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ESTIMATES MAYOR CHURCH

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he Toronto World

Sensational Charges Against Police Court Officials to Be Probed City Council Passes On Proposal For Widening of Upper Yonge St.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST OFFICIALS OF POLICE COURT

Ald. Singer Produces Affidavits in Support of Demand for Inquiry.

TO GET LEGAL ADVICE

Following the reading of affidavits by Ald. Singer last night, making serious charges against officials of the police court, the city council adopted a resolution calling upon the legal department to advise them as to how to proceed to get the police court situation cleared up. Ald. Singer had asked for judicial enquiry under the enquiries the members. The discussion dragged along until nearly one o'clock this morning, when Controller Nesbitt's motion to refer the matter to the legal rtment was carried.

The motion was not carried without a heated argument which was at times tinged with bitterness and considerable politics. Mayor Church fought to have the affidavits referred to the police commission, who would hold an enquiry, but the sense of the members was that the police commission was not the proper body to investigate its own court.

Misconduct Alleged.
The affidavits alleged misconduct against interpreters of the police The burden of the charges were that the interpreters had used their position to squeeze money out of foreigners had had the mistfortune to be accused in the police court and the former crown attorney, J. S. Cor-ley. K.C., it was alleged, had been seen drinking in the house of Markevitch, one of the interpreters. Controller Nesbitt raised the question whether an investigation could be (Continued on Page 2, Column 4.)

DUE TO HOUSEWIVES

Drayton Says Lavish Buying in . U. S. Will Spell National Bankruptcy.

TRADE FIGURES MISLEAD

Montreal, March 21.-Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance, speaking today before the American Women's Club here, laid at the door of the Canadian housewife a large part of the responsibility for the shrinkage of the Canadian dollar in the United States market, and uttered a warning that, if the Dominion contion of United States goods at the expense of Canadian producers and manufacturers, national bankruptcy would be inevitable.

Canada's apex of international trade reached last year in a total of two and house brought a constitutional discusa quarter billion of dollars did not in sion which both sides agreed in termthe minister's view, stand for pros-perity in a country which was bearing the colossal burdens of war debt, of the colossal burdens of war debt, of the house. Hon, Rodolphe Lemieux

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PLEBISCITE VOTE **DISAPPOINTS PARIS**

Do Not Yet Give Up Hope That Silesia Is Not Lost to Poland.

Paris, March 21 .- In French official circles keen disappointment was expressed over reports received this afternoon from Upper Silesia saying that Germany will retain the district as a result of Sunday's plebiscite, but the official do not yet admit the area the officials do not yet admit the area is lost to Poland. They pointed out that the reports of the plebiscite were unofficial and came mostly from Ber-lin. It was said that in the event of the majority of the vote being German the territory probably would be divid-ed, leaving to Poland those places which voted Polish.

Stress was placed by French officials on the agricultural vote, which it is hoped will prove to be largely Polish, but it was conceded the towns had voted German. Reports of the

Boston, Mass., March 21. - The are not known.



CHAMPION WOMAN SKATER HONORED

eturn to the city yesterday from her skating triumphs at Pittsburg. The silver tea service was the gift of the Sportsmen's Patriotic Association, the club bag was presented to her by Mayor Church on behalf of the city, and the basket of

SEATS FOR MINISTERS IN EITHER CHAMBER WHEN BUSINESS CALLS

Commons Discusses Motion Steel Directors Approve by Hon. Rodolph Lemieux Which Brings Up Constitutional Question-Meighen Doubts Whether Resolution, Either of House or Senate, Would Effect the Change — Some Members Doubtful of Wisdom of the

Ottawa, March 21.—(By Canadian Press) .- Private members' day in the sion which both sides agreed in terming of prime importance. It touched of great debts grown out of the war initiated it on a motion to enable ministers of the crown to sit in either tem of Canada.

Unnecessary purchases, such as fruit, vegetables, eggs, and textiles, mean he said an extra charge of mean he said an extra charge of the cellars.

Isters of the crown the control of the crown the control of the con tion. At present, the government had three ministers in the senate—and surely it was essential that the head of the labor department and the head

the senate) should be entitled to be present when their departments were being discussed in the house.

The prime minister saw no strong objection to the principle of the proposal, but he doubted if it could be given effect by a resolution either of the house.

The house or the senate. Would if not rather require a constitutional amendment? In any event, it was a step which should be taken only after mature consideration. "It should be mature consideration. "It should be mature consideration. "It should be mature consideration. The house of lords passed the criminal law targets. The lords passed the criminal law are manufactured to the proposal, said that the government is proposal, said that the government would not be done until the next session of the house.

REJOICING IN BERLIN

London, March 21.—The official returns of the plebiscite in Upper Sileston of the lords, are introduced in the whole plebiscite area, or approximate the prime minister would be leader of the whole party, but the coalition complicates matures. In outland, the third decrees naming the prohibited articles. The lords passed the criminal law targets and the third reading of the German reparations sia, as given by Dr. Simons, the German freign secretary, in a telegram foreign secretary, in a telegram for the union of the whole plebiscite area, or approximate the prime minister would be leader of the whole party of the whole party. Fair notice will be given before their would be leader of the whole party. Lord Curture would be leader of the whole party of the union of the leader of the whole party. Lord Curture would be leader of the whole party. The collision compiliates and the club, and the club, and the collision compiliates and the culture would be carried to the party of the union of the leader of the whole

Contracts of the Merger

Montreal, March 21.-Directors of the Dominion Steel Corporation and the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company met here today to discuss the proposed amalgamation of the two companies with the Halifax shipyards in the British Empire Steel Corporation. After the meetings of the two boards it was announced that both boards had approved of the contracts covering the consolidation and that special meetings of both the steel corporation and Scotia common shareholders would be called for April 7 next, to pass upon the recommendations of the directors in this respect.

TO REFORM LORDS

Earl Curzon Says It Will Be Introduced at Earliest Possible Moment.

London, March 21.-In the house of Polls Sixty-One Per Cent. of lords today, Earl Curzon, secretary for foreign affairs, and leader in the of the labor department and the most of the interior department (now in house, replying to an enquiry as to the senate) should be entitled to be the progress of the house of lords the progress of the house of lords are the progress are the progress of the house of lords are the progress are the pr

mature consideration. "It should be open," Mr. Meighen declared, "to the consideration of the people thru the press, and there should be general (Cortinued on Page 5, Column 5.) March 31. The house of commons passed the second reading today of the bill for winding up the ministries of shipping and munitions. Germany 713,700, Poland 460,700, in the whole plebiscite area, or approximately 61 per cent. for remaining German territory and approximately 39 per cent. for incorporation in Poland. Giving details of the polling, Dr. Simons says: "All the towns, especially the industrial centres, show an overwhelming German vote. There are Seven Soldiers Killed

Dublin, March 21.—Seven members of the crown forces, including an officer, were killed, and twelve were wounded when a train was ambushed today, according to official announcement. The attack occurred near Headment. The attack occurred near Head- off the rebels.

TRADE DELEGATIONS

No Ruling as to Seizure of Coroner's Jury Finds That Gold Will Affect the Agreement.

MAY HOLD UP TRADE

London, March 21.-The despatch of British trade delegations to Russia this spring may be expected as the first tangible result of the recently concluded Anglo-Russian trade agree-

concluded Anglo-Russian trade agreement, according to official circles. Upon the investigations and reports of these agents will be based attempts to Anglo-Russian commerce, starting in a small way and increasing as the volume of goods from Russia becomes increasingly available.

No eventuality, not even a ruling by British courts that creditors have a right to seize Bolshevik gold brought into Britain. will make the agreement inoperative, say the officials who have dominated the six-months' negotiations with Leonid Krassin. It is pointed out that the British government is the largest Russian creditor in Great Britain, with from five to six hundred million sterling involved, while the

million sterling involved, while the largest private creditors' claims are approximately £50,000,000. If the courts uphold the right of selzure, then the government will insist upon a division of the gold among the various creditors, claiming by far the greatest share for the government, while private creditors would get a relatively small share in payment of what was due to them. The result would be a temporary delay in trade between the two countries, but nego-tiations would be started anew for the purpose of making trade possible.

Altho Great Britain is the first to sign a formal agreement, it is reported in official circles that Germany, Italy, Sweden and Finland are negotiating

trade pacts with Russia

economical question as long as Russia is controlled by the Bolsheviki, Secretary Hoover declared today in a statement discussing the problem of resumption of trade relations with Russia.

"Under their economic system," Mr. Hoover said, "no matter how much they moderate it in name, there can be no real return to production in Russia, and, therefore, Russia will have no considerable commodities to export, and consequently, no great ability to obtain imports.

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"The whole question from a trade point of view develops into furnishing commodities equal to the gold, platinum and jewelry, variously estimated from \$60,000,000 to \$200,000,000 in the hands of the Bolshevik government, and after that has been expended there can be little expectation of continued trade.

"There has been but little trade for gold because its title has been called into question by the French government and by their threats of private actions in the courts on the ground that it is stolen or subject to foreign liens. If any one European nation accepts the gold, no doubt all of them will.

"Europe cannot recover its economic stability until Russia returns to production. Trading for this parcel of gold would not effect this remedy—nor would the goods obtained by the Bolsheviki in return for it restore their production. That requires the abandonment of their present economic system."

present economic system." SILESIA DECIDES TO REMAIN GERMAN BY HUGE MAJORITY

Vote, According to Offi-

overwhelming German vote. There are only Polish majorities in the country, In Another Irish Ambush Contrary to the urgent desire of the German government, troops were not sent in time for the protection of the sent in time for the protection of the

result of the plebiscite were received too late for comment in the afternoon newspapers.

ACCEPTED WAGE CUT.

Boston, Mass., March 21. — The the event, the colors of the German republic and of Prussia being hoisted. "Even if, according to reports, our success in one or two districts has Boston, Mass., March 21. — The Soston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad, a narrow-gauge line, was averted today when the men accept-ed; a wage cut of about 52 cents a beavily fired on from both sides as it policemen wounded.

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FATAL CAR CRASH ON BRIDGE CAUSED BY BROKEN AXLE

Defect Made Trailer Leave the Tracks.

PASSENGERS TESTIFY

street trailer caused the accident on the Gerrard street bridge on March 4th last, resulting in the death of John J. Evans, was established at the inquest which concluded last

The following verdict was brough are of the opinion that John J. Evans came to his death while traveling on a trailer be-longing to the Toronto Street Railway Company on Gerrard st., on March 4, 1921, and we are of the opinion that, from the evidence received, the accident was caused by the breaking of a defective axle, causing the derail-ment of the trailer."

The accident happened about 5.30 p.m. on March 4, as a loaded Queen street car was proceeding over the Gerrard street bridge when the trailer ran off the track and was struck by a westbound car, injuring about twenty people and causing the death of Evans. Some weight was attached to the fact that the crushed stone near the sce was thought to be the cause of the de-railment but according to the evidence given it was proved that the broken axle would lift the north corner of the car so that it would leave the rails. Major Eric Armour appeared for the crown, while James Forrest represent-

ed the Street Railway Company.

Passengers' Evidence. The seven passengers who testified gave evidence which was much of the same nature. All thought that there in Business and Politics." Some came, Little Trade, Says Hoover.

Washington, March 21.—Trade vith
Russia is more a political than an
economical question as long as Russia
economical q dipping, but this was a usual oc-

Wm. Strong, 39 Stewart street, the shedman who coupled up the trailer to the car, stated that there was (Continued on Page 5, Column 2.)

CHAMBERLAIN NOW LEADER OF HOUSE

Also Chosen as eHad of the Unionist Party in House of Commons.

London, March 21.-J. Austen Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, was today elected leader of the house of commons and leader of the Unionist party in the house of His selection at a meeting of the

Unionist members of the house at the Carlton Club was unanimous. He succeeds Andrew Bonar Law, who retired because of ill-health.

Mr. Chamberlain was received with oud coalition cheers when he entered the house. His first duty as leader of the house was to answer "yes" to a question as to whether the govern-ment would hold and maintain a conrolling interest in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company after the issue of the new capital was completed.

In reply to congratulations on his new position, Mr. Chamberlain said he would do his best to maintain the traditions of the house.

Regarding the election

Chamberlain as leader of the Unionist party in the commons, it is a political

COUNCIL APPROVES RECOMMENDATION FOR WIDENING YONGE ST.

Asked the legal department to advise as to the proper procedure to clean up the charges of misconduct against officials of the police court.

Adopted the report of the works committee recommending the widening of Yonge street. Referred to the parks committee the question of buying land for a park in the vicinity of

Tyrrell avenue. Authorized the issue of \$4,000.-000 of bonds for harbor work. Authorized the placing of residential restrictions on Jones ave., between Gerrard and Myrtle sts.

Also Urges Immediate Co-ordination With the Old Grand Trunk.

TRACES FARMERS' RISE

The largest crowd that ever attended a Canadian Club luncheon swarmed into the King Edward yesterday to hear Hon. T. A. Crerar, M.P., leader of the Farmers' party in the federal field, discuss "The Western Farmer car was traveling about 20 miles per some day become the premier of Canada. With much of what Mr. Crera had to say his audience did not agree. The westerner was courteous in expressing his views, but he expressed them with commendable frankness and vigor. Once or twice when the great crowd visibly squirmed under a blunt statement Mr. Crerar smil-ingly said that he supposed they wanted him to express his real opinions, and the reply was considerable cheering and cries to go on. This was especially noticeable when said it was not the western grain growers, but the eastern manufacturers who had driven the farmers in-

to politics by their defeat of recipro-No Side on Crerar. In appearance, Mr. Crerar is tall and slight, with bright prominent eyes always on the alert, and a ready smile that often illumines an otherwise serious face. He has no "side." in a way is somewhat boyish, and yet bears himself with a quiet dignity

coming his position as a former min-(Continued on Page 10, Column 6.) IRISH "MINISTRY" TIGHTENS BOYCOTT

Will Issue Decree Naming Prohibited Articles From Ulster.

Belfast, March 21.—Tightening of the Ulster boycott until the British war of aggression on the Irish people ceases," was considered at a meeting farm was going ahead as usual, howof the available members of the Dail ever, and the spring ploughing would

Congress to Rush Thru

Fordney Tariff Measure

ney emergency tariff bill, precisely as vetoed by former President Wilson, will be rushed thru the congress as the first important legislation of the expressed the belief that the emergency measure would be in the hands of Mr. Harding within ten days after the convening of the first important legislation of the expressed the belief that the emergency measure would be in the hands of Mr. Harding within ten days after the convening of the expressed the belief that the emergency measure would be in the hands of Mr. Harding within ten days after the convening of the first important legislation of the extra session. Acceding to the request of President Harding for passage of a measure designed to help the farmers, asking for protection against foreign connectition. Republican measure in the first few days of the extra session, the house will take up and pass the anti-dumping bill, which committee turned about today and goods which must pay ad valorem voted to revive the Fordney bill after

day. The company had proposed a neared the junction, and the troops detrained and engaged the party.

| Cumber conteres from the senate of framing it will begin tomorrow. In Mullinahone, County Tipperary, one policeman shot dead, program, which it was explained, the last session,

Washington, March 21 .- The Ford- meets the approval of the president,

foreign competition, Republican mem- will be followed by the allied measura bers of the house ways and means fixing a United States valuation on

WHAT THE COUNCIL DID | Discussion Reserved for Bylaw Stage—Deputation Insists That No Time Be Lost Carrying Out the Improvements-Claim the Increase in Taxes Would Cover the Cost—Commissioner Ross States Financial Position.

Council yesterday adopted the report of the works and assessment commissioners recommending the widening of Yonge street to a width of 86 feet from the C. P. R. tracks northward to the city limits. There was no discussion when the matter came up in the report of the committee on works, but several members, including Controller Maguire, said they were allowing the report to go thru on the understanding that council would have full opportunity to discuss it when the by-law to authorize the work came before them. Since the proposal to widen the street was resurrected, some oppo-sition had developed, both inside and outside the city hall, and a statement was submitted by the finance commissioner setting forth the plea that owing to other burdens, the city was not in a position to go ahead with the

scheme at present. This opposition was partly overcome, however, by a deputation from North Toronto, one hundred strong, which filled the rear of the council chamber and the gallery. Spokesmen for the deputation insisted that no time be lost in getting Yonge street improvements started, including the

Following is the commissioner's

statement in part:
"Local improvement works authorno doubt, in search of information, sized in the years 1917-1918 totaled \$159,248. In 1919, \$3.468,510 was the (Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)

SOCIAL COMMISSION **CHAIRMAN RESIGNS**

Declares Mud-Slinging Campaign Was All the Thanks for Services.

W. H. Smith of "Inglenook" fame, chairman of the social service commission of Toronto, tendered his resignation at a meeting of the commisson held yesterday afternoon.

As only Messrs. W. H. Smith, R. S. Hudson and James Simpson were present at the meeting it was decided to defer acceptance of Chairman Smith's resignation until a meeting of all saven members of the commission of all saven members of the commission of all saven members of the commission ng of all seven members of the com-

mission could be arranged. The retiring chairman drew attention to the fact that for some years past he had devoted a major portion of his time to the work of the commission, had been on the job night and day, and in addition to giving the use of his car had contributed thousands of dollars to charitable purposes. The late "Inglenook" investigation, followed by a mud-slinging campaign, was all the thanks he had received. For the past month he had been urged by his family to resign and devote his time and energy to his own affairs, and he had at last decided to do so.

Missed Many Frolics. "Inglenook" was very quiet since the boys had been taken away from there, said Mr. Smith, and he missed the many frolics he used to have among his charges.

scon be under way. It was pointed out by the commission that, altho the 1913-14 unemployment problem was more acute than the problem existing today, the whole s'tuation had been handled by that lody at an approximate outlay of about \$40,000, whereas the present un-employment period handled by the city had already caused an expen-d ture of over \$600.000 and was still unsettled. It was contended that if the Toronto social service commission had been allowed to handle the present situation they could have saved the citizens hundreds of thousands of

HER ENGINES DISABLED. New York, March 21.-The freight steamer South Pole, which left here yesterday for London and Liverpool, reported today by radio that her en-

THE TIME FOR WATERPROOFS. A special sale of men's raincoats today at Dineen's offer remarkable values in new seasonable garments.

just received from the manufacturers Fine English Cravenette Coats