ONE ARREST AS A SUSPECT IN MAIL ROBBERY

Detroit, Oct. 10.—A trunk containing remnants of the twenty-six Canadian mail pouches stolen from a mail wagon on Friday night, was found yesterday. All the sacks had been cut or broken open and the mail, including \$118,697, of which the advisory boards share is \$17,779.05, the players' share \$80,448.77 and the two clubs \$40,229.15.

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SINGAPORE NEW BASE FOR MAVY IN THE PACIFIC?

London, Oct. 10.—(Canadian Press)—The Sydney correspondent of the Melbourne Age, says Reuter's News Agency, \$100,000 naval officers are plotting out under a new scheme, Singapore will be the base for the Pacific fleet, and Sydney will be merely a repairing port for Pacific fleets, and that subsisting stations in the Commonwealth, including Jervis Bay, with its naval college, will pass away.

PERSHING NOT TO GO TO LONDON

Paris, Oct. 10.—General Pershing will not go to London to lay the congressional medal on the tomb of the British unknown soldier in Westminster Abbey. Another officer will be designated to represent the U. S. This announcement came tonight from an authoritative source.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, Oct. 10.—The local stock market opened for the week this morning in a quiet manner, and during the early trading nothing of importance occurred. Brazilian was steady and unchanged at 32.5-34, as was also National Breweries at 22.1-2. Dominion Steel was quoted at 251-2.

FAREWELL TO S. A. COMMISSIONER

Toronto, Oct. 10.—"Amid much that is changing and disintegrating, the Salvation Army stands four square against the forces of evil, ever ready to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and smooth the dying pillow of the outcast and forsaken, and to speak the word of life to the dying car," said Major Mary Booth, second daughter of General Booth, who was the chief speaker at a farewell meeting yesterday to Commissioner and Mrs. Richards, who will leave soon for a new field of activity in Australia.

The commissioner preached two sermons during the day. He came from New Zealand to Toronto seven years ago, and now will return to Melbourne, Australia.