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Sir Sam Hughes Wakes Charges Of Incompetence and Favoritism

Scores Government's Administration of Militia Department—Liberals Protest Against Departure From Principles of Responsible Government

Ottawa, Aug. 13-The commons, today, got an unlovely glimpse of the administration of the militia department at home and overseas under the Borden government. The illumination came principally through a clash between Sir Sam Hughes, the ex-minister of militia who knows the inside workings of the :abinet, and R. B. Bennett, the director of the futile national service subterfuge. Sir Sam Hughes scored the incompetency of Sir George Perley, the overseas mmister, and stated that he secured and held his position because of "personal triendship" to the premier. If it was merely necessary to provide a place for Sir George Perley, declared the doughty ex-minister, "It should be possible to find

for him an ornamental position where he would not be a menace to the Sir Sam's fellow Conservative from Calgary rounded upon him. Sir Sam had confessed that he merely "tolerated" General Gwatkin, whom he alleged to be inefficient and had no more to do with the mobilization of the first contingent "than that page boy standing beside you, Mr. Speaker." Mr. Bennett was equally eloquent and equally acrimonious. He defended General Gwatkin

by attacking General Hughes. Gwatkin was a man, said the Calgary Conservative, who "got his work done without crying from the housetops and without travelling from ocean to ocean." When the history of the war was written, Gwatkin would get credit for much "now claimed by another man"—with a steely and direct glare at the ex-minister of militia. Gwatkin was not trotting around the streets "making every other man he met an honorary colonel."

It was a humiliating spectacle, necessitating more than once the interposition of the speaker of the house and at least one withdrawal from Mr. Bennett. During the row Liberals for the most part sat back and looked on but the opposition benches were vigorous and telling in their sharp and trenchant criticism of the measure before the house,—the bill providing for the appointment of an overseas minister of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parliamentary secretary of the department of militian (Mr. F. B. McCurdy) and a parl Halifax Herald," he said. "Does anyone



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SCHOOLS OPEN

Vacation Extended in Response To Public Demand.

Board of Trustees Meet

gaged in Patriotic Work Sug-this month and an important decision is expected to develop in this matter. gested - Special Meeting To Consider Salary Increases

That the public schools in the city are not to open until after Labor Day, on Tuesday, September 4, was the motion passed at a meeting of the St. John conscription would be enforced "without delay."

The answer was "Quite correct."

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That is a meeting of the St. John school board last evening in their rooms. The president, R. B. Emerson was in the chair and after the reading of the minutes by Miss Reid in the absence of the

should also cut down the male teachers consideration to the same amount. It was finally moved that the resignation be accepted and that the consideration In the matter of appointing a janitor for the new Bentley street schol, a letter of application was read from John Cooper. This was referred to the visiting committee for that school. In regard to the construction of this building, a letter of complaint was read from E. S. R. Murray, whose residence adjoins the Bentley street school, saying that, as a result of the site not being properly drained the water was backing up on his property so that his garden and tennis court had been ruined.

In financial matters, J. V. Russell, trustee, reported that the Millidgeville lot had been bought and paid for, the price being \$300. The \$20,000 for purchasing bonds had not yet been expended and still lay in the hands of the financial committee. In the matter of appointing a ja

Mr. Russell then brought up the matter of closing the schools until after. Labor Day. There was much popular feeling in favor of this, he said, and he thought it would be possible for the school board to take this action without consulting the government. The out consulting the government. The law fixes the vacation period at eight

weeks.

Mr. Green objected. He thought that there were too many holidays as it was, and that the children of St. John were not getting enough education. The agitation for longer holidays was not, in his opinion, on the part of the poorer classes. They were only too glad to get their children back to school and off the corrects. Dr. Bridges thought that the children

Dr. Bridges thought that the children of the city were not getting too many holidays. There were less in New Brunswick than in anywhere else. Mr. Russell then put his motion, which was passed, although Mr. Green maintained his objection to the last.

Mr. Russell reported on tenders for coal which he had received. He had not accepted these, but thought that it was a good opportunity for the board to

Pay in their winter's supply. There was some question as to whether the tenderer could be depended to fulfill the contract, regardless of the railway situation. It is understood the tenders are considerably below the market price. The whole matter was referred to a special erably below the market price. The whole matter was referred to a special meeting of the business committee, which met immediately upon the adjournment of the regular meeting.

The secretary's report, which was read and approved at the board meeting, showed an average of 81.92 of the pupils enrolled in daily attendance and a totl enrollment of 7,977 pupils in the city.

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om the room and out of the house to a neighbor's and the police were summoned. On investigation it was found that the malefactor had had considerable difficulty in gaining an entrance to the house. The house is built on a hill so that at the rear the second flat is on the ground. He first tried the door and then two windows and finally succeeds the ground of Admiral Jellicoe, the first sea lord, feels that he is in urgent need of rest. In

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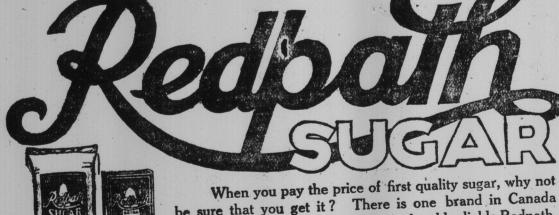
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